

# MSPO CERTIFICATION SUMMARY REPORT

# **APOGEE PLANTATION SDN BHD**

**ANNUAL SURVEILLANCE AUDIT 02** 

Remote Audit Date: 28/06/2021 - 29/06/2021

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#### **Abbreviations**

CHRA Chemical Health Risk Assessment

CPO Crude Palm Oil

CSR Corporate Social Responsibility
DOE Department of Environment

**EFB** Empty Fruit Bunch

**EIA** Environment Impact Assessment

FFB Fresh Fruit Bunch

GAP Good Agricultural Practice
GPS Global Positioning System

ISCC International Sustainability & Carbon Certification

ISO International Standard Organisation

MSPO Malaysia Sustainable Palm Oil

NC Non Conformity

**OSH** Occupational Safety and Health

**P&C** Principle and Criteria

PK Palm Kernel

POME Palm Oil Mill Effluent

PPE Personal Protective Equipment
RSPO Roundtable Sustainable Palm Oil

RTE Rare, Threatened and Endangered Species

SA8000 Social Accountability 8000
SIA Social Impact Assessment
SOP Standard Operating Procedure
WHO World Health Organization
MPOB Malaysian Palm Oil Board

MPOCC Malaysia Palm Oil Certification Council

SDS Safety Data Sheet

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Mode of Audit:

Apogee Plantation Sdn Bhd has commissioned TUV NORD (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd to conduct an annual surveillance audit for its oil palm estate according to MS 2530-3:2013 Part 3 General principles for Oil Palm Plantations and Organised Smallholders.

#### 1.1. Objective

The objective of this surveillance audit is to assess the estate by an independent certification body with the aim for compliance of the standard.

#### 1.2. Scope

The assessment is based on the documentation established by the Apogee Plantation Sdn Bhd.

The supporting documents are provided to the audit team as well as information received by means of interviews and background investigation.

The documents and information are reviewed against the requirements and criteria based on MS 2530-3:2013 Part 3 General principles for Oil Palm Plantations and Organised Smallholders.

TUV NORD Malaysia has employed a risk-based approach in the audit, focusing on the identification of significant risks and reliability of the assessment and reporting.

The following references are used as part of the assessment; the compliance of the requirements out of the guidelines applied was checked.

- 1. Malaysian Sustainable Palm Oil Part 3: General Principles for Oil Palm Plantations and Organised Smallholders audit guidance;
- 2. Palm Oil Supply Chain Traceability Requirements

#### 1.3. Appointment and qualification of team members

The audit team appointed consists of one team leader and one team member. The audit team members contributed to the review of documents, the assessment of the project activity and preparation of the report.

#### Qualification of the Lead Auditor: Joseph Sim Siaw Seng

Requirement	Qualifications
Post-secondary education, college or university diploma / degree in one of the following	Graduate in Diploma in Occupational Safety and Health
i) Agriculture;	
ii) Science & Technology (e.g. Environmental Sciences, Life Sciences, Geological Sciences, Natural Sciences,);	
iii) Engineering, Process Technology;	
iv) Energy Management, Quality Management;	

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Requirement	Qualifications
v) Social Sciences and/or Anthropology; vi) Business Management; or vii) Other relevant related fields	
At least five (5) years of work experience in the oil palm sector or related field in consultancy / auditing of similar industry or equivalent related to and as necessary for the certification process. (e.g., sustainability, palm oil management; agriculture, ecology; social science)	4 years of working experiences in Health and Safety and 3 years of working experiences in plantations.
Successfully completed MPOCC endorsed lead auditor trainings	Successfully completed MS2530 series of standards for Lead Auditors.
Conducted at least three (3) MSPO or equivalent sustainability certification audits as Lead Auditor-in-training with a minimum of fifteen (15) mandays under the supervision of a qualified Lead Auditor for MSPO or equivalent sustainability certification schemes within the last two (2) years.	Qualified as Lead auditor for MSPO scheme.
Field working experience in the palm oil sector or demonstrable equivalent	4 years of working experiences in Health and Safety and 3 years of working experiences in plantations.
Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) and Integrated Pest Management (IPM), pesticide and fertilizer use	4 years of working experiences in Health and Safety and 3 years of working experiences in plantations.
Successfully completed Quality Management Systems (QMS) ISO9001 standard	Successfully completed IMS ISO 9001, 14001, 45001 Lead Auditor course.
Health and safety auditing on the estate processes and activities  Or  Successfully completed Occupational, Health & Safety Management System ISO 45001 standard	Successfully completed IMS ISO 9001, 14001, 45001 Lead Auditor course.
Workers welfare and social auditing experience	Successfully completed Basic SA 8000 training.
or	
Successfully attended SA8000 or related social or ethical accountability codes	
Environmental and ecological auditing or experience with organic agriculture.	Successfully completed IMS ISO 9001, 14001, 45001 LA course training attended.
or	
Successfully completed Environmental Management Systems ISO 14001 standard	

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Requirement	Qualifications
Attended High Conversation Value Assessment training	Attended and completed the HCV-HCS for producer online course.
Able to communicate in Bahasa Malaysia, English and / or any other local language.	Able to communicate in Bahasa Malaysia, Mandarin and English.

#### **Qualification of Team Member**

Requirement	Name of Assessor	Qualification	Compliance
Post-secondary education, college or university diploma / degree in one of the following	Mohamad Norhisham Bin Mohd Salleh	Graduate in Applied Science (Major in Agrobiology).	Yes
i) Agriculture;			
ii) Science & Technology (e.g. Environmental Sciences, Life Sciences, Geological Sciences, Natural Sciences,);			
iii) Engineering, Process Technology;			
iv) Energy Management, Quality Management;			
v) Social Sciences and/or Anthropology;			
vi) Business Management; or			
vii) Other relevant related fields			
At least five (5) years of work experience in the oil palm sector or related field in consultancy / auditing of similar industry or equivalent related to and as necessary for the certification process. (e.g., sustainability, palm oil management; agriculture, ecology; social science)	Mohamad Norhisham Bin Mohd Salleh	5 years working experience in oil palm plantations.	Yes
Successfully completed MPOCC endorsed lead auditor trainings	Mohamad Norhisham Bin Mohd Salleh	Successfully completed MS2530 series of standards for Lead Auditors	Yes
Conducted a minimum six (6) on-site audits for a total of at least 20 mandays of audit experience as an auditor-in-training under the direction and guidance of a qualified Lead Auditor for MSPO or equivalent sustainability certification schemes.	Mohamad Norhisham Bin Mohd Salleh	Qualified as Lead auditor for MSPO scheme	Yes

