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STATISTICS (as of January 2025)



Certified Forest

- Total for MTCS Certified Forest **6,152,068.73 ha** (34.9% of Total National Forest Cover - TNFC)

29 Forest Management Units:
6,152,069.73 ha (34.09% from TNFC)

10 Forest Plantation Management Units:
146,610.35 ha (0.81% from TNFC)



Certified Companies

- 372** MTCS-PEFC Certified Chain of Custody companies



Export Volume of Certified Products

- January 2025: **14,819m³**
- Cumulative July 2002 - January 2025: **3.43mil m³**

Public Consultation on Strengthening Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) under MTCS

From 4 December 2024 to 10 January 2025, the Malaysian Timber Certification Council (MTCC) conducted a public consultation to gather feedback on enhancing the implementation of Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) under the Malaysian Timber Certification Scheme (MTCS).

FPIC is a cornerstone of sustainable forest management and plays a key role in safeguarding the rights, aspirations, and voices of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLC) in forestry-related activities.

As part of MTCC's continuous improvement efforts, the consultation sought to strengthen the clarity, accessibility, and effectiveness of FPIC processes under MTCS ST 1002:2021 Malaysian Criteria and Indicators for Sustainable Forest Management (MC&I SFM) standard.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION
Improving the Free, Prior, Informed Consent (FPIC) Process under the Malaysian Timber Certification Scheme (MTCS)

Consultation Period: 4 December 2024 to 3 January 2025

HOW TO PARTICIPATE?

- Option 1: Google Form**
Access the form by clicking on the link below:
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Alternatively, access the form by scanning the QR code:
- Option 2: Via Email**
Access the form on MTCC's website by clicking on the link below:
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Once you complete the form, email it to: fm@mtcc.com.my

Complete a printed form and post it to:
MALAYSIAN TIMBER CERTIFICATION COUNCIL
C-08-05, BLOCK C, MEGAN AVENUE II,
JALAN PAK PULIN KINC, 50450 KUALA LUMPUR,
(Attention to Forest Management Unit)

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Poster circulated to engage stakeholders in the FPIC public consultation under MTCS.

The consultation engaged a wide range of stakeholders, including IPLCs, civil society organizations, industry representatives, and government agencies. It aimed to better understand stakeholder experiences, identify practical challenges on the ground, and gather actionable suggestions to inform the development of a dedicated FPIC guideline.

To ensure widespread participation, the consultation was provided in both online and manual formats, with communication materials available in English and Malay. Input received will support MTCC's goal of strengthening FPIC implementation in a way that is practical, inclusive, and aligned with international best practices.

This initiative reflects MTCC's continued commitment to upholding the principles of responsible forest management through collaborative, stakeholder-driven approaches.

Public Consultation
Perundingan Awam

Improving the FPIC Process under MTCS
Penambahbaikan Proses FPIC di bawah MTCS

Consultation Period: 4 December 2024 – 3 January 2025
Tempoh: 4 Disember 2024 – 3 Januari 2025

FEEDBACK FORM
BORANG MAKLUM BALAS

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PDF form of the public consultation circulated to stakeholders to submit their feedback on enhancing FPIC implementation under MTCS.

MTCC Engages Kelantan Officials on Forest Recertification and Increasing Chain of Custody Certification Uptake



MTCC engages with UPEN Kelantan officials to discuss forest recertification efforts and the benefits of MTCS for sustainable forest management in the state.



On 16 January 2024, the Malaysian Timber Certification Council (MTCC) conducted a courtesy visit to the Director of the Kelantan State Economic Planning Unit (UPEN) at the Kelantan State Secretary Office (SUK) in Kota Bharu. The delegation was warmly received by YBr. Tuan Mohamad Nazwan bin Ismail, Director of UPEN Kelantan, along with senior officials from the state planning unit.

MTCC was represented by its Chief Executive Officer, YBr. Dr. Farrah Shameen Mohamad Ashray; Director of Forest Management, YBr. Dr. Agkillah Maniam; and Executive of Forest Management, En. Mohd Nur Azad Rushidi.

