

Consideration and Decision by the SRC on the Feedback Received during the Public Consultation on the Enquiry Draft

General Comments

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a	Public awareness	MENGO	<p>I believe, on behalf of young people, who are the people of the future and for sustainability,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MTCC have the social responsibility to these generations and general public to inform us on the application of certifications on natural forest and forest management. • Support EE NGOs in providing all/some of the suggested programmes. Thank you. <p>Public awareness via Forest Heritage Education Programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For NGOs in environment • For Public in urban or rural • For young generations from pre-school - secondary level • For youth involvement in reforestation/indigenous impact. • social media on natural forest, species and activities • Certifications and countries (list) interested/importing our forest trees/products • importance of forest and its bio diversities • how to get involved in forest activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting noted the comment by MENGO and agreed that young people should be increasingly engaged as they are our future in promoting and implementing our national sustainability agenda.
b	Small scale forest plantation	MWIA	<p>The MC&I did not take into consideration the scale forest plantation – small scale. It will be too burdensome for operator to comply with the requirements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The provision for small-scale plantation has been included in various parts in the standard (e.g. ... appropriate to the “scale and intensity of forest management operations” ...). • The Meeting noted that small-scale plantations could undertake Group Certification to obtain ‘economy of scale’.
c	All verifiers	NREB	<p>Amend EIA report to “EIA Terms and Approval Conditions”</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Hon enquired on the need to change the EIA report as the EIA terms and conditions approval should have been incorporated in the EIA Report.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Tessy explained that under the NREB, the usual term used in official documents are the “EIA Terms and Approval Conditions” • Mr. Marsden further explained that the “EIA report” and “EIA Terms and Approval Conditions” are separate documents and the majority of the licence document will attach only the “EIA Terms and Approval Conditions” • The Meeting agreed with the proposal to change “EIA Terms and Conditions Approval” for most of the “EIA Report” for Sarawak.
d	Manual, Procedures and Guidelines for Sustainable Forest Management Certification (MPGSFMC)	STA	The MPGSFMC or so-called “The Green Book” consists of twelve (12) different manual, procedures and guidelines. It has been quoted as a verifier without reference to any particular manual, procedures or guidelines in indicators 3.3.1, 5.1.2, 5.3.1, 5.5.1, 6.2.1, 6.2.2, 6.3.2, 6.5.1, 6.5.2, 6.5.3, 6.5.4, 8.1.1 and 9.1.1. Therefore, to avoid confusion/misinterpretation, the specific manual or procedures or guidelines (as contained in the MPGSFMC) that should be quoted on a verifier for the indicator must be clearly stated.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting noted the agreement of all representatives from Sarawak to list the “Manual Procedures and Guidelines for Sustainable Forest Management Certification (MPGSFMC)” as a Verifier under Indicator 1.1.1 only. However, for other Indicators, the relevant procedure/guidelines under the MPGSFMC will be listed in sub-bullet points.
		Ta Ann	Deletion of Manual, Procedures and Guidelines for sustainable forest Management Certification as verifier for Sarawak. This will make it difficult for the state agencies to make necessary amendment for each guideline when required. Small amendment on a guideline will result in revision of the whole book which is not practical while nobody knows how many guidelines will be added into the compilation which may be relevant or not relevant to the Criteria and Indicators.	
e	Tree Planting Plan & License for Planted Forest documents	Ta Ann	Under most of the verifiers for common indicators for NF & FP and also specifically for FP, the official document “Tree Planting Plan”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Tessy explained that the proposed “Tree Planting Plan” document is an attachment in “License for Planted Forest” and proposed that only

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			<p>for forest plantations/LPF holders is not cited. Likewise, for the document "License for Planted Forest".</p> <p>Need to consider to include "Tree Planting Plan" as verifiers in some of the most relevant indicators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Tree Planting Plan" for Indicators 6.9.1 & 7.1.1 • "License for Planted Forest" for Indicator 2.2.1 	<p>"License for Planted Forest" is included in the Standard.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed with the proposal by Ms. Tessy to include "License for Planted Forest" for forest plantations for Indicator 6.9.1 and Indicator 2.2.1
f	Internal Audit	STA	<p>Internal audit, management review and action plan should be internal processes carried out by the FMU owner based on her capabilities and resources available and at the discretion of the FMU management. Therefore, requirement of its implementation as indicated in Appendix A should be simplified and reduced in scope and that the negative results arising from the internal audit and management review should not be used as a yard-stick for the issue of non-conformity report during certification audits.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Marsden pointed out that the requirements listed in Appendix A should only be a guideline and not an interpretation, as it will give an impression that all the requirements listed in the Appendix is a mandatory requirement. • The Meeting noted the feedback provided by PEFC that the requirements listed in the PEFC SFM Benchmark are prepared in a way to comply with International requirements for management system certification, meaning that the requirements listed in the Appendix A are mandatory requirements. • Mr. Marsden specified his concern specifically on item 1.2 c) of Appendix A on the impartiality of auditors. He explained that the certification body (CB) could interpret this requirement as the FMU will need a third-party auditor to conduct the internal audit to ensure impartiality. • The Meeting noted the concern and agreed that Appendix A should not require a third-party auditor to conduct an internal audit. • After further deliberation, the Meeting agreed that Appendix A will be maintained and will remain as an interpretation. The Meeting also noted that PEFC will bring up the matter on how detailed an entity should implement the requirements concerning

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				internal audits and reviews, in the next PEFC Working Group meeting.
g	EIA	Yayasan Hasanah	To remove all EIA requirement if it is not relevant or required for PRF in Peninsular State/FMU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the requirement for EIA in the standard as it is still relevant in the context of forest management and operations.
h	General comments	MNS	<p>a) MNS would suggest to further clarify the federal, state laws and policies/guidelines into sub-categories targeting different major aspects, ie. Forestry; Environmental issues; rights of local communities/aborigines; employment; others etc. It is also important to mention the related laws, policies and/or any documents implemented resulted from international environmental treaties that Malaysia is one of the signatory parties.</p> <p>b) MNS would recommend to include a brief explanation on what are the differences of stated Federal laws, State laws, policies/guidelines in the different verifiers in the context of the document.</p> <p>c) MNS would advise to further improve 'Definition of Key Terms Used in MC&I for Forest Management Certification' section.</p> <p>d) MNS would like to urge to include public consultation to EIA report and important stakeholders are properly consulted in the process.</p> <p>e) MNS would suggest to hire independent auditors with required experiences and certification for internal audit targeting different criteria as listed in the document.</p>	<p>a) The Meeting agreed that there is no need to further sub-categorise the list of verifiers as proposed.</p> <p>b) The Meeting agreed that it will be too burdensome to provide the brief explanation on the differences and that it is not necessary to do so.</p> <p>c) The Meeting noted that there are no proposals on the improvement suggested by MNS and agreed that the definitions provided under "Definition of Key Terms" section are already adequate.</p> <p>d) The Meeting noted that public consultation is a requirement under Schedule 2 of the "Environmental Quality (Prescribed Activities) (Environmental Impact Assessment) Order 2015."</p> <p>e) The Meeting noted and agreed that the requirement for internal audits to ensure good organisational management does not mean the organisation need to hire independent auditors as per the discussion in item f.</p>

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i	Cut-off date 31 December 2010	Sapulut Forest Development	<p>The Sustainable Forest Management Licence Agreement (SFMLA) when promulgated in 1997 has already satisfied the Criterion 6.11 for Sabah Forestry context. The cut-off date i.e. 31 December 2010 is concerned with conversions or execution of planting. In the local context (tropical forest but not temperate), resources and knowledge, skill and abilities as well as research on the species and the variety, thereof are lacking. The cut-off date prejudices the tropical forest company, which are in developing countries, as compared to those temperate tree plantation entities in developed countries, which have a longer period of establishment, less species diversity, more research going into few species. The cut-off date affects them less than it affects us.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed that as a PEFC endorsed scheme, the stipulation of the cut-off date has to be maintained as it is a requirement under PEFC SFM Benchmark. • The Meeting was informed that PEFC has set up a permanent Working Group to continue discussion on this matter.
j	Standard unchanged since 1999	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	<p><u>Standard formulation, review and audit procedure unchanged since 1999</u></p> <p>The Standard formulated twenty years ago is fundamentally flawed for catering predominantly to Peninsular Malaysia circumstances and its FMU model, and audaciously imposed the same expectations onto Sarawak. The recognition by FSC and PEFC of the relevance for a regional or Sub-national standard was never given a chance as any suggestion to review the Standard to respond to Sarawak's conditions were met by NGOs' suspicion of attempt by the timber industry to adulterate the Standard, and "tyranny of the majority" built in the SRC membership which required consensus or unanimity for any revision. Up until recently, Sarawak's frustration with the Standard and the impossibility for a fair review was moot as there was precisely only one FMU which volunteered under duress to undergo FMC against MC&I.</p> <p><u>Question:</u> As Sarawak now represents the largest forest area with the highest FMU membership within MTCS, will MTCC provide Sarawak the enabling condition to formulate/review its regional standard to</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since the operation of the MTCS in 2001, the various standards used have been subjected to periodic review through public consultations as well as scrutiny by the multi-stakeholder Standards Review Committee (SRC). In this connection, the MC&I for natural forest have been revised three times and the MC&I for forest plantations twice. The Meeting agreed that 15-member SRC comprising equal number of members from Sabah, Sarawak and Peninsular Malaysia had done their level best to ensure the standards formulated are relevant and respond to the unique conditions of the three regions. • The Meeting noted that the increasing number of FMUs certified under the MTCS in Sabah and Sarawak is proof that the standard is applicable and has sufficiently addressed the conditions in the three regions.

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			<p>cater for the differences between Sarawak and Peninsular Malaysia?</p> <p>Though beyond the scope of this public consultation on the Enquiry Draft, this occasion is unfortunately the only chance for Sarawak stakeholders to reflect on the probability for FMC based on the current Standard.</p>	
k	Double standard	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	<p><u>Double Standard: Peninsular FMUs and Forest Managers are public institutions with perpetual tenure and almost all research, manpower & training, socio-economic programmes and infrastructure development/maintenance are paid by public funding</u></p> <p>Selected indicators which are moot for PM but critical in Sarawak include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indicator 4.1.1-Training and retraining, local infrastructure, facilities and socio-economic programmes... • Criterion 7.1- Management plan prepared, written and approved.... (For the State FMU by the State Forest Department) • Indicator 7.2.2- New scientific and technical information.... • Indicator 5.1.1 – Investment and reinvestments for administration, protection, research, human resource development.... <p>There is no provision for a “Economic Principle” in MC&I for feasibility of private companies with short and uncertain tenure to invest in R&D, assess and share the value of carbon trade and/or ecosystem services etc. In fact, to be a sustainable FMU at all.</p> <p>On the other hand, State Forest Departments operating with budget allocation do not need to be economically viable. Quote: “Maintain FSC certification of Deramarkot at all cost”.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting was in agreement that the multi-stakeholder and equal membership in the SRC ensure that the interest of the three regions are taking into account and the standard is applicable to all three regions. • The Meeting noted that the specific comments raised were related to operational matters which had to be fulfilled regardless of the size of the FMU, albeit at a different scale, in order to ensure the sustainability of the managed forest resources covering social, economic and environmental aspects. • The matter related to MGBFMC has been addressed under item f above.

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			<p>Furthermore, the audit of PM FMUs may be dubious when an auditor has to consult the Forest Department on matters with respect to its forest management plan and prescriptions.</p> <p><u>Question:</u> Can MTCS accept Sarawak’s interpretation of MC&I FMC and a schedule of “phased escalation of compliance” against the above indicators among others, given that a new Forest Policy is in the making and that “The Green Book-Manuals, Procedures and Guidelines for Forest Management Certification in Sarawak (Natural Forest) 2019” had just been printed?</p> <p>The Green Book (MPGFMC) is manifested as verifier for 16 indicators in the current draft!</p>	
I	Audit assessment consistency	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	<p><u>Audit procedure and consistency of assessment</u></p> <p>Anticipating “NO” for an answer to the question above. Quote: “We just audit against the Standard”.</p> <p><u>Question:</u></p> <p>i) Given that there is only one standard and no discretion with phased escalation of compliance against MC&I for ALL FMUs, how do you ensure that all auditors are adequately accredited (given the number of occasions, time and cost for stakeholder consultations during the audit period at the cost of certifier), and that a NCR raised against ONE FMU shall also be raised against ALL similar offenders and vice versa, by the same Certification Body, and among certification bodies.</p> <p>ii) Is it fair to claim that MTCS in fact practised a discretionary phased escalation of compliance against MC&I between FMUs?</p> <p>iii) Pragmatically, would MTCC review the audit procedure to formulate a transparent system for the “phased escalation of compliance” to cater for the fledgling FMUs in Sarawak?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the questions raised are not on matters regarding the standard but procedural in nature. Audit procedures and consistency in assessment are governed under the accreditation process and monitored by STANDARDS MALAYSIA as the Accreditation Body (AB) for all certification bodies (CBs). MTCC as the National Governing Body will continue to undertake consultations/ interactions with AB and CBs to ensure continuous improvement and consistency in assessment.

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m	MC&I Scope and Audit Procedure	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	<p><u>MC&I FMC scope and audit procedure</u></p> <p>Cognizant of Criterion 6.12 on 31st December 2010, work-in-progress by FSC/WWF on "New Generation Plantations", and aspirations to achieve Sustainable Development goals:</p> <p>Question(s):</p> <p>i) How would NGOs in SRC reconcile Criterion 6.12 with Criterion 5.5/Indicator 5.5.2?</p> <p>ii) How would MC&I FMC cater for combined audit over a landscape or SDU, NF and FP by same/different manager, group certification including FP small holders to save costs and time?</p> <p>iii) Would MC&I FMC also cater for MSPO certification within FP and OP small holders?</p> <p>iv) Given the auditor capacity crunch, number of FMUs, amount of time for travelling to each FMU in Sarawak, how would MTCS leverage ICT and commitment to digital economy to modernise the audit procedure to save time and costs for FMC?</p>	<p>i)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting noted that the requirements under Indicator 5.5.2 and Criterion 6.12 are different. Indicator 5.5.2 is a requirement to enhance the value of existing forest services while Criterion 6.12 is the requirement for the afforestation of ecologically important non-forest area. • Dr. Hon shared that the "new generation plantations" is a new and different approach to plantation management which allows the afforestation of a non-forest area if there is a proven benefit to the surrounding communities. He was of the view that such restriction under Criterion 6.12 would affect the new generation plantation initiatives. <p>ii) A combined audit for small forest plantations can be undertaken under group certification.</p> <p>iii) MC&I does not cover MSPO certification.</p> <p>iv) The Meeting agreed on the comment made on need for innovation and use of ICT to modernise audit procedure, in particular on aspects that would be audited remotely. MTCC will be working closely with PEFC and the certification bodies to explore this possibility.</p>
n	Repeated / Cross referenced criteria & indicators	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	<p><u>Rationalise and minimise "Repeated/Cross referenced" Criteria and Indicators</u></p> <p>MC&I (NF) inherited 97 indicators from FSC Standard which contained a large number of repetitions and cross-reference under different Principles. Example Indicator 5.3.1 and Indicator 6.5.2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This matter has been raised before. The Meeting was of the view repetitions at times are needed to look at different aspect of the same requirement that is relevant under a different Criterion.

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			<p><u>Questions:</u> Would MTCS consider to reduce the number of replicated/cross referenced indicators with identical verifier.</p>	
o	Format and Presentations	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	<p><u>Suggestions:</u> a) Present NF and FP "Side by side" in landscape layout for easy comparison/distinction b) Common verifier affecting three regions Common verifiers under each indicator to be manifested only once to save space, improve user friendliness and be consistent.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting considered the suggestion made but agreed on the layout of the Standard as proposed by the Secretariat. The Meeting viewed the portrait format as space saving, more user friendly in terms of information flow and ease of handling the document. Wherever possible, common verifiers have been combined for the three regions.
p	"Two-tier Standard Formulation/Review System"	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	Based on an agreed MC&I structural framework, each region would conduct its own specific C&I within a SRC represented by two members from each stakeholder group to overcome the problem of "consensus" determined by other stakeholders who may be indifferent to regional problems.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting was in agreement that the current framework and standard setting procedures have been effective in addressing the specific requirements of the three regions while maintaining uniformity at the national level.
q	Structural Organisation for P&C	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	<p>Stage 1 could be assessed online? Costs of travelling to view documentation only? Structural Organisation of P&C will also contribute to productivity and cost efficiency. Logical hierarchy of P&C: P2-P6-P7-P9 as Stage 1 assessment online (for example).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed that with advancement made in technology, Stage 1 audit to be conducted online is a possibility and will be further explored by the relevant parties.
r	Audit fee structure and schedule of rates	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	<p>Insufficient information on audit man-day for NF, FP and NF/FP Stage 1, Stage 2, Surveillance and Recertification, group and small holder fee structure beside travelling. Stakeholder consultation with government agencies should not be billed to certifier as it should be part of the CB/auditor accreditation process.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The audit duration for bodies operating forest management certification for both natural forest and forest plantations have been pre-determined based on the size and location of the FMUs, through a guidance issued by STANDARDS MALAYSIA. The guidance is available on the website of STANDARDS MALAYSIA and MTCC. Consultations with stakeholders including relevant government agencies is a requirement under the standard.