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Requirement	Name of Assessor	Qualification	Compliance
Field working experience in the palm oil sector or demonstrable equivalent	Mohamad Norhisham Bin Mohd Salleh	5 years working experience in oil palm plantations.	Yes
Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) and Integrated Pest Management (IPM), pesticide and fertilizer use	Mohamad Norhisham Bin Mohd Salleh	5 years working experience in oil palm plantations.	Yes
Successfully completed Quality Management Systems (QMS) ISO9001 standard	Mohamad Norhisham Bin Mohd Salleh	Successfully completed IMS ISO 9001 Lead Auditor course.	Yes
Health and safety auditing of the estate processes and activities  Or	Mohamad Norhisham Bin Mohd Salleh	Successfully completed IMS ISO 45001 Lead Auditor course.	Yes
Successfully completed Occupational, Health & Safety Management System ISO 45001 standard			
Workers welfare and social auditing experience	Mohamad Norhisham Bin Mohd Salleh	Successfully completed SA 8000 Basic training	Yes
or			
Successfully attended SA8000 or related social or ethical accountability codes			
Environmental and ecological auditing or experience with organic agriculture.	Mohamad Norhisham Bin Mohd Salleh	Successfully completed IMS ISO 14001 Lead Auditor course.	Yes
or			
Successfully completed Environmental Management Systems ISO 14001 standard			
Completed High Conversation Value assessment	Mohamad Norhisham Bin Mohd Salleh	Attended and completed the HCV-HCS for producer online course.	Yes
Able to communicate in Bahasa Malaysia, English and / or any other local language.	Mohamad Norhisham Bin Mohd Salleh	Able to communicate in Bahasa Malaysia and English.	Yes

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#### METHODOLOGY

The audit approach consists of the following steps:

- Appointment of team members;
- Contact client for relevant documentation according to the applicable MSPO standards;
- Audit planning;
- Background investigation, desk review of submitted documents;
- Assessment, inspections, interviews operational personnel, workers, contractors; review of documentation;
- Reporting
- Resolution of non-conformance (NC) (if any)
- Draft audit reporting
- Technical review
- Final audit reporting
- Final approval, certification decision and issuance of certificate.

#### **Annual Surveillance Audit:**

The Annual Surveillance Audit is conducted remotely on 28/06/2021 - 29/06/2021 covering the following activities but not limited to below:

#### Remote

- Confirmation of the appropriate interactive communication tools as describe in IAF MD4
- Virtual review of documentation established but not limited to below
  - Policies
  - Estate map
  - Land titles
  - Standard Operating Procedures
  - Work Flow Charts
  - Management Plans
  - Operating licenses and approvals
  - Operating records
  - Training records
  - Applicable Legislation Documents
- Virtual inspection of estate facilities and field activities;

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- Virtual interview operation personnel and field workers for understanding of work assigned;
- Virtual stakeholders' communication; If required
- Reviewed revised and updated documentation established and implemented;
- Reports established;
- Work plans established;
- · Review and closed out of non-conformance raised during in last audit

#### **Remote Assessment**

The audit of the estate is conducted according to the MS 2530-3:2013 Part 3 General principles for Oil Palm Plantations and Organised Smallholders.

The methodology for collection of objective evidence by means of virtual site inspections, observation of tasks and processes, interview workers and operation personnel, review of documentation and data. Checklists and questionnaires were used to guide the collection of information.

This remote audit is conducted in accordance to MPOCC Updated Circular (22 March 2021) Guidance on Remote Audits due to Covid-19 Pandemic on travelling restrictions.

The remote audit follow the IAF MD4:2018 and as guided by the ISO 9001 Auditing Practices Group Guidance on Remote Audits

The communication tool applied for remote audit are Google meet, WhatsApp and Telephone.

For remote surveillance audit, Apogee Plantation Sdn Bhd has 1 estate. Therefore, no selection required.

Table 2-1: Estate(s) Selected

Name of Estate	Coordinates
Apogee Plantation Sdn Bhd	N 5°34'17.9", E 117°23'02.0"

#### Non-conformance:

On the basis of the desk review, evidences presented during the audits as well as from the onsite visits non-conformance (NC) Major, Minor and Opportunity for Improvement (OFI) may be raised during the audit.

Major non-conformance shall be addressed and responded with 60 days from closing date of audit. For minor non-conformances raised and action plan to be submitted within 30 days from closing date of audit for review and acceptance. Implementation of Minor NC will be review and verify in the next audit.

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#### 3. ORGANISATION INFORMATION

Apogee Plantation Sdn Bhd is an oil palm plantation company located at Block 5, Lot 2 & 3, Ground Floor Bandar Indah, 90706 Sandakan, Sabah.

The details of the estate as below:

Name of Estate	Location	Coordinates
Apogee Plantation Sdn Bhd	Mile 69, Jalan Telupid, Telupid, Beluru, Sabah, Malaysia	N 5°34'17.9", E 117°23'02.0"

#### 3.1. Production volume

Name of Estate	Area (Ha)		Projected FFB Production (mt)	
Name of Estate	Total*	Production**	(May 2021 to Dec 2021)	
Apogee Plantation	274.06 Ha	244.36 Ha	4,000.00 mt	
Total	274.06 Ha	244.36 Ha	4,000.00 mt	

<sup>\*</sup>includes productive and non-productive area (infrastructures, conservation, HCV, housing & office compound use, set aside area etc.)

#### 3.2. Planting Program of Estate

Year / Estate	Apogee Plantation Sdn Bhd
2002	109.54
2003	123.89
2004	10.93
Total Mature	244.36
Total Immature	-
Total	244.36

#### 3.3. Replanting program of Estate

Year of replanting	Planted area (ha) in each division	Total area to be replanted (ha)
NIL	NIL	NIL
TOTAL	-	-

Apogee Plantation Sdn Bhd has not establish replanting programme since the palms are still in the production phase. The expected 1st replanting is in year 2025.

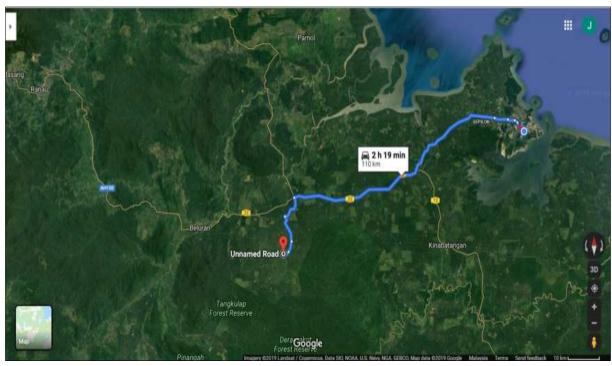
<sup>\*\*</sup>Immature + Mature Area

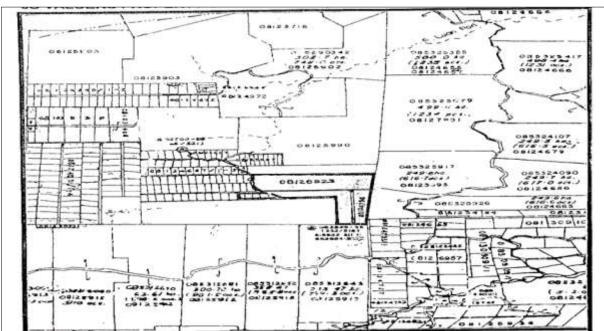
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## 3.4. Maps of Estate Location





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#### **CERTIFICATION ASSESSMENT**

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#### 4.1. ASA 02

The objective of the audit is to assess the activities of the estate is in compliance with MS 2530-3:2013 Part 3 General principles for Oil Palm Plantations and Organised Smallholders.

