

SARAWAK FOREST POLICY

Forest Policy Of Sarawak 1954

IT IS THE FOREST POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF SARAWAK TO:

1. Reserve sufficient forest land for the benefit of the present and future and inhabitants of the country:
 - (a) For the assurance of the sound climate and physical condition of the country and safeguarding soil fertility; supplies of the water for domestic and industrial use, irrigation and general agricultural purpose, and the prevention of damage by flooding and erosion to the river and agriculture land;
 - (b) For the supply in perpetuity and at moderate prices of all forms of forest produce that can be economically produced within the country and that are required by the people for agricultural, domestic and industrial purpose under a fully developed national economy.
2. Manage the productive forests of the Permanent Forest Estate with the objective of obtaining the highest possible revenue compatible with the principle of sustainable yield and with the primary objective as set out above.
3. Promote, as far as may be practicable, through and economical utilization of forest products on land not included in Permanent Forest Estate, prior to the alienation of such land.
4. Foster, as far as may be compatible with prior claims of local demand profitable export trades in forest produce.