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s	Principle 4: Community Relations and Workers' Rights	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	The community component should be addressed in P3 and P4 exclusively for Workers' Rights. <i>Move Criterion 4.1 and Criterion 4.4 to P3?</i> <i>Rename P3 Indigenous Peoples' Rights and Community Relations?</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This matter was raised by the proponent earlier and a decision had been made by the SRC to maintain the structure of the standard. The Meeting reaffirmed its decision to maintain the structure of the Standard.
t	Conflicts between laws and Principles	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	Sarawak is particularly well blessed in the diversity of conflicts between laws and Principles ranging from customs and land use, working conditions and holidays, to socio-economic and infrastructure development expectations against logistics and costs. Additional guidance by the government would be needed to interpret the state of art implementation of MPG SFMC among others, and to close some gaps in meeting the requirements of MC&I FMC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The relevant parties could utilise Criterion 1.4 to evaluate possible conflicts between the Standard and prevailing laws listed for the region, to identify gaps and follow-up actions for compliance.
u	Guidelines for the management of unauthorised settlements in duly constituted PFE	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	Notwithstanding "Conflict Resolution Guidelines for Sustainable Forest Management", the Guidelines for the management of unauthorised settlements in duly constituted PFE is an apparent gap which could impute forest managers for failing P1 to P10! <i>Criterion 2.2 and Criterion 6.10?</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the matter raised on the management of unauthorised settlements in duly constituted PFE is a concern and a gap that would need to be looked into by the relevant parties in Sarawak.
v	Words and structures used in the MC&I	Samling	Care needs to be taken with the words used in the text of the MC&I. It is not always a matter of semantics. It is a matter of a CB's auditor assuming that a word in a verifier or indicator should be interpreted with its meaning as in normal usage – and then looking for compliance with that meaning. For example: The word 'Protect' normally means to shelter, or safeguard [from harm], or secure, or defend etc etc. In normal usage it has a very clear meaning. The MTCC and the MC&I should not rely on the approach of: "Oh, well, the auditors never actually expect the FMU to actually protect a given site – so don't worry lah!". There is talk of continued improvement – usually applied to the forest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Marsden (from Samling) explained that there are some terms in the standard that could give a different meaning depending on the person interpreting it which could create misunderstanding especially with the auditors. He further proposed that some terms should be changed or replaced with another word. Dr. Gumal enquired whether there is a need to redefine words in a legal manner, considering the stage of the deliberation in finalising the draft standard.

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			<p>management. But we should also take recognition that audit standards are also required to continually improve. This will mean that one day, perhaps tomorrow? an auditor will come along and say: "Hey, you are not in compliance as you are not actually protecting this site. You may have surveyed it and mapped it and informed the museum etc etc - and that's all very good – BUT you are still not actually protecting – as in safeguarding [from harm], securing, or defending - the site as is required by the MC&I against which I am now auditing your FMU. And I must raise a NCR because of that."</p> <p>Similarly, with the word Provisions (as used in Indicators 4.3.1 & 4.3.2). Its use implies that something must be 'supplied' – usually, but not always, material. But in these two indicators there is – or should be - no requirement for the management to provide anything. But again – as with 'Protected' - if the auditor goes with the accepted, normal meaning of the word 'Provisions' and asks: "Hey, what are you providing for the workers... [in the context of these two indicators] ...?" And when the answer is "Nothing" then again, the auditor is justified in raising an NCR.</p> <p>The MTCC/SRC should not shelter behind the fact that something – the wording for example - has never been a problem to date. Let's progress and improve and act to remove potential problems once they are identified – especially when, as in this case, it is, or should be, easy to do.</p> <p>"Logging" is used in the MC&I for NF [e.g. 6.5.2] - but not consistently so, but for FP "harvesting" is used. Except of course where it is a part of a title, it is suggested that "harvesting" should be used throughout the MC&I. After all, the sustainable management of the NF requires the regular harvesting of a portion of the forest's annual increment – so why not use the correct description of the management process? Furthermore, the</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Hon added that the respective legal documents are listed in the verifiers would be sufficient as reference. • The Meeting noted that certain terms will be clarified during trainings or briefings with the CBs. The Meeting agreed to deliberate specific proposals under the specific comments under items 64 and 66. • The Meeting also noted that the term 'logging' does not appear in the standard except in the title or reference to the various documents. • The Meeting agreed to maintain the word "uniqueness." • The Meeting noted that the term FMP is a generic term that can be used to apply to both natural and plantation forests as elaborated in the section on 'Use of the Standard'.

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			<p>word "Logging" now has bad, emotive connotations & its use is best avoided.</p> <p>"Uniqueness" – occurs more than once. Unique means one of a kind. There are no degrees of uniqueness. It is either unique or it is not. Need to find another word - perhaps.... special attributes...</p> <p>Also need a strong edit to ensure that both FMP and FPMP are used correctly throughout. In more than one case 'FPMP' has been omitted in an Indicator or Verifier that applies to both NF & FP.</p>	
w	Guidelines	Samling	<p>Guidelines: I suggest that there is a need consider the logic of including a guideline as a verifier. Guidelines are just that – only a guide. The choice as to whether or not to follow the guideline is that of the FMU's management. Given this freedom to choose, including a guideline as a verifier serves only to raise a point for argument with the auditors.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some of the listed guidelines are compulsory requirements in forest management, and hence the need to include them in the standard.
x	ISO Requirement	Samling	<p>Any ISO requirements should surely refer only to & only impose on the CBs and MTCC? These requirements should not in any way be inflicted on the content & structure of the MC&I itself.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to the institutional arrangement of the MTCS, certain ISO requirements need to be reflected in the standard to fulfil the conditions for endorsement and accreditation.
y	General comments	WWF Malaysia	<p>Malaysia still faces challenges to protect its tiger population with a continued declining of the Malayan tiger population. Poaching and habitat fragmentation remain as the key threats to the declining of this critically endangered species. Malaysia was estimated to have 3,000 tigers back in the 1950's. However, the recent evidence suggests that the tiger population has declined at alarming rate to as low as fewer than 200 tigers within the CFS landscape based on the findings from the 1st National Tiger Survey that was carried out from 2016-2018.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Gumal was of the view that the requirements in the standard are sufficient to achieve the aims of CA TS. Dr. Hon shared that the concern was raised due to insufficient efforts in increasing tiger population on the ground. He further explained that there is a need for clearer emphasis on tiger population and conservation in the standard and that the certified FMUs have important role in protecting existing wild tiger in the certified areas.

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			<p>To address the issues of critical decline of tiger numbers, it is suggested that Conservation Assured Tiger Standards (CA TS), a global standards for effective management of tigers is included as verifier in one of the indicators (specific comments are included in the table below) for areas which are within the tiger landscapes.</p> <p>Presumably the current verifiers are not robust enough to detect the decline of tiger populations and remedial actions are needed to reverse the decline. A refiner set of effective standards are needed for site level implementation. Hence, CA TS assessment can be a useful, additional verifier that auditors can refer to for areas that registered under CA TS in Peninsular Malaysia.</p> <p>On terminology, there should be a consistency on using the term HCV and not HCVF</p> <p>Would appreciate a public sharing of all comments received as well as the response to the comments.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Sagoli opined that the main issue is enforcement. Forestry department does not have the authority to combat poachers and that PERHILITAN has no man power to control poachers effectively. He further opined that Indigenous people could help to combat poachers and illegal loggers. • The Meeting noted that implementation of CA TS is under the purview of the Department of Wildlife and National Parks (PERHILITAN) and agreed to continue the discussion under specific comments under item 130. • The Meeting agreed that the term HCV under Indicator 9.4.1 would be amended accordingly and that all responses to the comments would be made publicly available.
z	Appendix A	<p>Independent Consultant</p> <p>Ta Ann</p>	<p>Suggest you title this as “Guidance” rather than Interpretation</p> <p><u>Propose:</u> Word on “interpretation” should be changed to “guideline” Deletion on Criterion 7.2, Indicator 7.2.1 & 7.2.2 from the column “Requirement”</p> <p><u>Reason:</u> 1. To provide clarity and flexibility 2. Appendix A is specifically on “Internal Audits, Management Review and Action Plan” – <u>not for review of FMP.</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed that all comments regarding “Appendix A” had been adequately dealt with under item f.

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			Remove mis-interpretation by CBs / Auditors on the requirement for FMU holders to do periodic revision of FMP as per Appendix A.	
		Zedtee Sdn Bhd	On 2.1.c: Measurement results and audit results? Fact of audit with good or bad results should suffice for objective of continual improvement. CB need to know fact of audit or result of audit? Self-incrimination?	
		Samling	<u>Propose:</u> Delete <u>Reason:</u> Total confusion. It does not come across as an "interpretation". The use of the word "shall" throughout clearly shows that the procedure is mandatory. But it should not be a mandatory procedure against which the CB's auditors will audit & may raise NCRs. The Indicator 8.1.3 (with the deletion) is quite clear & sufficient for purpose. It is suggested that MTCC formulate Appendix A into a guideline that is issued as a separate document.	

Specific Comments

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1	Whole document	Johor FD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Detailed out which section, article or paragraph (be specific). 2. EQA Act & Environment Protection (Prescribed Activities) Environment Impact Assessment Order 2015 - deleted 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Verifiers not mentioned specific section 2. Mitigation measures under SFM is more than enough to comply the Environment Protection Act (2015) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Meeting maintained the decision made at the First Meeting of SRC to list the entire legal document as a verifier without mentioning the specific section. 2. Following the explanation given by the representative from the Department of Environment, the Meeting decided that the EQA be maintained as a verifier.
2	Criterion 1.1	MNS	Addition: policies.	The existing countries' legislative nature is being covered inadequately.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting noted that "policies" has been included in Indicator 1.1.1 and all relevant policies listed out under the said Indicator, as adequate.
3	Indicator 1.1.1	Zedtee Sdn Bhd		<p>"Manual, Procedures and Guidelines for SFMC" (MPGSFMC) legalistically should not be a verifier. Not a law, regulation or policy.</p> <p>STLVS? Sabah did not indicate TLAS as verifier.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decision on this matter has been made under item d in Table 2.
4	Verifier 1.1.1 (Peninsula)	WWF Malaysia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Suggestion for additional verifier under State Laws: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Terengganu State Parks Enactment, 2017 ii. State Structure Plans, District Local Plans and Special Area Plans as an additional verifier under State requirements 2. Under Policies/Guidelines "Suggestion to change: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. National Physical Plan-2, 2010 to "National Physical Plan-3, 2015 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Terengganu has its own state parks enactment. ii. The State Structure Plans, District Local Plans and Special Area Plans are statutory plans which are prepared under provisions in the Town and Country Planning Act, 1976. As these plans are gazetted, it is good if they are included as one of the verifiers. 2. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. "Terengganu State Park Enactment" included as a verifier. ii. The Meeting noted that the State Structure Plan (SSP), District Local Plan (DLP) and/or Special Area Plan (SAP) are not applicable to PRF areas. Considering that SSP, DLP and SAP were formulated according to the plans structured in the National Physical Plan (NPP), the Meeting agreed that the listing of NPP-3 would be adequate.

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			<p>or any the most current National Physical Plan which is in force".</p> <p>ii. National Tiger Conservation Action Plan 2008-2020 to "National Tiger Conservation Action Plan 2008-2020 or the most updated version of this plan".</p> <p>3. Under Policies/Guidelines, suggestion to add "Central Forest Spine Masterplan" as an additional verifier</p>	<p>i. The National Physical Plan is reviewed every 5 years in tandem with the Malaysia Plans. Thus, it is good to state that the most current National Physical Plan which is in force needs to be used as a verifier.</p> <p>ii. The National Tiger Conservation Action Plan 2008-2020 ends in year 2020. This plan would most probably be reviewed and updated. As such the verifier should state that the most updated version of the plan should be used as the verifier.</p> <p>3. The Central Forest Spine Masterplan is one of the verifiers that should be used to ensure that natural forest fragmentation does not occur and to ensure that ecological linkages are created and managed effectively</p>	<p>2.</p> <p>i. National Physical Plan-2 updated to National Physical Plan-3, 2015.</p> <p>ii. To address the issue of being "outdated", the Meeting agreed to amend the Verifier as "National Tiger Conservation Action Plan" without making any reference to the duration of the plan.</p> <p>3. "Central Forest Spine Master Plan" included as a sub-bullet point under the National Physical Plan-3.</p>
5	Verifier 1.1.1 (Peninsula)	JPSM	<p>1. Gugurkan perkataan "including relevant decision of the Civil Courts"</p> <p>2. Pinda "Anti-Corruption Act 1997" dengan "Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission Act 2009"</p> <p>3. Pinda "National Physical Plan-2, 2010" kepada "National Physical Plan-3, 2015"</p>	<p>1. Cadangan digugurkan adalah kerana memadaai ditulis "Aboriginal Peoples Act 1954" sebagai keseragaman bagi semua Akta.</p> <p>2. Cadangan dibuat pindaan kerana MACC Act 2009 adalah Akta terkini yang digunakan.</p> <p>3. Cadangan dibuat pindaan kerana "National Physical Plan-3, 2015" adalah polisi terkini yang digunakan.</p>	<p>1. The Meeting noted the concern of JPSM but agreed that the provision "including the relevant decision of the Civil Courts" after the Aboriginal Peoples Act 1954 is relevant and should be maintained.</p> <p>2. Amended "Anti-Corruption Act 1997" as "Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission Act 2009."</p> <p>3. This Verifier has been updated under item 4.</p>
6	Verifier 1.1.1 (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	<p>Amend:</p> <p>1. Enakmen-enakmen Hutan <u>Perhutanan</u> Negeri</p>	<p>1. Jabatan Perhutanan Negeri menerima-pakai APN sebagai Enakmen Perhutanan Negara 1984</p>	<p>1. Verifier amended as "Enakmen-enakmen <u>Perhutanan</u> Negeri".</p>

APPENDIX 1

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			2. Enakmen Taman Negara (Terengganu, <u>1939</u>) Add: 3. Enakmen Taman Negeri Terengganu 2017	2. Enakmen Taman Negeri Terengganu 2017 telah berkuat kuasa 1 Mac 2018	2. Verifier amended as "Enakmen Taman Negara (Terengganu, <u>1939</u>). For consistency, the Meeting also amended the Verifier related to Kelantan as: Enakmen Taman Negara (Kelantan) <u>1939</u> 3. Added "Enakmen Taman Negeri Terengganu 2017" as a new verifier.
7	Verifier 1.1.1 (Sabah)	MNS	Amendment: 'actions plans for wildlife' shall be further improved by listing all the relevant wildlife actions plans.	Inconsistency.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recalling the decision made at the Fourth SRC Meeting and considering that most of the action plans related to wildlife are currently undergoing revision, the Meeting agreed to maintain the generic "Action plans for wildlife" as a verifier.
8	Verifier 1.1.1 (Sarawak)	FORUM	Natural Resources and Environment Ordinance 1993 instead of 1958		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting was informed that the normal practice for statutory citation is to cite the primary legislation and not the amendments. If amendment is cited without the primary legislation, it would mean that the citation only refers to the amended legislation and not the rest of the primary legislation. The Meeting agreed with the proposal by Ms. Tessy to amend the ordinance as "Natural Resources and Environment Ordinance 1958 (Cap. 84) (<u>1958 edition</u>)" as that is the original name of the document.
9	Verifier 1.1.1 (Sarawak)	NREB	Amend the year of NREB from 1958 to 1993		
10	Verifier 1.1.1 (Sarawak)	Independent Consultant	Bottom P2. Should be "Natural Resources Ord" (i.e. no Environment)	Pls double check	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verifier amended as "Natural Resources and Environment Ordinance 1958 (Cap. 84) (<u>1958 edition</u>)" following decision made under item 8 above.