#### 4.1.1. Surveillance Audit:

The remote surveillance audit is conducted on 28/06/2021 to 29/06/2021 covering one estate.

During the remote surveillance audit, there are 3 Opportunities for Improvement (OFI) are raised.

For details of the assessment, refer summary of assessment for each indicator in section 4.3 of this report.

The audit findings if any, raised in this audit refer to Section 4.6 of this report.

#### 4.2. Stakeholders' Consultation

According to ACB - OPMC 4 Issue 2 dated 04/09/2020, Stakeholder Consultation Requirements Section 6: Consultation during audit, §6.1: During the stage 2 and recertification audit of the management unit, the CB shall carry out stakeholder consultation to ensure continued compliance with the requirements of the certification standards. However, stakeholders' consultation during surveillance audit may be limited to those stakeholders who have raised concerns, complaints or disputes prior to the audit.

Therefore, there is no physical stakeholder's consultation conducted for this surveillance audit.

#### 4.3. Summary of Assessment

#### Principle and Criteria Assessment Summary

The assessment team conduct a thorough assessment of each principle and criteria. Over the 5 years' period of the certificate cycle, there will be 4 annual surveillance audits with all criterions will be assessed. Evidences are sought for conformity with the MSPO 2530-3. The summary of the assessment as below, where the "Findings/Comments" column reflects the findings in accordance with each indicator or evidences and when non conformity is found. Summary of the non-conformity can be found below in section 4.6

Principle 1: Management Commitment & responsibility				
Indicator	Summary of Assessment	Compliance		
4.1.1.1	Apogee Plantation established the Sustainability Policy (MSPO policy) dated 01/01/2019 and signed by Managing Director.	Yes		
	The policy available in Bahasa Malaysia and English and publicly available at office notice board.			
	Sustainability policy briefing is conducted on 10/01/2021 for internal stakeholders and 11/06/2021 for external stakeholders by email.			
	Phone call interview with workers they are briefed on MSPO policy.			

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Principle '	Principle 1: Management Commitment & responsibility			
Indicator	Summary of Assessment	Compliance		
4.1.1.2	Apogee Plantation established the Sustainability Policy (MSPO policy) dated 01/01/2019 and signed by Managing Director.	Yes		
	Apogee Plantation included a statement on commitment to continuous improvement in the Sustainability policy.			
	The policy state that "we are committed to adhere to MSPO Certification principles and criteria that will ensure sustainability and continuous improvement".			
4.1.2.1	Apogee Plantation established SOP for internal audit, updated 22/10/2019.	Yes		
	The internal audit SOP stated internal audit will be conducted at least once a year.			
	Remote document review on latest internal audit is conducted on 15/03/2021.			
4.1.2.2	Apogee Plantation established SOP for internal audit, updated 22/10/2019. The result of internal audit is identified based on Yes, No or Not applicable category.	Yes		
	Finding: Disposal method of scheduled wastes.			
	Root cause analysis: Availability of scheduled wastes authorised contractor			
	Action plan: To dispose scheduled wastes via authorised contractor			
	PIC: Plantation Manager			
	Time frame: On going.			
	Document review on Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) updated 16/04/2021, the issue has been identified for continuous improvement.			
	Document review on scheduled waste record, the volume is below 20 mt and not more than 180 days. Phone call interview with estate management informed estate had contacted with authorised contractor for the disposal,			
4.1.2.3	Apogee Plantation conducted management review meeting on 01/04/2021.	Yes		
	Internal audit results and action plan are discussed in the management review meeting minutes.			
4.1.3.1	Apogee Plantation conducted management review dated 01/04/2021 includes:	Yes		
	Internal audit review			
	MSPO compliance			
	Operation matters			
	Complaint and grievances issues			
	Employee's safety & health issues			

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Principle	e 1: Management Commitment & responsibility			
Indicator	Summary of Assessment	Compliance		
	Employee's welfare & benefits.			
4.1.4.1	Apogee Plantation established Continual Improvement Programme (CIP) dated 16/04/2021.	Yes		
	The CIP includes:			
	Environment			
	Waste reduction			
	Pollution and emission			
	Social impact.			
	Review on CIP table include activity, unit, time frame implement date, person in-charge, improvement action to be taken, expected outcome and completion date.			
	Example:			
	Improvement Action: Ensure all employees have enough water supply			
	Expected outcomes: Ensure water tanks for each household at 2 x 400 gallon tank			
	Time Frame: Continues program			
	Review and monitor: To ensure sufficient water tanks and in good condition			
	Location: Estate			
	Responsibility: Estate Manager & Plantation Manager			
	Status Review: Continuously monitored.			
	Remote photo verification at worker housing, 2 water tanks are provided for each household.			
4.1.4.2	Apogee Plantation established the flowchart for new technology information and technique dated 29/03/2019.	Yes		
	The flowchart includes the initial part of communication with new technology supply or product, implementation and monitoring for further improvement.			
	Phone call interviewed with estate management informed no new techniques or new technology implemented as at audit date.			
4.1.4.3	The flowchart for new technology information and technique highlighted that worker will be informed on the new information, technique and technology when it is ready for implementation.	Yes		
	Phone call interview with management, informed there is no new technology currently implemented at the estate.			

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Principle 2: Transparency			
Indicator	Summary of Assessment	Compliance	
4.2.1.1	Apogee Plantation established list of publicly available document and information dated 25/03/2019.	Yes	
	The available documents are in both Bahasa Malaysia and English languages and displayed at estate notice board.		
	As of audit date, no request of information observed in the record book.		
4.2.1.2	Apogee Plantation establish list of publicly documents dated 25/03/2019.	Yes	
	Example of publicly documents:		
	Company Policies		
	Complaint and Grievances		
	Information procedure.		
	Example of confidential documents:		
	Financial Statements		
	Summary of land titles.		
4.2.2.1	Apogee Plantation established Consultation and Communication Procedure updated 06/08/2019 has includes the complaints and grievances procedure.	Yes	
	Apogee Plantation defined the time frame for procedures as below:		
	Complaint and Grievance: 30 days		
	Sexual Harassment: 14 days.		
	Document review on stakeholders meeting minute, the procedure is communicated to workers dated 10/01/2021 and external stakeholders dated 11/06/2021 through email.		
4.2.2.2	Apogee Plantation Consultation and Communication Procedure stated office executive is the appointed person to handle consultation and communication.	Yes	
4.2.2.3	Apogee Plantation established list of stakeholders that include authorities, neighbouring estates, contractors, suppliers and mills.	Yes	
	Remote document review on the stakeholders request information log book, there is no request for information from stakeholders and this was confirmed with Estate Manager.		
4.2.3.1	Apogee Plantation established standard operating procedure (SOP) on traceability system.	Yes	
	List of documents involved in traceability are:		
	Harvesting records		
	FFB Delivery Notes		
	Weighbridge Tickets		

