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## Indonesia releases document on forestry management policies

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Environment and Forestry Minister Siti Nurbaya Bakar (center) attends the launch of 'The State of Indonesia's Forests 2022' document at the Food and Agriculture Organization's headquarters, Rome, Italy, on Tuesday (October 4, 2022). (ANTARA/HO-Indonesian Forestry Entrepreneurs Association (APHI)/uyyu)

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Jakarta (ANTARA) - The Environment and Forestry (LHK) Ministry has released *The State of Indonesia's Forests (SOIFO) 2022* document, a compilation of the government's policies for managing the forestry and environment sector in 2021–2022.

"Thank you to all parties who have contributed to the preparation of this publication," LHK Minister Siti Nurbaya Bakar said in a statement

received here on Thursday.

She informed that the document also contains all of the government's efforts to achieve the Forestry and Other Land Use (FOLU) Net Sink 2030 target. ^

Indonesia believes that the FOLU sector can play an important role in mitigating and adapting to climate change as well as realizing Indonesia's nationally determined contribution (NDC) document targets.

Hence, Indonesia is implementing three strategies to achieve the FOLU Net Sink 2030, namely sustainable forest management, environmental governance, and carbon governance.

Director general of sustainable forest management at the LHK Ministry, Agus Justianto, said that the forestry sector will also play an important role in post-COVID-19 economic recovery and the transition to a sustainable economy.

Hence, currently, the government is encouraging the implementation of multi-business forestry.

"Development of multi-business forestry will optimize sustainable forest use, including timber, non-timber, and environmental service products," the director general said.

The government is also trying to simplify and improve licensing services to support the development of multi-business forestry.

These efforts are expected to increase the economic value of forests, boost export performance, create jobs, and improve community welfare.

General chairperson of the Indonesian Forestry Entrepreneurs Association (APHI), Indroyono Soesilo, said that the holders of forest utilization business permits (PBPH) across Indonesia are ready to support the government in achieving the FOLU Net Sink 2030 target.

PBPH holders are preparing a number of climate change mitigation actions, which include preventing deforestation and land degradation, developing sustainable production forests, rehabilitating and restoring peatlands, as well as protecting biodiversity, he informed.

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He said that US\$14 billion is required to finance the mitigation actions.

"About 55 percent of the amount, or (equivalent to) US\$7.7 billion, comes from private investment," Soesilo added.

International cooperation is also needed to support these actions, he said.

The launch of SOIFO 2022 was carried out on Tuesday (October 4, 2022) on the sidelines of the 26th Session of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Committee on Forestry (COFO 26) at the FAO's Headquarters in Rome, Italy.

Indonesia invited all delegates attending COFO 26 to share their best practices on sustainable forest management as well as their ideas for realizing global climate mitigation collaboration.

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