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11	Verifier 1.1.1 (Sarawak)	SADIA	Include "Sarawak Land Amendment Code 2018"	The Land Code has been passed by DUN Sarawak and a matter of time for gazette and implemented.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier as "Land Code, 1958 (Cap. 81)" as per decision made under item 8.
12	Verifier 1.1.1 (Sarawak)	Sarawak State AG	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Anti-corruption Act 1997 – (repealed) Land Surveyor Ordinance 2001 (Cap 40) All customary laws.... the Native Courts Rules 1993 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> New legislation, MACC [Act 694] with effect force 1 Jan 2009 For matter of genuine and maps verification Repetition to item no.8 and no.9. Item no.8 and no.9 already cater and recognised all the adat. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Verifier amended as "Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission Act 2009". "Land Surveyors Ordinance 2001 (Cap 40)" included as a new verifier. Noting the repetition in the list of verifiers, the Meeting agreed to simplify the verifier "All customary laws / <i>adat</i> codified under the Native Customs (Declaration) Ordinance, 1996 (Cap. 22) and any other <i>adat</i> recognised and enforceable by the Native Courts under the Native Courts Ordinance, 1992 and the Native Courts Rules, 1993" and maintain similar verifiers in bullet points.
13	Verifier 1.1.1 (Sarawak)	Samling	Delete all guidelines & any reference to them.	See above – (Item w)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decision on this matter has been made under item w.
14	Verifier 1.1.1 (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This order "Natural Resources and Environment (Fire Danger Rating System) Order, 2004" should be for Forest Plantation (FP) only Delete "Manual, Procedures and Guidelines for sustainable forest Management Certification" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under the NRE(FDRS)O, 2004: Section 2. This Order shall apply to burning of timber and vegetative residues on land for development or establishment of commercial plantation." The manual has not been endorsed by the state govt for use and has lots of errors. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the Order is only applicable to the establishment of commercial plantation and not for the management of natural forest. Amended the Verifier as "Natural Resources and Environment (Fire Danger Rating System) Order, 2004 (FP)". MPGSFMC maintained as a Verifier as per decision made under item 3.
15	Verifier 1.1.1 (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	Deletion of "Manual, Procedure and Guideline...."	1. It not a law or even a policy <u>but</u> a technical guideline for implementation. Moreover, it is referred to as verifiers in many other indicators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MPGSFMC maintained as a Verifier as per decision made under item 3.

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				2. Moreover, it is not official and still under review due to errors inside the Green book.	
16	Verifier 1.1.1 (Sarawak)	JTKS	Amend to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum wages order (Amendment) 2018 • Labour Ordinance (Sarawak Cap. 76) For Malay Ver.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perintah Gaji Minimum (Pindaan) 2018 • Ordinan Buruh (Sarawak Bab 76) 	To be in line with the latest Minimum Wages Order gazetted on 28 November 2018 P.U. [A] 305	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verifier amended as “Minimum Wages Order 2018” in line with the decision made under item 8, and made applicable to all regions. • Amended the verifier as “Labour Ordinance [Cap. 76 (1958 Ed.)]” as per the title of the document. • Similar actions will be taken to amend the Bahasa Melayu version.
17	Verifier 1.1.2 (All Region)	MNS	Addition: any documentations indicating the past experiences, certifications, trainings etc. that Forest Manager participated shall be added.	A better presentation of vast experiences of Forest Managers that could assist in management and monitoring etc. processes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting viewed that the knowledge and experience of the forest managers would be best tested and reflected in the ability of the FMU to meet and comply with all the requirements of the standard. The Meeting agreed that the existing verifier is adequate.
18	Verifier 1.1.3 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: the records shall be made public.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting deliberated on the matter and agreed that there is no necessity to make all records public due to the nature (could be confidential) and the documentation would be voluminous, etc. However, the forest manager must provide proof to the auditors of records having been kept and follow-up actions taken to address these violations.
19	Verifier 1.2.2 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: the use of such prescribed fees etc. should be mentioned clearly.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To maintain the Verifier as the Indicator requires the listing of current list of all legally prescribed fees, royalties, taxes, and other charges.

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20	Verifier 1.3.1 (All Region) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend: Rekod dan hasil temu bual bersama pengurus hutan mengenai kesedaran beliau <u>mereka</u> terhadap perjanjian antarabangsa yang berkaitan dengan hutan yang telah ditandatangani.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verifier to be amended as proposed.
21	Indicator 1.4.1 (All Region)	Shin Yang	Amend the indicator: "Conflicts between laws, regulations, <u>guidelines (if applicable)</u> and these Principles..."	Due to some guidelines become verifier which the FMU must fulfil. If some guidelines is conflict with the practical issues then the FMU can declare the issue under the indicator and prove the auditor the evaluation and justification.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting maintained the wording of the indicator and viewed the evaluation of conflict should rightly be between the prescribed laws, regulations and the requirements in the standard, and not at the guidelines level.
22	Verifier 1.4.1 (All Region)	MNS	Addition: records of past law cases, case studies, disputes etc. shall be taken into account.	More useful relevant information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During the evaluation process, past cases would inevitably be considered. Hence the Verifier is deemed adequate.
23	Verifier 1.5.1 (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend the following verifier: Enakmen-enakmen Hutan Perhutanan Negeri	Jabatan Perhutanan Negeri menerima-pakai APN sebagai Enakmen Perhutanan Negara 1984	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verifier amended as proposed.
24	Verifier 1.5.1 (Sabah)	Sabah Forestry Department	Addition: State Forest Policy 2018	New state policy in SFD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addition of "State Forest Policy <u>2018</u>" as a new verifier for Sabah.
25	Verifier 1.5.2 (All Region)	WWF Malaysia	Suggest for additional examples under "Evidence of control measures" verifier: 1. Closure of old logging roads 2. Manned gates for active logging roads Suggestion for additional verifiers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of satellite images to detect encroachment • Number of enforcement staff/ha and patrolling effort 	Old and active logging roads provide access to poachers into forests. These roads should be closed or manned to limit access into forests. Satellite images can be useful for forest managers to be used to detect encroachment and take appropriate measures to stem the problem early if it occurs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting deliberated extensively on the matter and agreed that the list of control measures given are examples and is not meant to be exhaustive. • Noting that closing or manning old logging roads are not practicable in view of the extent and need for access for silvicultural treatment, the Meeting agreed to only include "satellite images" as an additional example under the "Evidence of control measures".

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				<p><u>Reasoning Specific to P.Malaysia</u></p> <p>In other tropical countries, a minimum of three rangers per 100 km² are being applied in fifteen of the most effective parks (Bruner et al. 2001).</p> <p>In some of the best protected areas for tigers in Thailand and India, there is a minimum of one ranger for every 10 km² (Alexander, 2011; MYCAT, 2014).</p> <p>Alexander, C. (2011). A cry for the tiger: We have the means to save the mightiest cat on earth. But do we have the will? National Geographic Magazine, Washington DC, USA.</p> <p>MYCAT (2014). Letter to the Editor: Urgent Need to Invest in Enforcement to Secure Future of Malaysia's Tigers. https://www.facebook.com/notes/mycat/urgentneed-to-invest-in-enforcement-to-securefuture-of-malysias-tigers/980273658667346/</p> <p>Bruner, A.G., Gullison, R.E., Rice, R.E. and Fonseca, G.A.B. (2001). Effectiveness of Parks in Protecting Tropical Biodiversity. Science 291: 125-128.</p>	
26	Verifier 1.6.1 (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	Sarawak SFM policy (Work-in-progress still?) as verifier?	Sarawak has proclaimed a SFM policy No need for individual FMU policy?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The requirement is for the FMU to have its own policy on SFM.

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27	Verifier 2.1.1 (Peninsula)	JPSM	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Gugurkan perkataan "Decision of the Civil Courts" Tambah perkataan 'where applicable' selepas "Land title". 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Cadangan digugurkan kerana 'Decision of the Civil Courts' perlu dilihat mengikut kes. Sebagai contoh, "Decision of the Civil Courts" di Negeri Kelantan tidak boleh digunakan di negeri Johor tanpa arahan mahkamah. Cadangan penambahan adalah supaya keperluan 'land title' ini lebih jelas bagi kawasan pensijilan 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> A decision on this matter has been made under item 5. The Meeting recalled earlier decision made and agreed that there is no need to add "where applicable" after the "Land Title."
28	Verifier 2.1.1 (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	<p>Amend</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Permit memasuki Kawasan hutan <u>Permit Memasuki Hutan Simpanan Kekal</u> Rekod dan peta kawasan tanah adat dan penempatan Orang Asli <u>Orang Asal</u> Enakmen Hutan <u>Perhutanan Negeri</u> 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Memasuki hutan tanah kerajaan dan hutan tanah milik tidak perlu permit Tiada peruntukan undang-undang berkaitan kawasan tanah adat Orang Asli Jabatan Perhutanan Negeri menerima-pakai APN sebagai Enakmen Perhutanan Negara 1984 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Amended Verifier as proposed. The Meeting deliberated extensively on the possible conflict between the use of customary land maps against the legally recognised areas for indigenous communities. The Meeting noted that while recognition of indigenous land rights must be made according to the relevant laws, the FMU is also required to be aware on the presence of such areas within the FMU and to act accordingly, in line with the spirit of UNDRIP. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following further deliberation, the Meeting agreed to reword the verifier as "Records and maps of <u>recognised</u> customary land area and aboriginal inhabited place." Verifier amended as proposed. Addition of a new Verifier "Licence for Planted Forests (FP)" for Sarawak.
29	Verifier 2.1.2 (All Region)	JPSM	Tambah perkataan "if any" selepas perkataan FMU.	Cadangan penambahan adalah kerana "Land claims" tidak berlaku di semua FMU. Oleh itu, tambahan perkataan "if any"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To maintain the wording of the Verifier following the decision made under item 27.

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30	Verifier 2.1.2 (All Region)	MNS	Addition: Records of past law cases, case studies, disputes etc. shall be taken into account.	More useful relevant information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To maintain the Verifier as this Indicator deals with mechanism and participation in resolving land claims.
31	Criterion 2.2	MNS	Amendments: Free, prior and informed consent (FPIC) guidelines targeting MC & I shall be prepared and/or well documented. The FPIC document shall comply to the obligations stated in the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD).	It is to comply to obligations of CBD whereby Malaysia is one of the signatory parties.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the term used in CBD is "prior informed consent" whereas the term used in the standard is "free, prior and informed consent," adopting the term used in UNDRIP. The Meeting was of the view that there is no need to spell out the specifics at the Criterion level.
32	Verifier 2.2.1 (Peninsula)	JPSM	Gugurkan perkataan "including relevant decision of the Civil Courts"	Cadangan digugurkan adalah kerana memadai ditulis "Aboriginal Peoples Act 1954" sebagai keseragaman bagi semua Akta.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A decision on this matter has been made under item 5.
33	Verifier 2.2.1 Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enakmen Hutan <u>Perhutanan</u> Negeri 	Jabatan Perhutanan Negeri menerima-pakai APN sebagai Enakmen Perhutanan Negara 1984	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verifier amended as proposed.
34	Verifier 2.2.2 (All Region)	SADIA	Addition: Participatory maps showing the location of settlement boundary of local communities/indigenous peoples in and adjacent to the FMU. Boundary surveys be conducted with the prior and informed consent of the native land owners.	To ensure correct boundary mapping to avoid overlapping claim between NCR landowners and the government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting discussed the different methods practised in Peninsular Malaysia and Sarawak in identifying the locations of settlements of indigenous peoples or local communities. Following extensive deliberations, the Meeting was of the view that the existing verifiers were adequate to

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35	Verifier 2.2.2 (All Region)	Sarawak State AGC	To include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maps showing...to the FMU <u>after verification and clarification from competent authority as provided by the laws.</u> 	For the respective body/authority to provide and verify genuine maps in accordance to the laws in Sarawak (under land Surveyor Ordinance)	address the concern and fulfil the requirements of the indicator.
36	Criterion 2.3	Samling	Insert after "...interests..." must be subject to MTCC's objective and unbiased consideration, based on documentary evidence produced by both parties, in order to determine whether or not the basis of the dispute warrants an operation being disqualified from certification."	As Criterion 2.3 stands disputes that have no sound basis in law, adat or logic can very easily prevent a forest area from being certified. This should be recognised by MTCC as being a very unreasonable stance.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting noted that the requirement was rather subjective and could be interpreted differently by different parties and that an amendment was needed to avoid any biased decision. • Additionally, the Meeting also noted that certain parties might not have the capacity or ability to produce documentary evidence over a dispute which could lead to unfair assessment. • Notwithstanding the above and considering that assessment against this requirement could result to disqualification of a FMU to obtain certification, the evidence produced in raising a dispute need to be strong and substantiated. • After further deliberation, the Meeting agreed to amend the wording of the Criterion as: "... Disputes of substantial magnitude involving a significant number of interests must be subject to objective and unbiased consideration, based on substantiated evidence, to determine whether or not the dispute would disqualify the operation from being certified".

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37	Verifier 2.3.1 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: Such records shall be made public.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting recalled its decision made earlier on a related matter under item 18. The Meeting agreed to add a new Verifier - "Mechanisms to resolve disputes made publicly accessible."
38	Verifier 2.3.1 (Sarawak)	Sarawak State AGC		<p>Forest department and Land and Survey department determine the area/lands thus any encroachment to the NCR or in tenure claims/use rights.</p> <p>Any conflict/disputes of tenure claims/use rights, the only relief that is available is compensation (Nyutan case)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The comments were duly noted by the Meeting.
39	Verifier 3.1.1 (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	<p>Amend:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Change Orang Asli to "Orang Asal" Delete "kawasan penempatan Orang Asli di dalam HSK" 	Penempatan Orang Asal yang diiktiraf hanya dalam kawasan Rezab Orang Asal yang mana tiada dalam HSK	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted the explanation by Prof. Dr. Juli that "Orang Asal" is the generic term for indigenous people whereas "Orang Asli" is the specific term used for the indigenous people in Peninsula. The Meeting agreed to maintain the term "Orang Asli". Considering that the FMU is required to identify settlement within or adjacent to the FMU, the Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier "Records/maps of aboriginal areas and aboriginal inhabited places within PRF".
40	Indicator 3.1.2	JPSM	Tambah perkataan 'that are legally' selepas 'resources'	Cadangan adalah bagi menerangkan kehendak "Indicator" dengan lebih jelas,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting was of the view that the word "controlled" in the Indicator was sufficient to imply legitimacy and agreed to maintain the current wording of the Indicator.