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Principle 2: Transparency			
Indicator	Summary of Assessment	Compliance	
4.2.3.2	Apogee Plantation monitor the traceability system records on daily basis at estate operation and monthly basis at head office.	Yes	
	Internal audit was conducted on 15/03/2021 includes traceability as part of element audited.		
4.2.3.3	Apogee Plantation appoints Estate Manager as person in charge to maintain the traceability system records in estate as stated in Traceability SOP.	Yes	
4.2.3.4	Apogee Plantation maintain records of sales and delivery of FFBs.	Yes	
	Remotely review on Apogee Plantation FFB delivery chit and mill weighbridge ticket dated 21/06/2021 from estate to mill are well maintained.		
	Example:		
	FFB delivery chit information;		
	1. DO Number: A5756		
	2. Date: 21/06/2021		
	3. Vehicle no: SS662K.		
	Mill weighbridge ticket information;		
	1. Ticket no: 245848		
	2. DO number: A5756		
	3. FFB net weight: 15.94 mt		
	4. Date: 21/06/2021.		
	All the stated information can be trace to Apogee Plantation FFB delivery note.		

Principle 3	Principle 3: Compliance to legal requirements			
Indicator	Summary of Assessment	Compliance		
4.3.1.1	Apogee Plantation established Summary of Licenses 2021, dated 01/01/2021.	Yes		
	Example of licenses and validity date:			
	MPOB License No: 5023160200 valid until 31/07/2021			
	Business license No: A 245072 valid until 31/12/2021			
	<ul> <li>Labour license No: JTK.H.SDK.600-4/1/1/01261/002178 valid until 01/04/2022.</li> </ul>			
4.3.1.2	Apogee Plantation established master list of legal requirements dated 01/06/2021.	Yes		
	Example:			

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Principle	Principle 3: Compliance to legal requirements			
Indicator	Summary of Assessment	Compliance		
	Employment Information Act 1953			
	Employment Provident Fund Act 1991			
	Environment Protection Enactment 2002			
	Environmental Quality (Amendment) Act 2012			
	Prevention and Control of Infectious Diseases Act 2020.			
4.3.1.3	Apogee Plantation established List of Laws, Regulations and Guidelines Descriptions dated 01/06/2021.	Yes		
	The list is reviewed annually and will be updated when necessary.			
4.3.1.4	Apogee Plantation List of Laws, Regulations and Guidelines Descriptions dated 01/06/2021 stated person in charge for legal update is Office Executive.	Yes		
4.3.2.1	Apogee Plantation land titles are native titles issued by Sabah Land Authority.	Yes		
	Therefore, will not diminish land use rights of other users since the owner is native people.			
4.3.2.2	Apogee Plantation land titles are native titles issued by Sabah Land Authority.	Yes		
	Document review on APSB land titles, the actual usage of land is cultivation of agricultural crops of economic value.			
4.3.2.3	Apogee Plantation land titles includes maps, total area, location and boundary stone numbering.	Yes		
	Remote photo verification, boundary marker is marked with a boundary stone and wooden stick in red.			
4.3.2.4	Apogee Plantation land titles are issued by State Land Department and no disputed related to the land titles.	Yes		
	Therefore, no disputes found during document review.			
4.3.3.1	Apogee Plantation land titles are native titles issued by Sabah Land Authority. No customary land titles listed in the summary of land titles.	Yes		
4.3.3.2	There is no customary right land leased or owned by Apogee Plantation. Therefore, no maps established.	Yes		
4.3.3.3	There is no customary land leased or owned by Apogee Plantation. Therefore, no FPIC or negotiated documents established.	Yes		

Principle 4: Social Responsibility, health, safety and employment conditions				
Indicator	Indicator Summary of Assessment			
4.4.1.1	Apogee Plantation established SIA updated on 16/06/2021.	Yes		

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Principle 4	Principle 4: Social Responsibility, health, safety and employment conditions			
Indicator	Summary of Assessment	Compliance		
	The SIA report include feedback from internal and external stakeholders, impacts, action plan, person in charge and time frame.			
	A table in the SIA report describing the positive impacts, promoting measure, negative impacts and mitigation measures. The identified positive impacts are address.			
	Example:			
	Activity / Process: Safety is maintained with zero serious injuries and hospital admissions to date			
	Positive impact: Promote positive health and safety work culture			
	Promoting measure: Continuing to monitor and also train new workers on the correct SOP for operations to ensure safe work environment for all. Additionally, SOP on infectious diseases have been implemented and updated on our Occupational Health and Safety Policy			
	Phone call interview with worker inform they have been briefed on SOP for operation and OSH policy dated 10/01/2021.			
4.4.2.1	Apogee Plantation established a flow chart for complaint and grievances dated 25/03/2019.	Yes		
	The flowchart described the process of complaint and grievances starting from rising, receiving complaint form to resolution of complaint.			
	Estate Manager appointed as person in charge to handle matters related to complaint and grievances.			
	Phone call interview with workers informed they understand the complaint and grievances process.			
4.4.2.2	Apogee Plantation complaint and grievance record book is remotely reviewed with no complaints and grievances lodged by internal and external stakeholders as of audit date.	Yes		
4.4.2.3	Remote photo verification the complaint and grievance form and box are located at Apogee Plantation estate office and security post gate.	Yes		
	Phone call interview with workers informed they aware of the location of complaint box and form.			
4.4.2.4	Apogee Plantation conducted complaint and grievances briefing to workers on 10/01/2021.	Yes		
	Phone call interview with workers informed they attended the training conducted and understand the procedure.			
4.4.2.5	The Apogee Plantation complaint and grievance record book reviewed with no complaints and grievances lodged as at audit date.	Yes		
	The complaint record is maintained since August 2019 until audit date.			
4.4.3.1	Apogee Plantation contributed to local people by offering jobs opportunity for local community and no job application received from the local communities yet.	Yes		

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Principle 4	Principle 4: Social Responsibility, health, safety and employment conditions			
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4.4.4.1		ee Plantation established OSH policy dated 01/06/2019 signed by ging Director.	Yes	
	impor health mana	colicy states that "The company recognize its employees as the most tant and biggest asset. It strives to continuously provide a safe and my environment in all company's workplaces. The joint effort of the gement and all level of employees is very crucial in order to achieve oble aspiration."		
	Remo board	ote photo verification, OSH policy is displayed at the estate notice l.		
		ment review on meeting minutes, workers are briefed on the policy afety management plan on 10/01/2021.		
4.4.4.2	а	Apogee Plantation established Occupational Safety and Health policy updated 01/06/2019 signed by Managing Director.	Yes	
		Remote document reviewed on company policies briefing includes OSH policy briefing conducted on 10/01/2021.		
		Phone call interview with estate workers informed they have been briefed of the safety and health practices in the workplace.		
	b	Apogee Plantation HIRARC is establish for respective operation activities applicable to the estate base on the risk assessment table, last updated 27/08/2020.	Yes	
		The table with headings: Activity, Hazard, Risk and Effects, Risk Assessment (Consequences, Likelihood, Risk Risking), Existing Control, Risk Control Proposal, PIC, Risk Assessment after Control (Consequences, Likelihood, Risk rating, Description) Date review.		
		Example:		
		Activity: Prevention of infectious disease		
		Hazard: Spread of Covid-19 virus		
		Risk and Effect: Cut or Injury		
		Risk Assessment: Losses of lives		
		Consequence: 5		
		Likelihood: 2		
		Risk Rating: 10		
		Existing Control: Covid 19 SOP		
		Risk Control Proposal: safety briefing / training / enforcement of Covid 19 SOP		
		PIC: Estate Manager / Mandore		
		Risk Assessment after control:		
		Consequence: 4		