The meeting served as a platform to share updates on sustainable forest certification in Malaysia and explore the next steps for Kelantan's forest recertification under the Malaysian Timber Certification Scheme (MTCS). MTCC also underscored the importance of boosting industry participation in the MTCS Chain of Custody (CoC) certification, especially in Kelantan, to enhance market access and promote certified sustainable timber.

The session ended on a positive note, with UPEN Kelantan voicing full support for the initiative.

MTCC looks forward to ongoing collaboration with UPEN Kelantan and the State Forestry Department to advance sustainable forest management through broader MTCS adoption across Kelantan's forestry and timber sectors.



MTCC CEO, YBrs. Dr. Farrah Shameen Mohamad Ashray, presents a token of appreciation to YBrs. Tuan Mohamad Nazwan bin Ismail, Director of UPEN Kelantan, during the courtesy visit.

MTCC wishes to acknowledge and thank the Kelantan State Forestry Department, represented by Puan Melati Yusof (Assistant Director, Planning and Management) and Puan Ilyia Nur Syawanie Ahmad Mazalan (Assistant Director, Training and Competency), as well as Puan Nor Halizah binti Abd Halim, Head of the Forest Certification Section from the Forestry Department of Peninsular Malaysia (JPSM), for their valuable insights and contributions during the session.

MTCC Hosts Courtesy Visit with Sojitz Malaysia to Discuss Forest Certification

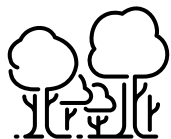
On 21 January 2025, MTCC received a courtesy visit from Sojitz Malaysia to exchange updates on sustainable forestry and wood procurement. Discussions during the meeting focused on the current operations of state forestry departments under PEFC certification, as well as Sojitz's ongoing sustainability initiatives and wood procurement policy.

The meeting served as a valuable platform to strengthen mutual understanding and explore further collaboration between both organizations in advancing forest certification and responsible timber sourcing under MTCS.



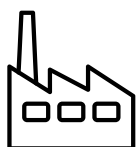
MTCC and Sojitz Malaysia representatives following a courtesy visit focused on strengthening collaboration in sustainable forestry and responsible wood sourcing.

New Certificate Holders in January 2025



MTCS Certified Forest

- There is no new Forest Management Unit certified under MTCS in January 2025.



MTCS Certified Chain of Custody

- There are **5 new companies certified** under MTCS in January 2025.

Company	Product Scope	Contact Details
Aromatic Tissues & Towels Sdn. Bhd. CSIM-PEFC-COC-0028	Trading of PEFC-certified household and sanitary paper products.	Mr. Kent Lee +6012-2313173 kent_aromatic@yahoo.com
Ecopeneer Sdn. Bhd. ICMY-PEFC-COC-T1039488	Manufacturing of wood products (PEFC controlled source).	Mr. Mohamad Shapuan Shaharuddin +6017-6230795 shapuan.shaharuddin@ecopeneer.com
Signwood Cabinets & Flooring Industries (M) Sdn. Bhd. CSIM-PEFC-COC-0030	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase of PEFC-certified solid sawn timber, plywood, flooring, and Medium Density Fibreboards (MDF). • Manufacture and sales of PEFC-certified indoor furniture, flooring, and skirting. 	Ms. Chua Xue Fen +604-5041666 info@signwoodsb.com
Jayamas Sawmill Sdn. Bhd. CSIM-PEFC-COC-0031	Purchase of PEFC-certified logs, manufacturing, and sales of PEFC-certified sawn timber.	Ms. Gun Shin Rong +6013-9412580 jayamassawmillsb@gmail.com
Percetakan Tenaga Sdn. Bhd. SGSMTY-PEFC-COC-MY25/00000032	Purchase of PEFC-certified paper and packaging materials, PEFC controlled sources, chemical pulp, manufacturing, and sales of PEFC-certified corrugated & cardboard packaging products, food wrapping & packaging products, printed materials, and PEFC controlled sources paper and molded pulp tray products.	Ms. Sandy / Mr. Raymond Kang +6012-8658890 sandy@pt-group.com.my



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