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41	Verifier 3.1.2 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: Such records shall be made public.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Taking into consideration that some of the records could contain confidential information, the Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier.
42	Verifier 3.1.3 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: Such records shall be made public.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to add a verifier "Mechanisms to resolve disputes made publicly accessible".
43	Verifier 3.2.1 (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Change 'Orang Asli' to "Orang Asal"		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the term as per decision made under item 39.
44	Criterion 3.3 Indicator 3.3.1	Samling	Delete "...protected..." Insert after 'and "...shall be recognised by the FMU's management who shall ensure that the forest operations do not encroach the site in question ..."	Forest managers are not responsible for the protection of these sites but they are responsible for ensuring that their forest operations do not encroach.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the intention of the proposed amendment was to avoid misunderstanding on the term "protect" and further agreed that the proposed wording captured the essence of the requirement. The Meeting therefore agreed to amend the wording of the Criterion as "Sites of special cultural, ecological, economic or religious significance to indigenous peoples shall be clearly identified in cooperation with such peoples and <u>recognised by the forest management who shall ensure that the forest operations do not encroach the site in question protected by forest managers</u>".
45	Verifier 3.3.1 (All Region)	MNS	Add "Such documents, records decision etc. shall be made public."	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that such sites are usually identified as HCV areas and covered under Principle 9. Further noting that a public summary on the HCV sites is required under Principle 9,

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46	Verifier 3.3.1 (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Change 'Orang Asli' to "Orang Asal"		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A decision has been made earlier to retain the original term under item 39.
47	Verifier 3.3.1 (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	Delete MPGSFMC and replace with Forest Zoning: Procedures to Identify Production, Protection and Community-Use Areas	This Procedures directly address the indicator on the process for identification and protection of such sites. However, procedures do not state any provision for the rights to access to these sites by indigenous people.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recalling the decision made under item d in Table 2, the Meeting agreed to add "Guideline 4 – Procedures to Identify Production, Protection and Community Use Areas based on Forest Zoning" as a sub-bullet point under the MPGSFMC.
48	Verifier 3.3.2 (All Region)	MNS	Add "Such documents, records decision etc. shall be made public."	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to add the verifier "Mechanisms to resolve disputes made publicly accessible".
49	Verifier 3.3.2 (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Change 'Orang Asli' to "Orang Asal"		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As decided under item 39, the term "Orang Asli" would be maintained.
50	Criterion 3.4, Indicator 3.4.1, 3.4.2	MNS	<p>Amendments: The obligations listed in CBD targeting FPIC and the fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising from the use of genetic resources etc., including traditional knowledge shall be taken into account.</p> <p>The newly enforced Access to Biological Resources and Benefit Sharing Act 2017 (Act 795) shall be included likewise.</p>	It is to comply to obligations of CBD whereby Malaysia is one of the signatory parties, especially obligations targeting indigenous people.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to add "Access to Biological Resources and Benefit Sharing Act 2017" as a verifier under Indicator 3.4.2 for Peninsula. The Meeting noted that the Act included obligations for free and informed consent for fair and equitable sharing of benefits. Considering that Sabah and Sarawak had their own state laws regarding the obligations listed in the CBD, the Meeting also agreed to add "Sabah Biodiversity Enactment 2000" as a verifier for Sabah under Indicator 3.4.2.
51	Verifier 3.4.2 (All Region)	WCS	<p>To include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access & Benefit Sharing Act 2017 & regulations under the Act 	may have been overlooked	

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52	Criterion 4.1 Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	To delete "di dalam atau"	FMU di Semenanjung Malaysia adalah HSK sahaja, tiada masyarakat dibenarkan tinggal di dalam HSK.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the Criterion as per the decision made under item 34.
53	Indicator 4.1.2 Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	To delete "di dalam"	FMU di Semenanjung Malaysia adalah HSK sahaja, tiada masyarakat dibenarkan tinggal di dalam HSK.	
54	Indicator 4.1.2	Ta Ann	Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Qualified</u> communities living within or adjacent... 	During employment intake/interview, an applicant should qualify himself in accordance with existing legislation of federal & state, and also meet the standard/universally accepted criteria (in public & private sectors, NGOs alike) of able-bodied, ability, medical-fit, matching of job requirements, skill, attitude etc. in which any employer will be looking at.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recalling discussions in the previous meetings, the Meeting noted that the intent of the requirement was to provide employment opportunities to local communities and therefore agreed to maintain the indicator without any amendment.
55	Verifier 4.1.2 (All Region)	Ta Ann	Delete the word "without gender discrimination"	No need to emphasis on the gender discrimination.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concurring that any discrimination based on gender should be eliminated, the Meeting agreed to maintain the phrase "without gender discrimination" in the verifier.
56	Verifier 4.1.3 (Sarawak)	JTKS	Amend to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Labour Ordinance (Sarawak Cap. 76) For Malay Ver.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ordinan Buruh (Sarawak Bab 76) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The verifier was amended as per the decision made under item 16.
57	Indicator 4.2.1	Ta Ann	Delete "in Bahasa Malaysia and English"	Not necessary to be very specific up to determining language to be used.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noting that Bahasa Melayu and English are the commonly used languages in Malaysia, the Meeting agreed to amend the requirement to "... in Bahasa Melayu and/or English".
58	Indicator 4.2.1 Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Delete "dalam Bahasa Malaysia dan Bahasa Inggeris"		

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59	Verifier 4.2.1 (Sarawak)	JTKS	Amend to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Labour Ordinance (Sarawak Cap. 76) For Malay Ver.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ordinan Buruh (Sarawak Bab 76) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The verifier was amended as per decision made under item 16.
60	Verifier 4.2.2 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: Such statement, minutes, records, guidelines etc. shall be shared.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting was of the view that the proposed amendment to ensure that the appropriate health and safety documentation are disseminated to workers is sufficiently covered under Indicator 4.2.3. The workers are members of the Safety and Health Committee and hence have access to the minutes, records, guidelines, etc.
61	Verifier 4.2.4 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: Such statement, minutes, records, guidelines etc. shall be shared.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	
62	Verifier 4.2.5 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: Such statement, minutes, records, guidelines etc. shall be shared.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noting that Indicator 4.2.5 was relating to the requirement for demarcation of hazardous areas and procedures on storage and handling hazardous materials on-site, the Meeting agreed that the proposed amendment to the verifier was not relevant.
63	Criterion 4.3	SUHAKAM	To add indicator on Forest management to keep records of fatalities and injuries suffered by local and migrant works.	To take note on whether any injures workers receive compensation or not.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the proposed addition is already covered under existing verifier of Indicator 4.2.4 i.e. "safety and health records of forest workers" would include records of fatalities and injuries suffered by workers.
64	Indicator 4.3.1	Samling	Delete: "Provisions..." and insert 'There should be no restrictions...	Provisions, implies that something is to be provided but that is not the requirement here. The management is not required to	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting deliberated on the proposed deletion and agreed to amend the indicator as "Provisions There shall

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				provide anything in order to comply with these indicators.	<u>be no restrictions</u> for workers to freely organise into union of their own choice in accordance with ILO Convention No. 87".
65	Verifier 4.3.1 (Sarawak)	JTKS	Amend to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Labour Ordinance (Sarawak Cap. 76) For Malay Ver.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ordinan Buruh (Sarawak Bab 76) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to amend the verifier as per discussion made in item 16.
66	Indicator 4.3.2	Samling	Delete: "Provisions..." and insert 'There should be no restrictions...	Provisions, implies that something is to be provided but that is not the requirement here. The management is not required to provide anything in order to comply with these indicators.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Similar to deliberations under item 64, the Meeting agreed to amend the indicator as "<u>There shall be no restrictions</u> for workers to organise and undertake collective bargaining and non-discrimination in the workplace in accordance with relevant ILO Conventions".
67	Verifier 4.3.2 (Sarawak)	JTKS	Amend to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Labour Ordinance (Sarawak Cap. 76) For Malay Ver.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ordinan Buruh (Sarawak Bab 76) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to amend the verifier as per decision made in item 16.
68	Verifier 4.3.3 Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend "Akta Pencegahan Rasuah 1997" to "Akta Suruhanjaya Pencegahan Rasuah Malaysia 2009"		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verifier amended as per decision made under item 5.
69	Verifier 4.3.3	JPSM	Pinda 'Anti-Corruption Act 1997" dengan "Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission Act 2009"	Cadangan dibuat pindaan kerana MACC Act 2009 adalah Akta terkini yang digunakan	
70	Verifier 4.3.3 (Sarawak)	JTKS	Amend to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum Wages Order (Amendment) 2018 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verifier amended as per decision made under item 16.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Labour Ordinance (Sarawak Cap. 76) For Malay Ver.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Perintah Gaji Minimum (Pindaan) 2018 Ordinan Buruh (Sarawak Bab 76) 		
71	Verifier 4.3.4 (Sarawak)	JTKS	Amend to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Labour Ordinance (Sarawak Cap. 76) For Malay Ver.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ordinan Buruh (Sarawak Bab 76) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verifier amended as per decision made under item 16.
72	Criterion 4.4 Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend the Criterion to: <i>Perancangan dan operasi-operasi pengurusan perlu dimasukkan hasil penilaian impak sosial. Rundingan dengan orang dan kumpulan yang menerima kesan operasi pengurusan secara langsung hendaklah dikekalkan.</i>	Kekalkan kepada Kriteria asal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the requirement in the proposed amendment was essentially similar to the existing Criterion 4.4. The Meeting agreed to maintain Criterion 4.4 and that the suggestion for amendment for the Bahasa Melayu version to be considered by the ad-hoc translation committee consisting of MTCC and JPSM.
73	Verifier 4.4.1 (Peninsula)	JPSM	Pinda perkataan "report on SIA" kepada "report on social impact evaluations"	Cadangan pindaan adalah kerana memastikan kehendak Criterion 4.4 dan Indicator 4.4.1 adalah konsisten dan selari dengan verifier. Ini kerana Criterion 4.4 dan Indicator 4.4.1 hanya memerlukan "Social impact evaluations" dan bukannya "Social impact assessment"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noting that there was a variety of guidelines available on the conduct of a social impact assessment, the Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier as "Report on SIA".
74	Verifier 4.4.1 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: EIA report shall be included as a supplementary document.	More useful relevant information and there is some inconsistency.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed that the verifier "Report on SIA" was sufficient to meet the requirement under Indicator 4.4.1.
75	Criterion 4.5 Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Delete the term "Orang Asal"	Dalam draf Bahasa Inggeris hanya disebut local communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed for the amendment to be made in the Bahasa Melayu version as proposed.

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76	Verifier 4.5.1 (All Region)	SUHAKAM	Add <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report of National Inquiry into the Land Rights of Indigenous Peoples 2013 	To ensure recommendations in the said report are considered and used as a verifier to ensure land rights of Indigenous peoples are safeguarded.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the "Report of National Inquiry into the Land Rights of Indigenous Peoples 2013" contained the recommendations from SUHAKAM to the federal government to ensure the land rights for indigenous peoples are respected. There is no final decision on the various recommendations by the government. Hence the Meeting was of the view that it is not appropriate to include the report as a verifier.
77	Verifier 4.5.2 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: Such records shall be documented.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the various verifiers are documented records.
78	Criterion 5.1 Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend: <i>"...untuk mengekalkan produktiviti ekologi dan integriti ekologi-hutan"</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to make the changes as proposed by Terengganu FD.
79	Verifier 5.1.1 (All Region) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Rancangan kerja tahunan Tahunan Hutan – RTH</i> Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Rancangan Mengusahakan Hutan (RMH)</i> 	RTH disediakan setiap tahun untuk perancangan kerja/operasi tahun semasa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed with the proposal by JPSM to delete "annual work plan" and to include "forest harvesting plan (NF)" as proposed by Terengganu FD. The Meeting noted that the term FMP is used in the generic sense in the standard and is applicable for both NF and FP.
80	Verifier 5.1.1 (Peninsula)	JPSM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tambah perkataan "(NF)" di hujung ayat 'forest management plan' dan Tambah 'forest plantation management plan (FP)' sebagai verifier. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cadangan penambahan kerana verifier 5.1.1 digunakan untuk standard Hutan Asli dan Forest Plantation. Cadangan digugurkan kerana 'Forest management plan' adalah memadai di mana FMP merangkumi semua 'Forest management operation' 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gugurkan 'Annual Work Plan' dari verifier 		
81	Verifier 5.1.1 (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	Annual operating and development budget and expenditure. To remove?	Ball park or shoot in the dark? NCR Implication for under budget or underutilization? Tenure conditions unknown.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier as it is a needful verifier to indicate that investment and re-investment are made in undertaking sustainable forest management practices within the FMU.
82	Indicator 5.1.2	Samling	Delete "to ensure its economic viability"	Difficult if not impossible to assess economic viability of the prescription because of all the unknowns – in particular growth. How to assess the economic viability of e.g. improving the ecological integrity?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the requirement is necessary and intended to ensure that the long-term economic viability of an FMU is considered in forest management. The Meeting agreed to maintain the indicator as economic viability is one key pillar of sustainability.
83	Verifier 5.1.2 NF Only (All Region)	MNS	Addition: Central Forest Spine (CFS) Master Plan and HoB (Heart of Borneo) Initiative tackling ecological integrity of forest shall be included.	Important national initiative tackling forest connectivity, including biodiversity and livelihood of local communities, need to be considered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted the proposal for inclusion of Central Forest Spine Master Plan is included under Indicators 3.3.1 and 6.10.1 which would be more appropriate for their inclusion, but did not agree to include the Heart of Borneo Initiative. Following further deliberation, the Meeting agreed to include "DF Circular No. 2/2019 – Restoration Program within Licensed Area" as proposed by Ms. Tessy.
84	Verifier 5.1.2 NF only (Peninsula)	JPSM	Gugurkan 'Annual Work Plan' dari verifier (NF)	Cadangan digugurkan kerana 'Forest management plan' adalah memadai di mana FMP merangkumi semua 'Forest management operation'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to delete "Annual Work Plan" as per earlier decided under item 80.

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85	Verifier 5.1.2 NF Only (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend: <i>Rancangan kerja hutan Tahunan Hutan</i>	RTH disediakan setiap tahun untuk perancangan kerja/operasi tahun semasa	
86	Verifier 5.1.2 NF Only (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	Delete MPGSFMC and replace with "Guidelines for Silviculture Practice (enrichment Planting)"	To be more specific to certain guideline. However, the guidelines only address one silviculture (enrichment Planting) practise only.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to list the proposed verifier "Guideline 11 – Guidelines for Silviculture Practice (Enrichment Planting)" as a sub-bullet point under MPGSFMC.
87	Verifier 5.1.2 NF Only (Sarawak)	Samling	Delete "Records of enrichment planting"	This implies that Enrichment Planting is mandatory - which it is not.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier as "records of enrichment planting" is required if enrichment planting is needed to be conducted in the FMU.
88	Verifier 5.1.2 FP Only (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Rancangan kerja hutan Tahunan Hutan</i> <i>Rancangan Pengurusan Ladang Hutan</i> 	RTH disediakan setiap tahun untuk perancangan kerja/operasi tahun semasa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed amendments will be considered by the ad-hoc translation committee.
89	Verifier 5.2.1 NF Only (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Gugurkan perkataan "hasil"		
90	Verifier 5.3.1 NF Only (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	MPGSFMC scope too wide. Replace with "Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging"	Specific. Consistent with Sabah and PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consistent with earlier discussions, the Meeting agreed to list the following verifiers as sub-bullet points under MPGSFMC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guideline 10A – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 1 Guideline 10B – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 2
91	Verifier 5.3.1 NF Only (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	Delete MPGSFMC and replace with "RIL for Ground Based Harvesting system"	To be more specific to certain guideline	

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92	Indicator 5.3.2	STA	Remove the word "regular"	Training frequency shall be based on the necessity and operations need	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the requirement for training is sufficiently covered and agreed to delete the word "regular" as the frequency of training would be determined by the forest manager on need basis.
93	Verifier 5.3.2 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: Such records shall be documented and shared, including Reduced Impact Logging (RIL) related guidelines. RIL guidelines shall be reviewed and/or prepared, whichever deemed appropriate.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that guidelines on reduced impact logging are publicly available. The Meeting was of the view that it was not necessary to make training records publicly available.
94	Indicator 5.4.1 NF Only Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Pinda 'and' kepada 'dan'		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Secretariat will make the editorial correction in the Bahasa Melayu version.
95	Verifier 5.4.1 NF only (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strategi kepelbagaian produk hutan <u>Dasar Perhutanan Negara 1978 Pindaan 1992</u> Lesen hasil Mengusahasil Hutan bukan kayu atau... 	Di Semenanjung Malaysia, DPN 1978 mempunyai dasar berhubung penggunaan hasil hutan bukan kayu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the use of other non-timber forest resources is contained in the <i>Dasar Perhutanan Negara 1978</i> but agreed to maintain the verifier to emphasize the need for consideration of strategies on the use of other forest resources. Considering that common verifiers are used for the tree regions, the Meeting agreed to maintain the generic wording and that the translation to Bahasa Melayu be considered by the ad-hoc translation committee MTCC and JPSM.
96	Verifier 5.4.1 (All Region) (FP Only)	MWIA	Omit "including their origin"	List of species planted in the forest plantation area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting was of the view that information regarding the origin of the species planted is especially important