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		Likelihood: 2	
		Risk Rating: 8	
		Description: M	
		Next review date: 27/08/2021.	
		From remote document review on HIRARC table and phone call interview with estate management, Apogee Plantation review HIRARC yearly with the latest update on 27/08/2020.	
		Phone call interview with workers informed they have been briefed on Covid 19 SOP on 10/01/2021.	
	сi	Apogee Plantation workers are briefed on safe work practices SOP on 10/01/2021.	Yes
		Phone call interview with workers informed they briefed on safe work practices.	
	c ii	Apogee Plantation SDS is available at chemical, fertilizer and diesel stores.	Yes
		Example:	
		- Chemical Petronas Hydraulic 46 (mineral or synthetic oil) revision date 10/03/2017.	
		Document review on SDS is available in English and Malaysia language.	
		Photo verification the chemical store is in good condition and locked. Liquid chemical placed in tray below and powder chemical placed on top.	
	d	Apogee Plantation established records of PPEs issuance and review on the records are maintained and updated.	Yes
		Type of PPE for activity in accordance to HIRARC and CHRA assessment is identified.	
		Example: Chemical Application	
		Goggles, Face Mask, Apron, Rubber Boots and Rubber Gloves.	
		Phone call interview with workers informed medical surgical mask is given to them for the precautionary of Covid-19.	
		Document review on the PPE issuance record is well maintained.	
	е	Apogee Plantation established SOP for safe work procedure chemical mixing date 01/07/2019 with pictorial diagram made available at chemical store and pre-mixing area.	Yes
		Document review on CHRA is conducted on date 05/03/2019 and valid for 5 years.	

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		Remote photo verification at chemical store, all chemicals have original labelling and in original packaging.		
	f	Apogee Plantation appoints Estate Manager to be the person incharge of safety and health.	Yes	
	g	Apogee Plantation has a total number of 35 workers. Establishment of Safety and Health Committee is not applicable as per Occupational Safety and Health Act 1996 section 30 requirements.	Yes	
		However, discussion on safety and health agenda and Covid-19 was documented in the minutes meeting of stakeholder consultation on 10/01/2021.		
	h	Apogee Plantation established ERP in OSHMP section 4 Emergency Response and list of emergency contact persons and numbers.	Yes	
		Remote photo verification, emergency contact details are display at the estate office notice board.		
		Document review training record on emergency drill and fire drill is conducted on 10/01/2021.		
		Briefing on the prevention of Covid-19 has been conducted on 10/01/2021 and workers have been informed on the SOP and personal hygiene practices.		
	i	Apogee Plantation first aid training conducted on 23/06/2019 by Red Crescent Sandakan.	Yes	
		The security post guard, estate clerk and estate supervisor are trained as first aiders.		
		First aid kits available at work site, estate office and housing manage by estate manager and mandore.		
	j	Apogee Plantation JKKP8 form for year 2020 submitted to DOSH on 29/01/2021. No injuries or accident reported in year 2020.	Yes	
		Records of injuries are kept and maintained at estate office.		
4.4.5.1		ee Plantation established Human Rights Policy dated 01/01/2019 by Managing Director.	Yes	
	Remo board	te photo verification, Human Right policy is displayed at estate notice .		
		ment review on stakeholders meeting minutes, Human Right policy riefed to workers on 10/01/2021.		
		e call interview with workers informed they are briefed on the Good I Practice policy.		
4.4.5.2	Apogee Plantation Recruitment and Selection Policy dated 01/01/2019 include a statement "Commit to the fair treatment of its staff or users of its services, regardless of nationality, age, gender, religion, responsibilities for		Yes	

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	dependents, age, physical and / or mental disability or offending background."			
	Phone call interview with workers no discrimination practices in estate.			
4.4.5.3	Apogee Plantation established employment contract for workers in accordance to Sabah Labour Ordinance and Minimum Wage Order 2018.	Yes		
	The employment contract includes the agreed piece rate or hourly rate and salary during holiday & medical leave.			
	Based on pay slips review, workers are paid according to the agreed piece rate or hourly rate.			
4.4.5.4	Apogee Plantation does not engage contractors for field activities in the plantation.	Yes		
	Therefore, no documents established for review.			
4.4.5.5	Apogee Plantation established summary list of workers includes name, gender, DOB, Nationality, Passport no, DOE and job description.	Yes		
4.4.5.6	Apogee Plantation established employment contract signed by both estate management and workers.	Yes		
	Work Contract details in accordance to Sabah Labour requirements that include annual leave, public holidays, sick leave, maternity leave and working hours.			
	Phone call interview with workers informed they are briefed on employment contract signed and its contents. They are provided a copy for their safekeeping.			
4.4.5.7	Apogee Plantation used the check roll records system to monitor the workers reporting work and record workers working hours on daily basis.	Yes		
	Remote photo verification, working hours are displayed at estate office notice board.			
	Phone call interview with workers informed they understand the estate working hours.			
4.4.5.8	Apogee Plantation working hours are complying with Sabah Labour Ordinance 1950 (Chapter 67).	Yes		
	Standard working hours throughout the estate within Apogee Plantation:			
	Working hours: 6.00 am to 02.00 pm			
	Break time: 11.00 am to 12.00 noon.			
	Phone call interview with workers informed they understand on estate working hours.			
4.4.5.9	Apogee Plantation established pay slip records to document workers' wages.	Yes		

