



Update RE: Donations to Aceh Sumatra and Relief Work by PPKGO, CV Trimaju & ForesTrade

How Your Donations to Coffee Kids, Café Femenino Foundation and Counterpart International are Being Used in the Sumatra Relief Effort:

Donations will be used to help relief efforts for coffee growers and their families in the Takengon coffee region, as well as, providing emergency aid to the most severely affected areas in Aceh Province. Currently the areas identified as having the greatest needs for relief work are in the coastal areas of Banda Aceh in the north and Bireun on the east coast.

Immediate/Emergency Relief Efforts Will Address:

1. Collection and delivery of rice, fresh vegetables, sarongs and blankets for people in Banda Aceh and Bireun where immediate relief needs are the greatest.
2. Provision of temporary shelter to those people who lost their homes in the coffee growing area of Takengon as a result of the earthquakes.

The current immediacy is for food, shelter and medicines. When these immediate needs are alleviated, and if resources permit, relief efforts will later expand to include the following activities.

3. Reparation of water systems in coffee growing communities to ensure clean water supplies
4. Reconstruction of homes in Takengon coffee growing communities

ForesTrade's local offices in Indonesia and the US are monitoring the use of donated funds and documenting the results of your support.

The funds used to date, to initiate, and mobilize these relief efforts have come from ForesTrade, PPKGO and CV Trimaju, including \$11,500 sent by ForesTrade. As donations are received and channeled from **Coffee Kids**, **Café Femenino Foundation** and **Counterpart International**, funds will be used to further support these efforts and increase our ability to reach out and help those in need.

The PPKGO's Direct Mobilization Efforts:

- Immediately after the earthquake struck on December 26th, PPKGO and our partnering coffee processor CV Trimaju provided temporary shelter to people in the Gayo Highlands who lost their homes in the earthquake.
- A search party was sent from Takengon to Banda Aceh to try and locate family members, and especially children from the coffee communities who were attending schools in the Capitol City. Tragically, 13 children of PPKGO members are still missing and presumed to be dead. Many other people are still unaccounted for.
- Tuesday January 4th, PPKGO and CV Trimaju collected 8 truckloads of rice, fresh vegetables, and other supplies from Takengon and 20 coop members loaded up their trucks and drove down to Banda Aceh to distribute the food and supplies. This was the second round of such deliveries.
- A delivery of food and supplies was also made to Bireun on Aceh's east coast.
- With each delivery the members are staying in the area for 3 to 5 days and volunteering their time and labor to help in the relief work.

The PPKGO has a long standing history of community relations and promoting humanitarian activities in the Takengon area. ForesTrade wants to ensure all charitable donors that any relief work resulting from your donations are being broadly distributed to all those communities in need in Takengon, and critical areas in Aceh Province.

ForesTrade expects to receive photos and other documentation about the relief efforts shortly and will share these with you as soon as they are available.

We thank you for all your donations made to the relief efforts, and for your continued support and solidarity with our friends in Sumatra.