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					in the case of exotic species and agreed to maintain the verifier without any amendment.
97	Verifier 5.5.1 (Peninsula / Sabah Sarawak)	WWF Malaysia	<p>Add:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Malaysian National Interpretation for Identification of High Conservation Values II. Environmental Impact Assessment III. Research papers/studies conducted by experts <p>Amend:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Physical Plan 2, 2010-Plan-3, 2015 or any the most current <u>National Physical Plan which is in force</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification of sensitive areas can be done via HCV assessments. • EIAs can identify areas that are sensitive such as watersheds for local communities as well as areas that are important for example fisheries • In some cases, there may be research conducted by institutes or universities on certain areas and this can be used as a verifier. This is especially important for areas where EIAs are not conducted/required by law <p>The National Physical Plan is reviewed every 5 years in tandem with the Malaysia Plans. Thus, it is good to state that the most current National Physical Plan which is in force needs to be used as a verifier.</p>	<p>Proposal for addition:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. The Meeting noted that the “Malaysian National Interpretation for Identification of High Conservation Values” was developed through a collaborative work between various stakeholders. The Meeting agreed that the proposed addition was not necessary, considering that the entire Principle 9 is dedicated for the identification and management of HCV. II. The Meeting noted that the EIA requirement has already been listed in the verifier for all three regions. III. The Meeting agreed with the suggestion by Dr. Berhaman to maintain the verifier as it would be too onerous to require FMU to seek for the relevant research paper/studies. <p>Proposal for amendment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed to amend the verifier to National Physical Plan-3 as decided under item 4.
98	Verifier 5.5.1 (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	<p>Delete</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laporan Makro Penilaian Kesan kepada Alam Sekeliling (EIA) • Garis Panduan Pembalakan Berimpak Rendah (RIL) di Semenanjung (LH) 		<p>Proposal for deletion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed to delete only the term “macro” as EIA is still relevant. • In view of the following proposed addition of <i>Garis Panduan Perancangan Pemuliharaan dan Pembangunan</i>

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			Add <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rancangan Struktur Negeri • Garis Panduan Kawasan Sensitif Alam Sekitar (KSAS) 		<p><i>Kawasan Sensitif Alam Sekitar (KSAS), 2017</i>, the Meeting agreed to delete the RIL guideline for forest plantation as proposed.</p> <p>Proposal for addition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed to include State Structure Plan (SSP) as decided under item 99. • The Meeting agreed to add <i>Garis Panduan Perancangan Pemuliharaan dan Pembangunan Kawasan Sensitif Alam Sekitar (KSAS), 2017</i> to the list of verifiers which are applicable to both natural forest and forest plantation for Peninsular Malaysia.
99	Verifier 5.5.1 (Peninsula)	Yayasan Hasanah	To change National Physical Plan-2 to State Structure Plan	Not all recommendations or aspiration detailed out in the NPP-2/NPP-3 are taken on-board by the states in Peninsular Malaysia. State Structure Plan are better verifiers at state level on identified Forest services, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting noted that the State Structure Plan, which is a sub-set of the National Physical Plan-3, is a gazetted document and contains detailed plan for the State. This includes identification of the various ranking of Environmental Sensitive Areas (ESA) under National Physical Plan-3. • Following lengthy deliberation, the Meeting agreed to include "State Structure Plan" while maintaining the National Physical Plan-3 in the list of verifiers. • The Meeting also agreed to include "State Structure Plan" under "State Laws" for Peninsula under Verifier 1.1.1.

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100	Verifier 5.5.1 (Peninsula)	JPSM	Gugurkan 'Makro Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report' dari verifier	Cadangan digugurkan kerana keperluan "Makro Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report" bagi Kawasan 'sustainable forest management' tidak diperlukan mengikut Perintah Kualiti Alam Sekeliling (EIA) 2015.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to delete only the word "macro" as discussed under item 98.
101	Verifier 5.5.1 (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	MPGSFMC scope too wide. Replace with "Procedures to identify production, protection and community-use areas"	Specific procedure in MPGSFMC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to list these verifiers as sub-bullet points under MPGSFMC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guideline 4 – Procedures to Identify Production, Protection and Community Use Areas based on Forest Zoning Guideline 10A – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 1 Guideline 10B – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 2
102	Verifier 5.5.1 (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	Delete MPGSFMC and replace with "Forest Zoning: Procedures to Identify Production, Protection and Community-Use Areas and RIL for Ground Based Harvesting system"	To be more specific to certain guideline	
103	Verifier 5.5.2 (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rancangan kerja tahunan <u>Tahunan Hutan</u> 	RTH disediakan setiap tahun untuk perancangan kerja/operasi tahun semasa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As decided under item 80, the Meeting agreed to delete "Annual Work Plan" from the list of verifiers.
104	Verifier 5.5.2 (Peninsula)	JPSM	Gugurkan 'Annual Work Plan' dari verifier	Cadangan digugurkan kerana 'Forest management plan' adalah memadai di mana FMP merangkumi semua 'Forest mangamement operation'	
105	Verifier 5.5.2 (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	MPGSFMC scope too wide. Replace with "Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging"	Consistent with Sabah and PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to list these verifiers as sub-bullet points under MPGSFMC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guideline 4 – Procedures to Identify Production, Protection and Community Use Areas based on Forest Zoning
106	Verifier 5.5.2 (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	Delete MPGSFMC and replace with "Forest Zoning: Procedures to Identify Production, Protection and Community-	To be more specific to certain guideline	

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			Use Areas and RIL for Ground Based Harvesting system"		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Guideline 10A – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 1 ○ Guideline 10B – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 2
107	Indicator 5.6.1 NF Only	Samling	Delete all & Insert "Rate of harvest shall not be greater than the AAC"	In Sarawak how to use PSP data when it will only be initially available from 5 or 6 PSPs after a minimum of 5yrs monitoring? Not a scientific basis on which to base MAI.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting noted that FMUs are at different stages in the establishment and monitoring of permanent sample plots (PSP) and that calculation of AAC could not be based solely on the few newly established PSP plots. The Meeting further noted the current AAC used is calculated based on preliminary data collected during the establishment of the FMU and computer simulation. • Considering that the requirement for calculating the rate of harvest would require actual growth data from PSP once such data becomes available, the Meeting agreed to maintain the indicator. • The Meeting further agreed to amend the verifier under Indicator 5.6.1 for natural forest as "Rate of harvest shall not be greater than the Annual Allowable Cut."
108	Verifier 5.6.1 NF Only (Sarawak)	Samling	Bullet #2 delete " (ha/yr) Bullet #3 Delete all after...equal to Insert "...the AAC."	As it stands the computation is confused – if not incorrect. Annual cut = MAI x total productive forest area (or annual coupe x 25) - and NOT X the annual coupe for regulated forests. From where to get a reliable MAI? And what are regulated forests? Why not be straight forward and just use the ACC?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed to delete "ha/yr" as proposed. • With the addition of a new verifier as discussed under item 107, the Meeting further agreed to delete verifier "Annual volume removed less than or equal to Mean Commercial Annual Increment

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					(m ³ /ha/yr) multiplied by the annual coupe for regulated forests".
109	Indicator 5.6.1 FP only	Samling	Delete "... prescribed cutting cycle..." & insert "... rotation length ..."	This is FP. It's a rotation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed with the proposal and amended Indicator 5.6.1 as "Rate of harvest shall be in accordance with the prescribed rotation length as in the Forest Plantation Management Plan".
110	Verifier 5.6.1 (FP only), (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rancangan kerja tahunan <u>Tahunan Hutan</u> 	RTH disediakan setiap tahun untuk perancangan kerja/operasi tahun semasa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to amend the verifier as proposed.
111	Verifier 5.6.1 FP Only (Sabah)	SFISB		FMP/PDP with elements of yield regulation and monitoring.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to change "forest management plan" to "plantation development plan" for Sabah as proposed by Ms. Hamidah.
112	Verifier 5.6.2 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: Such records shall be made public.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting was of the view the requirement to make such records publicly available are adequately covered under Criterion 7.4 and Criterion 8.5 and agreed to maintain the verifier without amendment.
113	Indicator 6.1.1	FORUM	There should be a provision that allow conversion of degraded forest to plantation after 31 Dec 2010.	The approval and planning is a long process where usually approval has been given before 2010 but implementation is after the cut-off date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted the provision to allow conversion of severely degraded forest is covered under Criterion 6.11.
114	Verifier 6.1.1 (Peninsula)	FRIM	'Macro EIA' need to be defined	As far as DOE, only Prelim EIA & Detailed EIA is applicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to delete only the term "macro" as decided under item 98.
115	Verifier 6.1.1 (Peninsula)	JPSM	Gugurkan "Makro EIA at the FMU level shall be conducted in accordance with the Environmental Impact Assessment Guidelines for Forestry issued under the	Cadangan digugurkan kerana keperluan 'Makro Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report' bagi Kawasan 'sustainable forest management' tidak diperlukan	

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			Environmental Quality Act 1974 (NF)" dari verifier	mengikuti Perintah Kualiti Alam Sekeliling (EIA) 2015.	
116	Verifier 6.1.1 (Sarawak)	NREB	Amend EIA report to "EIA conducted in accordance with the NRE (Prescribed Activities) Order 1994		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to amend "EIA report" to "EIA conducted in accordance with the Natural Resources and Environment (Prescribed Activities) Order 1994" as proposed.
117	Indicator 6.1.2 Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend "...terdedah kepada ancaman, serta dan keperluan untuk... ..terhadap kesan <u>risiko</u> kebakaran... ..tanah lembap dan stok karbon hutan.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed amendment will be considered by the ad-hoc translation committee.
118	Verifier 6.1.2 (All Region)	MNS	Addition: International Trade in Endangered Species Act 2008 shall be included, including CFS Master Plan, HOB Initiative, IUCN Red List of Threatened Species and all the wildlife action plans targeting specific species (ie. National Tiger Conservation Action Plan, National Elephant Conservation Action Plan etc.).	The existing listed documents, action plans etc. relating to wildlife conservation are inadequately covered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the International Trade in Endangered Species Act 2008 is a regulation concerning trade in rare, threatened and endangered (RTE) species and agreed that its inclusion as a verifier under Indicator 6.1.2 is not relevant. The Meeting was of the view that the Central Forest Spine Master Plan would be better placed under Indicator 6.3.3, and the Malaysian Plant Red List and Red list of Mammals for Peninsular Malaysia would be more suitable as verifiers here.
119	Verifier 6.1.2 (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Change "NF" to "HA" Add <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Garis Panduan Jalan Hutan 2010 Pindaan 2013 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to change "NF" to "HA" for the Bahasa Melayu version as proposed. The Meeting was of the view that the proposed verifier is not relevant to be added under Indicator 6.1.2.

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120	Verifier 6.1.2 (Peninsula)	MWIA	Malaysian Plant Red List	Only applicable for natural forest.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the Malaysian Plant Red List is also applicable to forest plantation especially in conservation zones/areas and agreed to maintain the verifier.
121	Verifier 6.1.2 (Peninsula)	Johor FD	EQA Act & Environment Protection (Prescribed Activities) Environment Impact Assessment Order 2015 - deleted	Mitigation measures under SFM is more than enough to comply the Environment Protection (2015)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting was of the view that EIA is relevant to be maintained under the Indicator. The Meeting agreed to delete the second verifier on macro EIA.
122	Verifier 6.1.2 (Peninsula)	FRIM		EIA is a poor verifier. Although EIA requires to report, in particular potential impacts to threatened species and vulnerable ecosystems, this is rarely done or poorly assessed. In many reports, there are no mitigation measures for threatened plant species and vulnerable ecosystems	
123	Verifier 6.1.2 (Peninsula)	WWF Malaysia	Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central Forest Spine Masterplan 	The CFS Masterplan identifies important ecological corridors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier as decided under item 118.
124	Verifier 6.1.2 (Sarawak)	NREB	Amend EIA report to "EIA conducted in accordance with the NRE (Prescribed Activities) Order 1994		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting amended the verifier "EIA report" to "EIA conducted in accordance with the Natural Resources and Environment (Prescribed Activities) Order 1994".
125	Indicator 6.1.3	Bar Council	To include pre-cautionary Principle "when an activity raises threats of harm to human health or the environment, precautionary measure should be taken even if some cause and effect relationships are not fully established scientifically"	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prevention is better than cure 2. Caters for situations where establishing cause and effect may not be practical but may have an impact on certification in the long run. 3. Ensures integrity of the certification standards. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting viewed the mitigation measure as required under this indicator as a form of "precautionary approach." Also the need to exercise the precautionary principle is addressed under Principle 9 in relation to management and maintenance of high conservation value areas.

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the wording of the Indicator.
126	Verifier 6.1.3 (All Region)	WWF Malaysia	Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EIA approval conditions incorporated in the forest management plan 	Apart from including the mitigating measures identified in the EIA/assessment, the EIA approval conditions should also be incorporated in the forest management plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed that the incorporation of the mitigation measures in the forest management plan for all impacts identified in the EIA report is sufficient to fulfil the requirement under Indicator 6.1.3.
127	Verifier 6.2.1 (All Region)	MNS	Addition: International Trade in Endangered Species Act 2008 shall be included.	The existing laws etc. relating to wildlife conservation are inadequately covered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to include "International Trade in Endangered Species Act 2008" for all three regions.
128	Verifier 6.2.1 (Peninsula)	FRIM	Add <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central Forest Spine Master Plan Reports or communications from technical agencies 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to include "Central Forest Spine Master Plan" as a sub-bullet point under National Physical Plan-3. The Meeting was of the view that the existing verifiers are adequate and that the proposed addition of "Reports or communications from technical agencies" is not necessary as those technical agencies may not have reports on the subject matter and are not duty bound to provide them.
129	Verifier 6.2.1 (Peninsula)	JPSM	I. Gugurkan 'Makro EIA report (NF)' dari verifier II. Gugurkan 'Up-to-date list of rare, threatened and endangered species of flora and fauna' dari verifier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cadangan digugurkan kerana keperluan 'Makro Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report' bagi kawasan 'sustainable forest management' tidak diperlukan mengikut Perintah Kualiti Alam Sekeliling (EIA) 2015. Cadangan digugurkan kerana susah untuk menentukan "up-to-date list of rare, threatened and endangered 	I. The Meeting agreed to delete only the term "Makro" as decided earlier under item 98. II. Instead of deleting the verifier as proposed, the Meeting deliberated and agreed to amend the verifier as "List of rare, threatened and endangered species of flora and fauna."

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			III. Tambah "Malaysian Plant Red List" dan "Red List of Mammal for Peninsular Malaysia" dalam verifier	species of flora and fauna". Adalah lebih baik memasukkan dokumen yang sah sebagai verifier.	III. Taking into account the above amendment and considering that the proposed addition is already listed under Indicator 6.1.2, the Meeting agreed that the proposed additional verifiers is not necessary.
130	Verifier 6.2.1 (Peninsula)	WWF Malaysia	Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation Assured Tiger Standard (CA TS) • EIA report for NF Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Physical Plan-2, 2010-Plan-3, 2015 or any the most current <u>National Physical Plan which is in force</u> 	1. It is undeniable that poaching is the number 1 threat to tigers in Peninsular Malaysia. The FMU as the managers have a large responsibility in ensuring that poaching is minimised in their concessions. CA TS is suggested to be included as guidelines to monitor the on the ground implementation of biodiversity protection which includes good guidelines to reduce poaching. 2. EIAs are required for certain logging activities under the Second Schedule of the Environmental Quality (Prescribed Activities) (Environmental Impact Assessment) Order, 2015 (e.g. logging of areas covering 500ha or more, logging adjacent to state/national park, etc) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The National Physical Plan is reviewed every 5 years in tandem with the Malaysia Plans. Thus it is good to state that the most current National Physical Plan which is in force needs to be used as a verifier 	Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting deliberated at length the proposed addition of CA TS as a verifier. As highlighted by Dr. Hon, the Meeting agreed that conservation of tigers are urgent and would be a combination of efforts between forest managers, PERHILITAN and NGOs. Noting that the National Tiger Conservation Action Plan (NTCAP) is already listed as a verifier, the Meeting agreed that it is already adequate. • The Meeting noted that EIA report has been listed as a verifier. Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed to amend the verifier to National Physical Plan-3 as per the decision made under item 4.

