

# PROJECT FACTS

## Combating climate change through sustainable local resource management



- Project title : Global Environmental Facility Small Grants Programme (GEF SGP)
- Total budget : USD 4,828,518
- Project period : January 1992 – December 2010
- Implementing partner : Yayasan Bina Usaha Lingkungan
- Donor : Global Environment Facility (GEF), South-South Cooperation Special Unit, Ford Foundation
- Location : Nationwide

### Background

Communities across the developing world are on the frontlines of global efforts to protect the environment. They are often the first to feel the effects of environmental degradation and global warming, but they also play a leading role in finding local solutions for sustainable management of natural resources.

This is the core premise of the Global Environment Facility Small Grants Programme (GEF SGP), managed by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

The main constituents of this program are local communities, indigenous peoples and non-government organizations that are addressing environmental challenges with local actions.

GEF SGP Indonesia integrates the Millennium Development Goals into its design and implementation to better assist community efforts in sustainable ecosystem management.



*Support to organic farming is one example of the small grants programme in action*

### Objectives

By promoting small grants to community stakeholders to promote their work to protect the environment, GEF SGP in Indonesia ensures:

- Community empowerment
- Environmental protection through local knowledge
- Communication with policy-makers helping to strengthen national efforts to promote sustainable development.

### Results

GEF SGP has provided grants to support innovative ideas that are helping to reduce poverty while promoting environmental protection across Indonesia.

Examples include:

- Production of video proposals to reach out to isolated communities and establish base line community and environmental data.
- Support for community reconstruction and rehabilitation approaches in Aceh, Yogyakarta and Central Java following the December 2004 tsunami and the May 2006 earthquake.
- Support for reduced greenhouse gas emissions through community micro-hydro initiatives. In addition to generating electricity, the micro-hydro projects help to conserve watershed biodiversity, promote sustainable water use and reduce poverty.
- Support to the Orang Rimba of Makekal Hulu and the Toro Indigenous People of Kulawi to implement collaborative management agreements with National Parks' authorities in the protected forest areas in Bukit Dua Belas, Jambi and Lore Lindu, Central Sulawesi. The work of these communities now serves as a model for other communities seeking collaborative management agreements with government authorities.
- Helping the communities of Les and Serangan in Bali to establish sustainable fishing practices and coral gardens for trade.

Donor:



## GEF SGP in Brief

The Global Environment Facility Small Grants Programme has supported over 10,000 projects in over 100 countries helping communities to take action to protect biodiversity, reverse land degradation, and promote the use of renewable energy.

- In Indonesia, the GEF Small Grants Programme has disbursed USD 4.8 million through 260 community projects across the country since 1994.
- Communities have successfully raised co-financing to scale up their activities and ensure sustainable approaches to environmental conservation.
- Small grants range from USD 2,000 to 50,000 with support lasting from 2 to 24 months. The average grant is valued at USD 25,000.



Local level initiatives through the Small Grants Programme can lead to big results.

More information on the GEF-SGP may be obtained directly from the website: <http://sgp.undp.org>; [www.sgp-indonesia.org](http://www.sgp-indonesia.org); or via email: [info@sgp-indonesia.org](mailto:info@sgp-indonesia.org)

GEF SGP has provided support to grass-roots conservation movements, including mitigating the effects of climate change, halting land degradation and reducing pollution in both domestic and international waters. Successful grants in Indonesia have funded:

- Energy efficient cooking methods;
- Organic waste composting;
- Solar power development;
- Micro-hydro power development;
- Support for rural eco-tourism;
- Integrated organic farming;
- Community-based coral reef conservation.

## Global Environment Facility Small Grants Programme Project Sites



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