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	Reviewed and verified pay slip for May 2021, workers are paid on piece rated basis for harvesting and pruning as described in the contract agreement.			
4.4.5.10	Apogee Plantation provides benefits to foreign workers such as medical, annual leave, sick leave, SOCSO and public holidays as listed in the employment contract.	Yes		
4.4.5.11	Apogee Plantation adopted the industry best practices for workers housing quarters with electricity and water supplies.	Yes		
	Remote photo verification, the living quarters has basic amenities and sufficient space for the family or those unmarried.			
4.4.5.12	Apogee Plantation establish Prevention and Eradication of Sexual Harassment in work place policy dated 01/01/2019 signed by Managing Director.	Yes		
	Remote document review, policy states the commitments and action taken on harassment complaints.			
	There are no complaints related to sexual harassment.			
	Phone call interview workers aware and understand the Harassment policy. They informed no sexual harassment occur in their workplace.			
4.4.5.13	Apogee Plantation establish Equal Opportunity Employment & Freedom of Association policy dated 01/01/2019 signed by Managing Director.	Yes		
	The policy includes a statement "The freedom of association shall be initiated according to the Labour Laws and Immigration Act of Malaysia" and display at estate notice board.			
	Workers are briefed during internal stakeholders meeting on 10/01/2021 includes Equal Opportunity Employment & Freedom of Association policy.			
4.4.5.14	Apogee Plantation Recruitment and Selection policy dated 01/01/2019 include a statement the minimum employment age is 18 years and available at estate notice board.	Yes		
	Review on workers master list and interview workers by phone call informed no child and young labour working at this estate.			
4.4.6.1	Apogee Plantation established training procedure dated 10/08/2019 and annual training programme.	Yes		
	Type of training conducted:			
	<ul> <li>Orientation and training for new estate worker/staff conducted on 10/01/2021</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Covid-19 Precautionary Measures and briefing for workers conducted on 10/01/2021.</li> </ul>			
4.4.6.2	Apogee Plantation conducted trainings for worker based on the job assigned.	Yes		
	Example:			

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	- Harvesting SOP conducted on 10/01/2021 for harvester.			
	Orientation and training for new estate worker / staff conducted on 10/01/2021.			
4.4.6.3	Apogee Plantation Continuous Training Programme established on 01/01/2021 which includes training for health, safety, environment and social.	Yes		
	For examples:			
	MSPO Company Policies Briefing on January 2021			
	Demonstration of Emergency Procedure on January 2021			
	SOP Briefing on Related Work Scope / Operation on January 2021.			

Principle 5: Environment, natural resources, biodiversity and ecosystem services				
Indicator	Sun	nmary of Assessment	Compliance	
4.5.1.1		gee Plantation established Environmental Quality Policy dated 07/2020 signed by Managing Director.	Yes	
	The	policy states:		
		Company are committee to conduct Oil Palm Business in such a manner that potential impact on the environment is minimized		
		To run the business in compliance with all relevant environmental legislation and we shall strive to use pollution prevention and environmental best practices in all we do.		
	The	BB established Environmental management plan dated 28/04/2021. plan includes objectives, compliance to laws and regulation, ronmental aspects and impacts and action plan.		
		ne call interviewed with workers informed they were briefed on ironmental policy and EIP dated 10/01/2021.		
4.5.1.2		Apogee Plantation established Environmental Quality Policy describes purpose and objectives.	Yes	
		<ol> <li>To ensure a continuous awareness of the need to check and monitor key environmental components for Apogee Plantation Sdn Bhd (APSB) and take appropriate remedial measures to avoid environmental degradation.</li> </ol>		
		<ol><li>To protect the environment of APSB from neglect, mismanagement and irresponsible activities in daily operations.</li></ol>		
	3	<ol> <li>To ensure conformation to all the activities are within the law/Acts and legislation of State and Nation.</li> </ol>		
		Apogee Plantation established Environmental Management Plan dated 28/04/2021.	Yes	
		Example:		

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Principle 5	Principle 5: Environment, natural resources, biodiversity and ecosystem services			
Indicator	Summary of Assessment	Compliance		
	Activity: Chemical spraying			
	Aspect: Over spraying or spraying near to drains that lead to erosion.			
	Impacts: Pollution to soil and water			
	Risk: Moderate			
	Action Plan: Regular training and supervision conducted to ensure workers are adequately trained for frond cutting and placement			
	Person in charge: Estate Manager and supervisors			
	Phone call interviewed workers informed they are briefed on company environmental policy and management plan dated 10/01/2021.			
4.5.1.3	Apogee Plantation established Environment Management Plan dated 28/04/2021 include mitigation for negative impact and promote positive.	Yes		
	Example negative impact:			
	Activity: Storage of chemicals			
	Aspect: Spillage of chemicals and subsequent release into the environment			
	Impacts: Soil pollution			
	Risk: Moderate			
	Action Plan: Pre-mix room is set up and also use for chemical storage with area locked and only accessible by authorized personnel			
	Person in charge: Estate Manager.			
	Example of positive impact:			
	Activity: Pond			
	Aspect: Protection and Preservation of buffer zones in planted areas			
	Impacts: Reduced pollution to water, biodiversity and community impacts			
	Risk: Moderate			
	Action Plan: Training of estate workers and supervision not to do any chemical or weeding near the buffer zone			
	Person in charge: Estate Manager.			
4.5.1.4	Apogee Plantation established Continual Improvement Plan dated 16/04/2021.	Yes		
	Improvement action: To socialize all RTE species to employees and internal stakeholders if any			
	Expected outcome: Enhanced awareness of protected RTE species.			
	Timeframe: Completed			
	Person in charge: Estate Manager.			

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	Interview workers informed they are briefed on protected RTE species within the estate area.			
4.5.1.5	Apogee Plantation conducted briefing on Environmental Policy to workers dated 10/01/2021.	Yes		
	The objective in Environmental Management Plan has been informed to the workers on 11/01/2021. One of the objectives highlighted as below:			
	To protect the environmental of APSB from neglect, mismanagement and irresponsible activities in daily operations.			
4.5.1.6	Apogee Plantation most recent environmental meeting conducted on 11/01/2021.	Yes		
	The meeting includes workers to discuss related environmental issue.			
	Remote document review on APSB environmental meeting minute, no environmental issue raised by workers.			
	The frequency of the meeting is to be conducted once a year.			
4.5.2.1	Apogee Plantation established baseline value for diesel consumption from year 2016 to 2018.	Yes		
	Three years baseline value for fossil fuel usage is established from year 2016 and 2018 to monitor and compare the actual diesel usage in year 2020.			
	Diesel usage has increased in 2020 compared to the baseline period of 2016 to 2018 is mainly due to higher FFB production.			
4.5.2.2	Apogee Plantation established budgeted diesel usage for year 2021 and compared with monthly actual diesel consumption.	Yes		
	During remote document review the current actual diesel and electricity usage for 2021 is below the budget.			
	Diesel usage updated until April 2021 are lower than the budgeted due to low crops production.			
4.5.2.3	Apogee Plantation installed solar panel as source of electricity for estate office as per planned in Consumption of Non-Renewable Energy (Diesel) Summary Report.	Yes		
4.5.3.1	Apogee Plantation established Waste Management Plan dated 28/04/2021 identifying wastes category as solid, liquid and gas.	Yes		
	Example:			
	Solid: Pruned oil palm fronds			
	Source: Field			
	Liquid: Used lubricant oil			
	Source: FFB tractor			
	Gas: Carbon monoxide			