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131	Verifier 6.2.1 (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	MPGSFMC scope too wide. Replace with "Guidelines to identify Endangered, rare, threatened or Protected Forest Trees in Sarawak" and "Guidelines for Fauna conservation and Ecosystem Management".	Specific procedures. Note interchanged use of RTE and ERT in 6.1.2, 6.2.1. and 6.2.5 Ditto MPGSFMC Guideline 7.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed to list the following verifiers as sub-bullet points under MPGSFMC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Guideline 7 – Guidelines to Identify Endangered, Rare, Threatened or Protected Forest Tree Species in Sarawak ○ Guideline 8 – Guidelines for Fauna Conservation and Ecosystem Management • Ms. Tessy informed that the "A Master Plan for Wildlife in Sarawak, 1996" is still relevant, therefore the Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier.
132	Verifier 6.2.1 (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Delete MPGSFMC and replace with Guidelines to identify endangered, rare, threatened or protected forest tree species in Sarawak and Guidelines for Fauna Conservation and Ecosystem Management 2. Delete "A Master Plan for Wildlife in Sarawak, 1996" 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To be more specific to certain guideline 2. Most of its content is obsolete and already addressed inside <i>Guidelines to identify endangered, rare, threatened or protected forest tree species in Sarawak and Guidelines for Fauna Conservation and Ecosystem Management</i> 	
133	Verifier 6.2.2 NF Only (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: Existing Management Plan and Business Plan implemented for Protected Areas (PAs) shall be taken into consideration.	The existing Management plan and Business Plan for protected areas in the country are inadequately covered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting noted that currently there is no business plan per se for all the protected areas within the FMU or against the totally protected areas such as the national or state parks. The Meeting agreed not to include the proposal as a verifier.

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134	Verifier 6.2.2 NF Only (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panduan Penubuhan dan Penyelenggaraan Kawasan-Kawasan Simpanan Hutan Dara, 1987 • <u>Pekeliling KPPSM Bil. 1 Tahun 2013: Panduan Penubuhan dan Penyelenggaraan Hutan Simpanan Hutan Dara</u> • Rizab Hutan Simpanan Hutan Dara <p>Add: Senarai pokok buah-buahan yang dilarang untuk ditebang</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting amended the verifiers as proposed by Terengganu FD and JPSM.
135	Verifier 6.2.2 NF Only (Peninsula)	JPSM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pinda Panduan Penubuhan dan Penyelenggaraan Kawasan-Kawasan Simpanan Hutan Dara, 1987 (Guidelines for the Establishment of Virigin Jungle Reserves, 1987 kepada <u>Panduan Penubuhan dan Penyelenggaraan Hutan Simpanan Hutan Dara, 2013</u> • Pinda 'List of fruit trees prohibited for felling' menjadi satu titik bulet yang dipisahkan dari 'Wildlife Conservation Act 2010. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cadangan dibuat pindaan kerana Panduan Penubuhan dan Penyelenggaraan Hutan Simpanan Hutan Dara, 2013 ialah panduan terkini yang digunakan • Cadangan dibuat pindaan kerana 'List of fruit trees prohibited for felling' bukan di bawah 'Wildlife Conservation Act 2010' 	
136	Verifier 6.2.2 NF Only (Peninsula)	FRIM	Add Reports or communications from technical agencies		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting was of the view the list of verifiers is adequate and agreed that the proposed addition was not necessary.
137	Verifier 6.2.2 NF Only (Peninsula)	WWF Malaysia	Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Buffer strips for permanent streams and rivers in Inland Forest and Peat Swamp Forest of at least 5 m in width on either side of the stream or 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Riparian buffers act as natural buffers and are very important to minimise pollution and sedimentation in rivers 	Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting recalled the discussion and decision made at the First Meeting of SRC which agreed that the provision for buffer strip management is sufficiently

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			<p>river <u>or in accordance with the Guidelines for Development of Rivers and River Reserves by Department of Irrigation and Drainage (DID) (whichever provides for a larger buffer should be used)</u>, are marked and felling of trees is prohibited.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Tiger Conservation Action Plan 2008-2020 <u>or the most updated version of this plan</u> <p>Add:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EIA report 	<p>and streams. Thus, the use of the greater buffers for rivers are recommended.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The National Tiger Conservation Action Plan 2008-2020 ends in year 2020. This plan would most probably be reviewed and updated. As such the verifier should state that the most updated version of the plan should be used as the verifier EIAs are required for certain logging activities under the Second Schedule of the Environmental Quality (Prescribed Activities) (Environmental Impact Assessment) Order, 2015 (e.g. logging of areas covering 500ha or more, logging adjacent to state/national park, etc) 	<p>covered under the guidelines for reduced impact logging and that the proposed amendment is not necessary.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to include NTCAP as discussed under item 4. <p>Add:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting was of the view that the existing verifiers are adequate for the establishment of representative conservation and protection areas and agreed that the proposed addition was not necessary.
138	Verifier 6.2.2 NF Only (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	Delete MPGSFMC and replace with "Guidelines to identify endangered, rare, threatened or protected forest tree species in Sarawak and Guidelines for Fauna Conservation and Ecosystem Management"	To be more specific to certain guideline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to include the following verifiers as sub-bullet points under MPGSFMC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guideline 7 – Guidelines to Identify Endangered, Rare, Threatened or Protected Forest Tree Species in Sarawak Guideline 8 – Guidelines for Fauna Conservation and Ecosystem Management
139	Verifier 6.2.2 NF Only (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	MPGSFMC scope too wide. Replace with "Guidelines for Fauna conservation and Ecosystem Management".	Note different verifier for same indicator for NF and FP!? Where is FP guideline sourced?	
140	Verifier 6.2.2 FP Only (Peninsula)	WWF Malaysia	Change National Tiger Conservation Action Plan 2008-2020 to "National Tiger Conservation Action Plan 2008-2020 or the most updated version of this plan.	The National Tiger Conservation Action Plan 2008-2020 ends in year 2020. This plan would most probably be reviewed and updated. As such the verifier should state that the most updated version of the plan should be used as the verifier.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain NTCAP as discussed under item 4.

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141	Verifier 6.2.2 FP Only (Peninsula)	FRIM	Add <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central Forest Spine Master Plan 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Considering that the proposed addition is already included as a verifier under Indicator 6.2.1, the Meeting agreed that there is no necessity for its inclusion in Indicator 6.2.2.
142	Verifier 6.2.2 FP Only (Sabah)	SFISB		Verifiers listed for NF and FP apply to both.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting considered the proposed amendment at length and agreed to keep the verifiers for NF and FP separate.
143	Indicator 6.2.3	JPSM	Tambah perkataan "if any" selepas perkataan "cooperation".	Cadangan penambahan adalah kerana Indicator 6.2.3 tidak berlaku di semua FMU. Oleh itu, tambahan perkataan "if any" adalah bagi menerangkan keperluan verifier ini dengan lebih jelas dan tidak disalahertikan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that cooperation between forest managers and other relevant organisations and local communities is important and agreed to maintain the Indicator without any amendment.
144	Verifier 6.2.3 (All Region)	JPSM	Gugurkan "project implementation plan" dari verifier	Cadangan digugurkan kerana "Project implementation plan" adalah merupakan sebahagian dari rekod	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting maintained the verifier and viewed it as important to ensure effective implementation of the collaborative project.
145	Verifier 6.2.3 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: Such records shall be documented and made public.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that normally such records could be made public. However, it has to be agreed upon by the collaborating parties. Therefore, the Meeting agreed not to include the proposed amendment.
146	Verifier 6.2.4 NF Only (All Region)	WWF Malaysia	Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documents on threats monitoring/patrolling using law enforcement monitoring system (SMART) Records on the number of staff for protection and the Terms of Reference (TORs) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Measures which are more specific to prevent inappropriate activities suggested to be included for verification The National Tiger Conservation Action Plan 2008-2020 ends in year 2020. This plan would most probably be reviewed 	<p>Add:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed additions were discussed at length. With the view to strengthen the requirement of the Indicator and to avoid unnecessary misunderstanding, the Meeting agreed with the proposal by Dr. Hon to reword the verifier as:

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			<p>Add (For Peninsula):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Records of actions taken i.e. number of arrests and prosecutions under WCA 2010 Fisheries Act, 1985 or relevant state enactments. <p>Amend:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Tiger Conservation Action Plan 2008-2020 <u>or the most updated version of this plan</u> 	<p>and updated. As such the verifier should state that the most updated version of the plan should be used as the verifier.</p>	<p><i>"Records of measures taken such as periodical patrolling of forest areas, signage, closure of access to forest area, and administrative controls (e.g. guard points) to prevent inappropriate hunting, fishing, trapping, collection and extreme recreational activities."</i></p> <p>Add (For Peninsula):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting appreciated the intention of the proposed addition while noting that such records of arrests and prosecutions under Wildlife Conservation Act 2010 is not within the jurisdiction of the FMU. The Meeting agreed that the verifier as amended above is adequate. The Meeting also noted that Fisheries Act, 1985 had been deleted from the verifier as agreed in the previous SRC Meeting. <p>Amend:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting also agreed to amend the verifier NTCAP as decided under item 4.
147	Verifier 6.2.4 NF Only (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Add: Akta Perhutanan Negara 1984		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to include "National Forestry Act 1984" as a verifier.
148	Verifier 6.2.4 FP Only (Sabah)	SFISB		The enactments in listed as verifiers for NF also apply to FP.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted the comment made but was of the view that there is no need for repetition for FP. The listed

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					enactments have been included under Indicator 1.1.1 which cover FP.
149	Criterion 6.3	Samling	Delete 'species' in b)	What is genetic diversity if not reflected in the diversity of species? So species is redundant here	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting maintained the term "species" as it is the foundation that contribute to ecosystem diversity.
150	Verifier 6.3.1 NF Only (Peninsula)	JPSM	<p>Gugurkan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Manual Kerja Luar Sistem Pengurusan Memilih (Selective Management System - SMS), Bab 10 – Kaedah Penilaian/ Pemeriksaan Ke Atas Aktiviti-Aktiviti Pemuliharaan Hutan Selepas Tebangan</i> (Field Manual of Selective Management System (SMS), Chapter 10 – Assessment Procedures for Post-felling Rehabilitation Activities) <i>Panduan Aktiviti Tanaman Mengaya (Pekeliling KPPSM Bil. 2/96) [Bab 9, Manual Kerja Luar Sistem Pengurusan Memilih (Selective Management System), JPSM, 1997]</i> (Guidelines on Enrichment Planting Activities) <i>Panduan Kerja Luar Inventori Hutan Selepas Tebangan</i> (Field Manual on Post-felling Forest Inventory) <p>Dari verifier dan tambah Manual Perhutanan 2003 sebagai verifier baru</p>	Cadangan digugurkan kerana kesemua verifier tersebut telah dikaji semula dan dimasukkan ke dalam Manual Perhutanan 2003	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to delete the verifiers as proposed and to replace the deleted verifiers with "Manual Perhutanan 2003".
151	Verifier 6.3.1 NF Only (Sabah)	Sabah Forestry Department	<p>Delete:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technical Standards for Enrichment Planting Schedule J of the SFMLA 	Availability of SOPs for Enrichment Planting and Silviculture Treatment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to delete the verifiers as proposed and to replace the verifiers with the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>SOP for Enrichment Planting</u>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technical Standards for Enrichment Planting Schedule I of the SFMLA Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SOP for Enrichment Planting SOP for Silviculture Treatment 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>SOP for Silviculture Treatment</u>
152	Verifier 6.3.1 NF Only (Sarawak)	Samling	Delete "Records of enrichment planting"	See earlier note: 5.1.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier as discussed under item 87.
153	Indicator 6.3.1 FP Only	FRIM		How can this be achieved if plantation managers keep using alien species or only fast-growing native species to establish plantations?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted the comment and iterated that the Indicator and associated verifiers are aimed at protecting and enhancing the existing natural forest areas within a forest plantation, bearing in mind in establishing the forest plantation, special consideration has to be made with regard to high conservation value areas.
154	Verifier 6.3.1 (Peninsula) FP Only	FRIM		All the verifiers listed for Peninsula is not applicable for forest plantation	
155	Verifier 6.3.1 FP Only (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD		Tiada sebarang garis panduan berkaitan di SM: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Garis panduan untuk penandaan dan perlindungan hutan asli 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that in the absence of an existing guideline, the FMU would need to develop their own guideline to comply with the requirement and therefore agreed to maintain the verifier.
156	Indicator 6.3.2	Samling	Delete term "species"	See 6.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the term <i>species</i> as decided under item 149.
157	Verifier 6.3.2 NF & FP (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: CFS Master Plan and HoB Initiative for ecological integrity shall be included.	Important national initiative tackling forest connectivity, including biodiversity and livelihood of local communities shall be included.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to consider this proposal under Indicator 6.3.3.

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158	Verifier 6.3.2 NF Only (Peninsula)	FRIM	Add <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports or communications from technical agencies 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier as decided under item 128.
159	Verifier 6.3.2 NF Only (Peninsula)	JPSM	Pinda <i>Panduan Penubuhan dan Penyelenggaraan Kawasan-Kawasan Simpanan Hutan Dara, 1987 (Guidelines for the Establishment and Maintenance of Virgin Jungle Reserves, 1987)</i> kepada <i>Panduan Penubuhan dan Penyelenggaraan Hutan Simpanan Hutan Dara, 2013</i>	Cadangan dibuat pindaan kerana <i>Panduan Penubuhan dan Penyelenggaraan Hutan Simpanan Hutan Dara, 2013</i> adalah Panduan terkini yang digunakan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed to amend the verifier as: <i>Pekeliling Ketua Pengarah Perhutanan Semenanjung Malaysia Bil. 1 Tahun 2013 - Panduan Penubuhan dan Penyelenggaraan Hutan Simpanan Hutan Dara [Virgin Jungle Reserve (VJR)] (Guidelines for the Establishment and Maintenance of Virgin Jungle Reserve)</i>
160	Verifier 6.3.2 NF Only (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend Panduan Penubuhan dan Penyelenggaraan Kawasan-Kawasan Simpanan Hutan Dara, 1987 <u>Pekeliling KPPSM Bil. 1 Tahun 2013: Panduan Penubuhan dan Penyelenggaraan Hutan Simpanan Hutan Dara</u>		
161	Verifier 6.3.2 NF Only (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	Delete MPGSFMC and replace with "Guidelines for Fauna Conservation and Ecosystem Management"	To be more specific to certain guideline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed to list this verifier as a sub-bullet point under MPGSFMC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Guideline 8 – Guidelines for Fauna Conservation and Ecosystem Management
162	Verifier 6.3.2 NF Only (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	MPGSFMC scope too wide. Replace with "Guidelines for the conservation of genetic, species and ecosystem diversity and guidelines for biological corridors and buffer zone for wildlife".	Guideline 6 of Guidelines for Fauna conservation and Ecosystem Management.	
163	Verifier 6.3.2 FP Only (All Region)	Samling	Delete term "species"	See 6.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed to maintain the term <i>species</i> as decided under item 149.

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164	Verifier 6.3.2 FP Only (All Region) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD		Tiada sebarang garis panduan berkaitan di SM: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Garis panduan untuk pemuliharaan genetik, spesies dan kepelbagaian ekosistem" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier as decided earlier.
165	Verifier 6.3.3 (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: CFS Master Plan and HoB Initiative for ecological integrity shall be included.	Important national initiative tackling forest connectivity, including biodiversity and livelihood of local communities shall be included.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to include <i>Central Forest Spine Master Plan</i> as proposed for Peninsula.
166	Verifier 6.3.3 (All Region)	Samling	Rethink this. As written, it only refers to NF but it should include FP.	Should mention FPMP and AHP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the verifiers as the generic term for FMP is explained in the "Use of the Standard" section. The Meeting also noted that the term "harvesting plan" is the generic term used for other types of harvesting plan such as "detailed harvesting plan" and "annual harvesting plan."
167	Verifier 6.3.3 (All Region) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Add <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rancangan Mengusahasil Hutan (RMH) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier as the verifier <i>harvesting plan</i> listed is a generic term, and hence also covers <i>Rancangan Mengusahasil Hutan</i>.
168	Criterion 6.4	FRIM		This criterion somewhat repeats Criterion 6.2. The only difference is the map record. Consider adding the map recording (and the corresponding indicators and verifiers) to Criterion 6.2. This Criterion can then be deleted.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting argued on the importance of maintaining this Criterion which emphasizes on the need for mapping of the representative sites. Also, this Criterion is needed for the subsequent Indicators (6.4.2 – 6.4.3) for FP.
169	Indicator 6.4.2 FP Only	FRIM		"Protection, restoration and conservation of natural forests" - To get this, planning needs to be done at the landscape level (i.e. FMU) not at the plantation level. By itself, FP design and layout will never	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please refer to comment and decision made under item 153 for Indicator 6.3.1 (FP).