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Principle :	5: E	nvironment, natural resources, biodiversity and ecosystem services	<b>;</b>
Indicator	Su	Compliance	
	So	ource: Smoke from FFB tractor	
	Re de		
4.5.3.2	а	Apogee Plantation established Waste Management Plan dated 25/01/2021.	Yes
		The sources of wastes and pollutions are identified and monitored.	
		Waste: Pruned oil palm fronds	
		Source: Harvesting activity	
		Location: Field / Block	
		Action Plan: To implement correct method for fronds stacking; cut into three or more portion, stake thin layer close to the ground	
		Monitoring Plan: Pruning programme as per recommended by management. Workers conducted pruning on the month of May to June. Evidence of payment for pruning for May 2021 is reviewed	
		Responsibility: Estate Manager	
		Photo evidence reviewed and interview workers remotely informed cut off fronds are stacked properly at field.	
	b	Apogee Plantation Waste Management Plan identify type of wastes generated that could be reduce, reuse & re-cycle.	Yes
		Example:	
		Waste: Empty chemical container	
		Method: Reused	
		Usage for: Chemical pre-mix	
		Remote document review and phone call interview with workers informed they reuse the empty chemical containers after the empty chemical containers been triple rinsed.	
4.5.3.3	cla	ogee Plantation established the SOP on handling of used chemical that assified under Environment Quality (Scheduled Waste) Regulations 05 updated on 23/07/2020.	Yes
		e SOP stated to ensure proper storage and disposal of used chemical ch as spent engine oil, gear oil, lubricant, filter and rags.	
		one call interview with estate manager informed scheduled wastes are llected by service contractor after vehicle services.	
		npty chemical containers are triple rinse, mark and reused for chemical raying activity.	
4.5.3.4	Apogee Plantation established SOP for empty chemical container handling dated 23/07/2020.		Yes
	Th	e procedure describe:	

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Principle :	5: Environment, natural resources, biodiversity and ecosystem services	<b>3</b>
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	Empty chemical containers must be triple rinsed, label, punctured and kept at proper storage.	
	Empty chemical containers shall be disposed via authorized contractor.	
	Photo verification on chemical store and phone call interview with chemical sprayers informed the used chemical containers marks with "X" and reuse for chemical premix purposes only.	
	Empty chemical containers are triple rinse, mark and reused for chemical spraying activities.	
4.5.3.5	Apogee Plantation established landfill area for domestic waste disposal.	Yes
	Photo review and interview management team informed that the landfill located more than 50 meters from workers housing area. The open landfill has been fenced up and marked with operational period.	
4.5.4.1	Apogee Plantation established Waste Management Plan dated 28/04/2021.	Yes
	The plan identified solid, liquid and gaseous wastes.	
	Example:	
	Solid wastes	
	Source: Housing compound	
	Example: Domestic waste	
	GHG produce: Methane.	
	Gaseous wastes	
	Source: Farm tractor / Generator set	
	Example: Fumes releasing	
	GHG produce: Carbon monoxide, Carbon dioxide.	
	Liquid wastes	
	Source: Chemical mixing	
	Example: Chemical spillage at field	
	GHG produce: Methane.	
4.5.4.2	Apogee Plantation established Waste Management Plan dated 28/04/2021 include action plan to reduce pollutants.	Yes
	Example:	
	Source: Farm tractor	
	Waste: CO <sub>2</sub> , CO	
	Treatment method: Regular vehicle maintenance	

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Principle !	5: En	vironment, natural resources, biodiversity and ecosystem services	
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	wor	riew on vehicles inspection record and phone call interview with kers informed the farm tractor is regularly service and maintained to uce significant pollutions.	
4.5.5.1	а	Apogee Plantation established Water Management Plan dated 28/04/2021.	Yes
		Source of water:	
		1. Rain water;	
		Pond water as alternative source for emergency situation during drought.	
		Water usage:	
		1. Rain water:	
		Domestic and office	
		Chemical mixing).	
		2. Catchment Pond:	
		Chemical mixing and vehicle washing.	
	b	Apogee Plantation does not have streams, rivers or waterways within its estate.	Yes
		Estate map is reviewed and verified.	
		Phone interview with estate management informed there are no streams or rivers within the estate.	
		Therefore, no monitoring established for outgoing water.	
	С	Apogee Plantation monitor the efficiency usage of water by:	Yes
		Rainfall records for monitoring and optimizing water usage	
		2. Empty chemical containers rinsing and washing water reused for chemical spraying.	
		Photo verification at worker housing and phone call interview with workers informed water from rain harvesting are used for domestic usage.	
	d	Apogee Plantation does not have streams, rivers or waterways within estate area.	Yes
		Buffer zone is established for protection of pond area.	
		Interview workers informed the briefed on marked palms as buffer zone area. These areas are restricted for chemical spraying and fertilizer application.	
	е	Apogee Plantation does not have streams, rivers or waterways within estate area	Yes
		Buffer zone is established for protection of pond area.	

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Principle :	5: En	vironment, natural resources, biodiversity and ecosystem services	<b>.</b>
Indicator		mmary of Assessment	Compliance
		Interview workers informed they are briefed on demarcated palms as buffer zone area. These areas are restricted for chemical spraying and fertilizer application.	
	f	Phone call interviewed with Apogee Plantation management and photos reviewed, there are no bore wells constructed to extract ground water.	Yes
4.5.5.2		eview on Apogee Plantation map there is no river passing through the ate. Therefore, no construction of bunds, weirs and dams.	Yes
4.5.5.3		ogee Plantation established Water Management Plan dated 28/04/2021 scribes that rain harvesting is practices by estate for domestic use.	Yes
		oto verification of worker housing and phone call interview with workers ormed rain water was collected for domestic usage.	
4.5.6.1	а	Apogee Plantation established Monitoring Checklist of Biodiversity area dated 28/04/2021.	Yes
		The checklist includes monitoring of wildlife sighted based on different location in the estate.	
		Example of location:	
		Buffer zone and reserves area	
		2. Estate blocks.	
		Phone call interview with workers informed no hunting are allowed and any sighted of wildlife to inform the management.	
	b	Apogee Plantation identified wildlife within estate with list below updated on 28/04/2021:	Yes
		1. Collared dove	
		2. Red Jungle Fowl.	
		Phone call interview with workers informed they are aware on type of protected wildlife such as 'Jungle fowl' and no illegal hunting within the plantation area	
4.5.6.2	а	Apogee Plantation established Environmental Quality Policy include statement "Ensure protection of RTEs species living in HCV areas, if any and ensure that biodiversity is protected and enhanced.	Yes
		Apogee Plantation establish monitoring checklist to monitor any presence of RTE at the estate blocks, housing area, and buffer zone. The monitoring was updated on 28/03/2021.	
	b	Apogee Plantation field photo review and interviewed workers informed signage installed to inform public and workers on no hunting and capturing of any wildlife.	Yes
		Briefing on prohibitions on hunting and capturing wildlife conducted on 10/01/2021.	