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				promote protection. In the first place, forest plantations should not be planned in bio-diverse areas.	
170	Verifier 6.4.2 FP Only (All Region)	FRIM		"Forest Plantation Management Plan" – inappropriate verifier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting maintained the verifier as "forest plantation management plan" is a key document that also describes the design and layout of the forest plantation.
171	Verifier 6.4.2 FP Only (All Region)	MNS	Amendments: CFS Master Plan, HoB Initiative for ecological integrity, including the existing Management Plan and Business Plan implemented for PAs shall be taken into consideration.	Important national initiative tackling forest connectivity, including biodiversity and livelihood of local communities shall be included. The existing Management Plan and Business Plan of PAs in the country are not adequately covered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noting that under the CFS Master Plan, forest areas within the CFS linkages should be protected while the degraded/non-forested areas need to be reforested, the Meeting agreed to include "Central Forest Spine Master Plan" as a verifier for the Peninsula.
172	Verifier 6.4.2 FP Only (Peninsula)	WWF Malaysia	Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EIA approval conditions 	Appropriate buffer zones may be included in EIA approval conditions. As such EIA approval conditions can be used as additional verifier.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the existing verifier <i>Forest Plantation Management Plan</i> would have incorporated the mitigation measures from the EIA report and hence agreed that the new addition is not necessary.
173	Verifier 6.4.3 FP Only (All region)	MNS	Amendments: CFS Master Plan, HoB Initiative for ecological integrity, including the existing Management Plan and Business Plan implemented for PAs shall be taken into consideration.	Important national initiative tackling forest connectivity, including biodiversity and livelihood of local communities shall be included. The existing Management Plan and Business Plan of PAs in the country are not adequately covered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As the CFS has already been included as a verifier under Indicator 6.4.2, the Meeting agreed that the existing verifiers are sufficient.
174	Verifier 6.4.3 (Peninsula)	WWF Malaysia	Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EIA approval conditions 	Appropriate buffer zones may be included in EIA approval conditions. As such EIA approval conditions can be used as additional verifier.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please refer to decision made under item 172.

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175	Criterion 6.5	Samling	Delete:and the choice of species... Insert the deleted phrase into FP Indicator 6.5.1 or insert: (NF) after ...species...	Refers to FP & not NF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting observed that the choice of species is also relevant in the context of natural forest management, such as the in consideration for enrichment planting and therefore agreed to maintain the wording of the Criterion.
176	Verifier 6.5.1 NF & FP	WWF Malaysia	Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EIA Report (NF) EIA approval conditions (FP) 	Erosion and sedimentation control plans (ESCP) will be part of an EIA report and approval condition. As such EIA report and approval conditions can be used as additional verifier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed that erosion and sedimentation control are included in the harvesting guidelines and procedures of the three regions and hence the existing verifiers are deemed adequate.
177	Verifier 6.5.1 NF Only (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend: Rancangan Pengusahaan Tahunan Mengusahakan <u>Mengusahakan Hutan (RMH)</u>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to amend the verifier as proposed.
178	Verifier 6.5.1 NF Only (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	MPGSFMC scope too wide. Replace with "Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging"	Consistent with Sabah and PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to add the following verifiers as sub-bullet points under MPGSFMC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guideline 10A – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 1 Guideline 10B – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 2
179	Verifier 6.5.1 NF Only (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	Delete MPGSFMC and replace with "RIL for Ground Based Harvesting system"	To be more specific to certain guideline	
180	Verifier 6.5.2 (Sabah)	Sabah Forestry Department	Delete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technical Specifications for Reduced Impact Logging in Schedule F of SFMLA Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guidelines for Harvesting Operation (RIL) 	Availability of guidelines for Harvesting Operation (RIL)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to replace "Technical Specifications for Reduced Impact Logging in Schedule F of SFMLA" and replace it with "Guideline for Harvesting Operation (RIL)"

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181	Verifier 6.5.2 (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	MPGSFMC scope too wide. Replace with "Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging"	Consistent with Sabah and PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to add the following verifiers as sub-bullets point under MPGSFMC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guideline 10A – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 1 Guideline 10B – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 2
182	Verifier 6.5.2 (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	Delete MPGSFMC and replace with "RIL for Ground Based Harvesting system"	To be more specific to certain guideline	
183	Verifier 6.5.3 (Sabah)	Sabah Forestry Department	Delete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technical Specifications for Reduced Impact Logging in Schedule F of SFMLA Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guidelines for Harvesting Operation (RIL) 	Availability of guidelines for Harvesting Operation (RIL)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to replace "Technical Specifications for Reduced Impact Logging in Schedule F of SFMLA" and replace it with "Guideline for Harvesting Operation (RIL)"
184	Verifier 6.5.3 (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	MPGSFMC scope too wide. Replace with "Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging"	Consistent with Sabah and PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to add the following verifiers as sub-bullet points under MPGSFMC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guideline 10A – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 1 Guideline 10B – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 2 The Meeting also agreed to add "Detailed harvesting plan" as a verifier for natural forest.
185	Verifier 6.5.3 (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	Delete MPGSFMC and replace with "RIL for Ground Based Harvesting system" Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detailed harvesting Plan (DP) 	To be more specific to certain guideline	
186	Verifier 6.5.4 NF & FP (Peninsula)	WWF Malaysia	Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EIA Report EIA approval conditions 	Appropriate buffer zones may be included in EIA approval conditions. As such EIA approval conditions can be used as additional verifier.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to add a verifier "EIA Terms and Conditions Approval" for Sarawak.
187	Verifier 6.5.4 NF Only (Peninsula)	Terengganu FD	Amend: Pelan Tindakan untuk Tanah Gambut <u>Panduan Penyediaan Rancangan</u>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted the availability of the guideline and agreed to maintain the verifier.

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	Malay Ver		<u>Pengurusan Hutan Paya Gambut bagi Negeri-Negeri di Semenanjung Malaysia</u>		
188	Verifier 6.5.4 FP Only (Sabah)	Sabah Forestry Department	<p>Delete:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guidelines for conservation of buffer strips along streams and river... <p>Add:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SFMLA Long-Term Licence Agreement (LTLA) Sabah Water Resources Enactment 1998 	<p>Availability of SFMLA and Long-Term Licence Agreement (LTLA)</p> <p>To add Sabah Water Resources Enactment 1998 for the guidelines of buffer strips along streams and rivers.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to delete "Guideline for conservation of buffer strips along streams and rivers under SFMLA and Sabah Water Resources Enactment 1998" and add the following verifiers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainable Forest Management Licence Agreement (SFMLA) Long-Term Licence Agreement (LTLA) Sabah Water Resources Enactment 1998
189	Verifier 6.5.4 NF Only (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	<p>MPGSFMC scope too wide. Replace with "Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging"</p>	Consistent with Sabah and PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to list the following verifiers as sub-bullet points under MPGSFMC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guideline 10A – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 1 Guideline 10B – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 2 The Meeting also agreed to add "Detailed harvesting plan" as a verifier for NF.
190	Verifier 6.5.4 NF Only (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	<p>Delete MPGSFMC and replace with "RIL for Ground Based Harvesting system"</p> <p>Add:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detailed harvesting Plan (DP) 	To be more specific to certain guideline	
191	Verifier 6.5.4 FP Only (Sarawak)	Samling	Delete: Manual, Procedures...etc.	This is for NF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the verifier "Annual Harvesting Plan" is adequate and agreed to delete MPGSFMC as a verifier.
192	Indicator 6.5.5	Ta Ann	Reclassify the indicator to FP only as NF has low risk of Forest Fire	"Fire prevention and control plan to be prepare and implemented for all fire prone forest types" only applicable for Forest Plantation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Taking into consideration the various issues related to climate change and observation on increased occurrence of forest fires, the Meeting agreed to

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					maintain the Indicator as appropriate for natural forest as well.
193	Verifier 6.5.5 (All region)	JPSM	Pinda 'forest fire management plan' kepada 'guidelines for control and prevent forest fire'	Cadangan pindaan kerana kes kebakaran hutan adalah merupakan kes terpencil dan memadai dengan kepada "guideline for control and prevent forest fire" sebagai verifier.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In view of the above consideration under item 192, the Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier.
194	Verifier 6.5.5 (All region) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rancangan pengurusan pelan tindakan kebakaran hutan 		
195	Indicator 6.5.6 FP Only	Samling	Delete all after ...schedule.	Seems rather confused. What kind of a fertilisation schedule would include the use of chemical pesticides??? It does not read rationally. Also, chemical pesticides dealt with under Criterion 6.6. 6.6.4 And don't all plants "... store key elements and nutrients."?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Taking into consideration that aspects concerning the use of chemical pesticide and biological agent are sufficiently covered under Criterion 6.6 and Criterion 6.8 respectively, the Meeting agreed to delete the wordings as proposed. The Meeting also agreed on the verifiers for Indicator 6.5.6 as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Records of application of fertilisers in forest plantation establishment and development, including their use in nurseries Standard operating procedures for the use of fertilisers in forest plantation operations
196	Indicator 6.6.4	JPSM	Tambah perkataan "if applicable" selepas perkataan "management"	Cadangan penambahan adalah supaya keperluan 'Indicator' ini lebih jelas dan digunakan bagi FMU yang ada menggunakan racun perosak kimia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In line with earlier decision made, the Meeting agreed that the proposed amendment is not necessary.

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197	Criterion 6.8	Samling	<p>Delete "Use of GMO shall be prohibited"</p> <p>Insert "The use of GM tree species shall be permitted where the species in question has undergone trials that have shown that its use poses no risk to tree species indigenous to the country of proposed use"</p>	<p>The perhaps MTCC & the Malaysian timber plantation industry needs to catch up with what has already happened, and is still happening, in other parts of the world with regard to GM trees (– not to mention GM food crops).</p> <p>No doubt PEFC [& FSC] needs to be lobbied on this – so be it, then lobby. Brazil, and [the very big] Suzano Pulp & Paper & FuturaGene (owned by Suzano) & others no doubt already are.</p> <p>Are we in Malaysia just following others unquestioningly?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the use of GMO is prohibited under the PEFC and that the matter is currently being deliberated amongst PEFC stakeholders. To ensure continued endorsement by PEFC, the Meeting agreed that the prohibition on the use of GMO be maintained.
198	Criterion 6.8	JPSM	<p>Pinda ayat "use of genetically modified organisms shall be prohibited" kepada "use of genetically modified organisms shall be prohibited in natural forest management"</p>	<p>Cadangan pindaan kerana Ladang hutan menggunakan 'genetically modified organisms' yang terbukti keberkesannya</p>	
199	Indicator 6.9.1 FP Only	Ta Ann	<p>Add:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LPF document / Tree Planting Plan (TPP) 	<p>"LPF document / Tree Planting Plan (TPP)" is an official document that also provides evidence of the approved choice of species for forest plantation establishment, by the state government.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to include "Licence for Planted Forests" as a verifier for Sarawak and noted that the "Tree Planting Plan" is an annex to the "Licence for Planted Forests".
200	Criterion 6.10 NF Only	FRIM		<p>"Forest conversion to other land uses shall not occur" – Not within MC&I jurisdiction. You may want to tweak this phrase to avoid mockery.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the requirement is a safeguard measure to discourage conversion of natural forest to other land uses and agreed to maintain the Criterion, to ensure the ever sustainability of the FMU.
201		Johor FD	<p>Conversion of natural forest into other land use - deleted</p>	<p>Not within the jurisdiction of forestry department</p>	

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202	Indicator 6.10 NF Only Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Amend "unit pengurusan hutan" kepada "FMU"		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to amend the indicator as proposed.
203	Indicator 6.10.1 NF Only	MNS	Addition: Conversation is not allowed in any environmental sensitive areas (ESA). Plus, CFS Master Plan shall be considered in the process of lands selection.	Important to protect and conserve the existing biodiversity hotspots areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to add "Central Forest Spine Master Plan" as a verifier under the Indicator.
204	Indicator 6.10.1 NF Only	JPSM	Pinda ayat "a limited portion is defined as not more than <u>5%</u> of the total area of the certified area" kepada "a limited portion is defined as not more than <u>10%</u> of the total area of the certified area"	<p>Berdasarkan PEFC St1003:2018 – Sustainable Forest Management requirements; Regenerations by planting or direct seedling and/or human induced promotion of natural seed sources to the same dominant species as was harvested or other species mix is not considered a conversion.</p> <p>Ladang hutan yang diluluskan adalah bagi tujuan penanaman spesies pokok hutan yang mana mempunyai fungsi Kawasan hijau yang setara dengan hutan semula jadi. Antara tujuan penubuhan Ladang Hutan adalah bagi mengurangkan tekanan permintaan terhadap spesies pokok hutan semula jadi dengan penggantian pokok hutan yang di tanam di ladang hutan.</p> <p>Penukaran guna tanah adalah kuasa dan keputusan Kerajaan Negeri dan Jabatan Perhutanan hanyalah sebagai agensi penasihat teknikal</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Taking into consideration that the threshold of 5% has been set by PEFC, the Meeting agreed to maintain the wording of the Indicator.

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205	Indicator 6.10.1 NF Only	FRIM		“High Conservation Value areas” – Not all areas identified as conservation zones (under Criterion 6.2) are HCV. There is a need therefore to add bullet (c) to include areas outside HCV that have been recognised under Criterion 6.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting was of the view that the concern is adequately covered under the Criterion and that the repetition is not necessary.
206	Indicator 6.10.1 NF Only	WWF Malaysia	Add: c) Excision of FMU management area for conversion shall be accounted for in the ‘limited portion’	For clarity and to avoid future questions (as it was explained by the MTCC during the stakeholder consultation in Sabah).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting was of the view that the statement on the limited portion of the “total area of the certified FMU” is clear and well-understood and includes excision. The Meeting agreed to maintain the indicator.
207	Verifier 6.10.1 NF Only (All region)	WWF Malaysia	Add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Malaysian National Interpretation for the Identification of High Conservation Values areas 	As conversion should not occur in HVC areas, the Malaysian National Interpretation for the Identification of High Conservation Values should be used as a verifier to ensure that areas converted are not HCVs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Taking into consideration that all aspects concerning HCV are well-covered under Principle 9, the Meeting agreed that the existing list of verifiers are sufficient.
208	Verifier 6.10.1 NF Only (All region)	FRIM		“Forest management plan” & “Record of forest conversion, including maps / aerial photographs / satellite imageries” – How can this be a verifier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted the comment and agreed that the said verifiers are legitimate as verifiers.
209	Criterion 6.10 FP Only	Sapulut Forest Development	Propose to delete “Plantation established in areas converted from natural forest after 31 December 2010 is not eligible for certification unless it fulfils the requirements stipulated under Criterion 6.11”	<p>Not suitable for Sabah context as Sabah Forestry has identify/zone its Forest Reserve into Natural Forest Management (NFM) and Industrial Tree Plantation (ITP) beside Conservation Area, thus compliance of 6.11 is already fulfilled when the SFMLA was promulgated.</p> <p>The non-eligibility after 31 Dec 2010 prejudices those companies that are slow in converting their ITP due to funding,</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the Criterion as decided previously under item I in Table 2.

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				<p>technical skills, abilities and knowledge, condition which generally local companies face. This is particularly acute where for ITP development in tropical forest, where development is still patchy and fairly new due to those handicaps mentioned.</p> <p>Due to the reason as above, the Criterion will not help to support and encourage for FMU in Sabah to support forest plantation certification.</p>	
210	Criterion 6.10 FP Only	WWF Malaysia	Amend: c)... will enable clear, substantial, additional, secure, long-term conservation benefits across the forest plantation management unit.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the Criterion as consideration on conservation aspects is sufficiently covered as reflected in the phrase “does not occur on high conservation value areas” and under item a and b.
211	Criterion 6.10 FP Only	FRIM		“High conservation value” – Pls consider my above remark on “not all areas identified as conservation zones (under Criterion 6.2) are HCV”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the Criterion as per the decision made under item 205.
212	Indicator 6.10.1 FP Only	WWF Malaysia	Amend: Conversion of forest area to forest plantation, consistent with the provisions of relevant federal and state legal frameworks and policies, does not occur on high conservation value areas or <u>environmentally sensitive areas or affect ecological corridors</u> , and shall provide substantial, additional, secure and long-term benefits across the forest plantation	Amendment suggested for indicator to be consistent with the Criterion.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting considered the proposed amendment and agreed to include the Central Forest Spine Master Plan as a verifier for the Peninsula to address the concern for environmentally sensitive areas or affected ecological corridors.

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213	Verifier 6.10.1 FP Only (All Region)	WWF Malaysia	Propose to add: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Malaysian National Interpretation for the Identification of High Conservation Values areas National Physical Plan-3, 2015 or any the most current National Physical Plan which is in force CFS Masterplan 	National Physical Plan – for environmentally sensitive areas CFS Masterplan for ecological corridors.	
214	Indicator 6.10.1 FP Only (All Region)	MNS	Addition: Conversation is not allowed in any environmental sensitive areas (ESA). Plus, CFS Master Plan shall be considered in the process of lands selection.	Important to protect and conserve the existing biodiversity hotspots areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to include the Central Forest Spine Master Plan as a verifier for the Peninsula (See decision made under items 212 & 213).
215	Verifier 6.10.2 (All Region)	JPSM	Pinda ayat “cost benefit analysis including social aspects” kepada “cost benefit analysis including social aspects for commercial project”	Cadangan pindaan kerana terdapat penukaran guna tanah untuk kesejahteraan komuniti setempat seperti pembinaan tempat beribadat yang berskala kecil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting deliberated on the proposed amendment and agreed to amend the wording of the verifier as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Cost benefit analysis including social aspects <u>for commercial purpose.</u>”
216	Criterion 6.11	FRIM	Need a clear definition of ‘degraded’ forests	A standard for ‘degraded’ forest has to be clearly defined (propose: in term of stocking & species composition)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to adopt the definition used in the PEFC SFM standard.
217	Criterion 6.11	WWF Malaysia	Amend: d) does not have negative impacts on ecologically <u>or biologically</u> important forest areas, culturally and socially significant areas, <u>important habitats of threatened species</u> or other protected areas; and	Some areas may not be ecologically important but they may be important in terms of the biodiversity found in the area. The conversion should not negatively impact habitat of threatened species.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting was of the view that the Criterion contains sufficient safeguards and agreed that an amendment was not necessary.
218	Verifier 6.11.1	SFISB		A guideline on determining the degradation or recovery status would be	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted the comment made.

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	(All Region)			useful like canopy cover and time span needed for the forest to recover.	
219	Criterion 6.12	FRIM		Need to make clear that in most cases this criterion is not applicable to MY. After all MC&I deals only with forested ecosystems and forest plantations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted the comment made. The provision is made to meet PEFC requirement.
220		JPSM	Pinda ayat "Afforestation of ecologically important non-forest ecosystem not occur unless in justified circumstances where the conversion:" kepada 'Afforestation of ecologically important non-forest ecosystem, where applicable shall not occur unless in justified circumstances where the conversion:'	Cadangan pindaan kerana di Semenanjung Malaysia tiada kawasan FMU dalam keadaan sedemikian, Oleh itu wajarlar ditambah perkataan 'where applicable' bagi menjelaskan keperluan Criterion tersebut	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the Criterion is only applicable to areas regarded as 'ecologically important non-forest ecosystem' and agreed that the amendment as proposed was not necessary.
221	Criterion 7.1	MNS	Addition: The strategies on 'how' to implement and 'future plan' are required.	Some important items are missing in the general framework of a Management Plan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted the proponent did not make specific proposals but general comment. The Meeting agreed that the Criterion has covered all necessary aspects of forest management planning. The future plan will be covered under the revision of the forest management plan.
222	Indicator 7.1.1	FRIM	Forest Management Plan should be prepared by a qualified forester	Person who prepared the FMP need to have basic knowledge on Forestry & Forest Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted the comment and agreed that it is in the interest of the FMU to engage a qualified expert to prepare its FMP which is normally the case now in Malaysia. For now, the standard has not made it mandatory.
223	Verifier 7.1.1 (Peninsula)	JPSM	Gugurkan 'Annual work plan' dari verifier	Cadangan digugurkan kerana 'Forest management plan' adalah memadai di mana FMP merangkumi semua 'Forest management opertaion'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the annual work plan is prepared based on the FMP. Considering that the work plan is prepared annually based on work

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					progress against the 10-year plan in the FMP, the Meeting agreed to retain the verifier.
224	Criterion 7.2	MNS	Amendments: Public consultation involving important stakeholders on the drafted Management Plan shall be conducted.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the requirement for stakeholder consultation exists in the preparation of FMP as reflected in Indicator 7.2.2.
225	Verifier 7.2.2 (All Region)	WWF Malaysia	Add: Records of communications/engagement with and input from with indigenous and local communities.	Traditional and indigenous knowledge can be obtained via communications with the communities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to amend the wording of the verifier as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Records of communication and inputs from research institutions, <u>institutions of higher learning or indigenous s and local communities</u>
226	Verifier 7.2.2 (All Region)	JPSM	Pinda ayat 'Records of communication and inputs from research institutes' kepada "Records of communication and inputs from research institutes or higher learning"	Cadangan pindaan adalah kerana Institut Pengajian Tinggi turut mempunyai kepakaran dalam bidang tersebut	
227	Criterion 7.4	MNS	Amendments: Public consultation involving important stakeholders on the drafted Management Plan shall be conducted.	Transparency and accessibility to information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please see decision of item 224. Criterion 7.4 is not on public consultation but the requirement to make publicly available a summary of the primary elements of the forest management plan.
228	Verifier 8.1.1 NF Only (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	MPGSFMC scope too wide. Replace with STLVS?	Sabah indicated TLAS What is the status of STLVS?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Tessy explained that the Sarawak Timber Legality Verification System (STLVS) is a document developed by Sarawak that contains all the relevant regulations regarding forestry and trade. All FMU licence holders in Sarawak should comply with the requirements listed in the STLVS.
229		Ta Ann	To delete MPGSFMC	Guidelines inside the "green book" not addressing the requirement of the indicators. Should use the verifier inside MC&I 2012 standard. Procedures for the Inspection of Harvesting Area, 1999...	

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> With the clarification provided, the Meeting was of the view that inclusion of STLVS in the verifier is not necessary. The Meeting further agreed to maintain MPGSFMC and to add "Instruction for the Inspection of the Logging Area, 1982" as a verifier. The Meeting also agreed with the proposal by Ms. Tessy to add "Forests Ordinance 2015 (Cap. 71)" as a verifier.
230	Verifier 8.1.2 (Sarawak)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	MPGSFMC scope too wide. Replace bullets 1, 2 &5 with "Guidelines and procedures for social impact assessment and monitoring of forest management operation..." Bullet 3 on "Internal audit report" to address under Indicator 8.1.3 Bullet 4: Replace EMR with ECA	Guideline 6 ECA: Environmental Compliance Audit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the requirement for internal audit is addressed under Indicator 8.1.3 and agreed to delete the verifier "Internal audit report". Further noting the explanation by Mr. Marsden that "Environmental Compliance Audit Report (ECA)" has not yet been fully implemented in Sarawak, the Meeting agreed to maintain "Environmental Monitoring Report (EMR)" as a verifier.
231		Ta Ann	1. To delete MPGSFMC 2. To add "Environmental Compliance Audit Report (internal/external)"	1. MPGSFMC doesn't address most requirement indicated by the indicator. The Procedure to monitor social, ecological, environmental and economic impacts has covered it all. 2. The state is shifting from EMR to Environmental Compliance Audit (ECA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting also agreed to list the following verifiers as sub-bullet points under MPGSFMC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Guideline 5 – Guidelines for Monitoring of High Conservation Values - Guideline 6 – Guidelines and Procedures for Social Impact Assessment and Monitoring of Forest Management Operations for Forest Management Certification in Sarawak - Guideline 10A – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 1

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Guideline 10B – Guidelines for Reduced Impact Logging: Part 2
232	Indicator 8.1.3	Samling	Delete "...The conduct of internal audit.....APPENDIX A."	<p>The MC&I should only set out the technical criteria with which the forest managers must comply and some of methods to be used. The conduct of the preparation for FMC audits should be solely at the discretion of the forest manager. Most, if not all of us, will undertake at least one internal audit annually as a check on progress prior to audit. But if at the time of the certification audit the CB determines a non-compliance (NCR) then the preparation has obviously failed to some degree. It is then the responsibility of the manager to correct the NCR.</p> <p>There is no justification in mandating what amounts to a second formal audit. Meaning two each year for all management units. This together with the NREB ECA audits means <u>FIVE audits a year for each FMU/FPMU</u>. In Samling's case this will be <u>50 or more audits each year!</u></p> <p>This new requirement is most unreasonable. It's imposition on the industry for no benefit to the industry should be strongly resisted.</p> <p>Is it being imposed on MTCC in order to satisfy some other agency's requirements?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting agreed to maintain the indicator and Appendix A in accordance with the decision under item f in Table 2.

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				In which case MTCC should be the frontline of resistance in order to assist the industry.	
233	Verifier 8.1.3 (All region)	Zedtee Sdn Bhd	2.1.c: Measurement results and audit results? Appendix A integral to MC&I FMC or an extra template?	Fact of audit with good or bad results should suffice for objective of continual improvement. CB need to know fact of audit or result of audit? Self-incrimination?	
234	Criterion 8.2	MNS	Addition: Rehabilitation or recovery of impacted areas related section shall be added and elaborated.	Such measure will be crucial in sustainable forest management.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting deliberated the proposed addition extensively and agreed to maintain the verifier as the concern is sufficiently covered under item (b), (e1) and (e2) of Criterion 8.2, as well as under Indicator 6.3.1 for both natural forest and forest plantation.
235	Verifier 8.2.1 FP Only (All region)	Samling	Delete ..(a) to (e2)... and insert ...(a) to (d) and (e2).	Error	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The correction was made by the Meeting.
236	Criterion 8.3	JPSM	Pinda perkataan 'Forest manager' kepada 'Forest owner/manager'	Cadanagan pindaan adalah bagi menjelaskan keperluan Criterion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noting that the responsibility of managing a forest area falls on the forest manager, the Meeting agreed to maintain the Criterion and Indicator.
237	Indicator 8.3.1	JPSM	Pinda perkataan 'Forest manager' kepada 'Forest owner/manager'	Cadanagan pindaan adalah bagi menjelaskan keperluan Indicator	
238	Verifier 8.3.1 NF Only (Sarawak)	STA	The Record of Removal Pass (Royalty/Transit) to be the only verifier for this indicator.	To be consistent with other regions Other listed documents (pre-felling inventory record, record of Daily Production Return, record of log specification for shutout log/forest produce, operational inventory summary sheet) are irrelevant and should be removed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acknowledging the importance of the various documents for traceability purposes, the Meeting noted that some of the verifiers are redundant and agreed to delete the following verifiers for Sarawak: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-felling inventory record Record of log specification for shutout log/forest produce

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239		Zedtee Sdn Bhd	Superfluous verifiers apart from "Record of Removal Pass (Royalty/Transit)	Less is more? Precise document consistent with Sabah and PM	
240		Samling	Delete all but the Record of Removal Pass	Removal Pass would not be issued by SFC unless documentation to show the origin of the logs is presented in the application for royalty assessment. CB log tags also show origin & the LPI log tag can be used to trace origin. Any other documentation is unnecessary - as the verifiers for Sabah & Peninsular would seem to indicate.	
241		Ta Ann	Deletion of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-felling inventory record Operational inventory summary sheet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> These are pre-harvest inventory/enumeration/assessment only and does not reflect the actual CoC of the harvested/forest products in a 100% manner. The remaining verifiers would suffice in proving CoC and fulfilling Appendix B. For instance, Peninsula and Sabah only uses 'Removal passes' instead of so many verifying documents. 	
242	Verifier 8.3.1 FP Only	MWIA		Removal pass / not applicable for rubber tree which is major species planted.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noting the explanation by JPMS that some states are considering to implement the issuance of removal pass for rubber logs, the Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier.
243	Principle 9	Yayasan Hasanah	Verifier of HCV Assessment, it is still using the Version 1.0; report as is; and if V2.0 is not accepted, report as V.01. Consistency	Cross Reporting in Malaysia Reporting and consistency in Reporting. For e.g., 6 th NR to CBD!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the HCV guideline quoted in the verifier is the latest document.
244	Criterion 9.1	FRIM		You may be aware that many forest managers are reluctant to establish HCVs. To help out, can we include the	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the Criterion as discussed under item 205.

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				conservation zones under Criterion 6.2 as a verifier here?	
245	Indicator 9.1.1	WWF Malaysia	Malaysian National Interpretation for the Identification of High Conservation Values should be the overall guidance document on HCV Identification across all three regions.	Use the best toolkit available. It is the only document that went through a robust multi-stakeholder consultation. The Peninsular Malaysia Forestry Department was also consulted and their concerns responded to. Besides that, the MTCC sits on the steering committee as well.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the document is listed in the verifier for all regions.
246	Verifier 9.1.1 (Peninsula)	JPSM	Gugurkan "Decision of the Civil Courts pertaining to legal or customary tenure or use rights"	Cadangan digugurkan kerana 'Decision of the Civil Courts pertaining to legal or customary tenure or use rights' perlu dilihat mengikut kes. Sebagai contoh 'Decisions of the Civil Courts pertaining to legal or customary tenure or use rights' di Negeri Kelantan tidak boleh digunakan di Negeri Johor tanpa arahan mahkamah.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier in accordance with the decision made under item 27.
247	Verifier 9.1.1 (Peninsula) Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Guna Garis Panduan HCVF JPSM untuk: Laporan penilaian termasuk peta yang menunjukkan kawasan HCV menggunakan garis panduan, seperti di dalam Malaysian National Interpretation for the Identification of High Conservation Values.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the guideline proposed has already been listed in the verifier.
248	Verifier 9.1.1 (Sarawak)	Ta Ann	Delete MPGSFMC and refer to the National Interpretation for the identification of HCV	The guideline in the "green book" only address monitoring of HCV but not covering identification and management of HCV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to add "Guideline 5 – Guidelines for Monitoring of High Conservation Values" as a sub-bullet point under MPGSFMC.
249		Zedtee Sdn Bhd	MPGSFMC scope too wide. Replace with "Guidelines for Monitoring of High Conservation Values"		

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250	Criterion 9.3	Terengganu FD	Guna Garis Panduan HCVF JPSM		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting noted that the guideline proposed is listed under Indicator 9.1.1.
251	Verifier 9.3.1 (All region)	WWF Malaysia	<p>Management prescriptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HCV Management & monitoring plan to maintain & enhance HCV attributes developed and incorporated into the Forest Management Plan 	<p>There is a good guidance for HCV management & monitoring plan, including the need to select indicator and developing baselines for identified HCV attributes.</p> <p>Baseline, indicator, strategy (area of HCV & prescriptions) should be in this HCV management & monitoring plan.</p> <p>It clarified Principles 9 for audit tremendously, and help managers in the long run</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting considered the proposed addition against the requirements elaborated under Principle 7 as well as the requirement for monitoring of HCV under Indicator 9.4.1. The Meeting was of the view that the existing requirements are adequate to guide forest managers in managing HCV. Additionally, the Malaysian National Interpretation for the Identification of HCV has been included as one possible guideline for the use by the FMU managers in their endeavour to better manage and monitor the various attributes of the HCV.
252		WWF Malaysia	<p>Add:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HCV Management and Monitoring Plan developed to maintain and/or enhance HCV attributes, and this plan shall be incorporated into Forest Management Plan 	<p>Prescriptions is part of HCV Management strategy, however, the guidance for HCV Management & Monitoring recommended that the selection of indicator and determination of baseline for each HCV attributes are needed too. This plan ensures clarity in what indicator should be monitored. Having such HCV Management & Monitoring helps the management to comply with this Criterion 9.3</p>	
253	Indicator 9.3.2 Malay Ver	Terengganu FD	Guna Garis Panduan HCVF JPSM		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting agreed to maintain the verifier in accordance with the decision made under item 250
254	Criterion 9.4	MNS	Amendments: Replace HCVF areas to HCV area.	Inconsistency use of terms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Meeting confirmed that correction would be made on this term.
255	Indicator 9.4.1				

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256	Definition of Key terms	WWF Malaysia	Suggestion to include for Peninsular Malaysia the definition and ranking of Environmentally Sensitive Areas as included in the NPP- 3 (Please refer to Appendix 2)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taking into consideration the explanation provided by Dr. Hon on the different ranking of environmentally sensitive areas (ESA) under National Physical Plan-3, the Meeting agreed to amend the definition of "Environmentally sensitive area" by including the following wording: "...wealth of the nation's biodiversity <u>as defined under Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESAs) Definition and Management Criteria of National Physical Plan-3.</u>"