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Principle 5	Principle 5: Environment, natural resources, biodiversity and ecosystem services			
Indicator	Summary of Assessment	Compliance		
4.5.6.3	Apogee Plantation established monitoring checklist to monitor RTE within the estate blocks, housing compound and buffer zone.	Yes		
	Updated wildlife monitoring checklist review dated 28/04/2021. The list includes wildlife such as collared dove and red jungle fowl.			
4.5.7.1	Apogee Plantation established Environmental Quality Policy dated 22/07/2020 signed by Managing Director.	Yes		
	The policy statement includes the statement of zero burning practice as per described in Malaysia Law (A1102 Act / Environmental Quality Act 2001) that state that there shall be no burning of any kind except where deemed necessary with prior approval of the relevant authorities. This includes domestic wastes, agricultural wastes and biomass or by products generated by estate.			
	Phone interviews with workers informed they are briefed of the zero burning policy and do not practice any burning.			
4.5.7.2	There is no disease observed on palm oil tree at Apogee Plantation that required burning for treatment via pictorial evidence verification.	Yes		
	Therefore, no special approval for open burning from relevant authorities			
4.5.7.3	Phone interview with estate in charge and photo verification of Apogee Plantation field block condition, no disease observed at field operations that required burning method to be treated Therefore, no application for approval of controlled burning.	Yes		
4.5.7.4	Apogee Plantation adopted the Field Handbook: Oil Palm Series for Immature Volume 2 & Mature Volume 3 by Ian Rankie and Thomas Fairhurst – September 1999 for their replanting management practice.	Yes		
	The SOP states that all palm must be felled, chipped and shredded during replanting activities.			
	Apogee Plantation replanting programme will be commenced on 2025. Thus, no replanting activities taking place at estate.			
	Therefore, no verification on the previous crops is felled, chipped and shredded, pulverized and mulched.			

Principle 6: Best Practices				
Indicator	Summary of Assessment Complia			
4.6.1.1	Apogee Plantation established SOPs for best practices as follows:	Yes		
	Manuring SOP, last amended: 01/07/2019			
	Spraying SOP, last amended: 01/07/2019			
	Chemical mixing, last amended 01/07/2019			
	Harvesting SOP, last amended 01/07/2019.			

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Dringinle	Principle 6: Best Practices			
Indicator	Summary of Assessment	Compliance		
maicator	Training for SOP has been conducted to make sure that the SOP are consistently implemented:	Compliance		
	Example:			
	Orientation and training for new workers dated 10/01/2021			
	Company SOPs training dated 11/02/2021.			
	Phone interview with workers informed that they have been briefed of work procedures.			
4.6.1.2	Apogee Plantation adopted the Field Handbook: Oil Palm Series for Immature Volume 2 & Mature Volume 3 that include the soil conservation measure.	Yes		
	The procedure stated to prevent erosion, cover plants should be established on slopes as soon as possible after land clearing.			
	Apogee Plantation planting statement stated no replanting conducted since oil palm are in their productive age.			
	Altitude of terrace using tool "GPS Coordinate Malaysia" is 74m from sea level that is in line with code of practices provided by MPOB for best agricultural practices.			
4.6.1.3	Apogee Plantation established permanent block markers for each block that include block size, block number, dated of planting and planting material.	Yes		
4.6.2.1	Apogee Plantation has established Summary of Projected Cash flow and Management Plan dated 25/01/2021 for 3 year from 2021 to 2023.	Yes		
	Price forecast			
	2. Estimation of FFB produced (yield/ha).			
	3. Operation expenses			
	Admin expenses and capital expenditure.			
4.6.2.2	There is no replanting activity for Apogee Plantationsince the palm are still in the production phase.	Yes		
	The expected 1st replanting is in year 2025.			
4.6.2.3	Apogee Plantation established 3 years financial management plan from 2021 to 2023 includes following:	Yes		
	Cost per ton			
	Expected FFB output			
	Yield per ha			
	Price forecast.			
	Interview with estate management informed implementation of budget allocated are monitored to ensure company financial are in order.			

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Principle 6: Best Practices				
Indicator	Summary of Assessment	Compliance		
4.6.2.4	Apogee Plantation established monthly monitoring for the costing and FFB. The previous month actual had been used as the references to monitor the achievement.			
	Apogee Plantation has established the WhatsApp group meeting to discuss crop production and financial performance.			
4.6.3.1	Apogee Plantation establish pricing mechanism for purchase of chemicals and fertilizer using quotation and purchase order.	Yes		
	Example:			
	Purchase order for chemical and fertilizer is recorded and maintained.			
	The quotation and purchase order describes the product, price and terms and conditions.			
4.6.3.2	Apogee Plantation purchased fertilizer from the suppliers using purchase order.	Yes		
	The invoices dated 25/05/2021 from supplier describes the product pricing and payment terms.			
	Document review on payment voucher issued to supplier is paid in timely manner as agreed by both parties.			
4.6.4.1	Phone call interviewed with Apogee Plantation management informed does not engage contractors. Therefore, no documents established.	Yes		
	Remote document reviewed on stakeholders list and phone call interview with estate in charge confirmed no contractor engaged.			
4.6.4.2	Phone call interviewed with Apogee Plantation management informed they does not engage contractors. Therefore, no documents established.	Yes		
	Remote document reviewed on stakeholders list and phone call interview with estate in charge confirmed no contractor engaged.			
4.6.4.3	Phone call interviewed with Apogee Plantation management informed does not engage contractors. Therefore, no documents established.	Yes		
	Remote document reviewed on stakeholders list and phone call interview with estate in charge confirmed no contractor engaged.			
4.6.4.4	Phone call interviewed with Apogee Plantation management informed does not engage contractors. Therefore, no documents established.	Yes		
	Remote document reviewed on stakeholders list and phone call interview with estate in charge confirmed no contractor engaged.			

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Principle 7	7: Development of new planting	
Indicator	Summary of Assessment	Compliance
4.7.1.1	Apogee Plantation land titles and planting statement documents are review and there is no new land acquire. The last planting is year 2004.	Yes
	Review on photo evidences and interview with Apogee Plantation management team informed no high biodiversity area within the estate.	
4.7.1.2	Apogee Plantation planting statement is review and field photos confirmed no replanting programme for year 2021. Thus, there is no PMM conducted.	Yes
4.7.2.1	Apogee Plantation estate map, planting statement and field photos are review and confirmed there is no peat land.	Yes
4.7.3.1	Apogee Plantation estate map, planting statement and field photos are review and confirmed there is no new planting. Therefore, no SEIA conducted.	Yes
4.7.3.2	Apogee Plantation estate map, planting statement and field photos are review and confirmed there is no new planting. Therefore, no SEIA conducted.	
4.7.3.3	There is no new planting established within Apogee Plantation area, therefore no management plan nor SOP established.	
4.7.3.4	There are no smallholders' scheme in Apogee Plantation certification.  Yes Therefore, not applicable.	
4.7.4.1	Apogee Plantation planting statement is reviewed and site verification Yes confirmed there is no new planting. Therefore, no soil map established.	
4.7.4.2	Apogee Plantation planting statement is reviewed and site verification confirmed there is no new planting. Therefore, no topography map established.	
4.7.5.1	Apogee Plantation planting statement and field photos provided are review and confirmed there is no new planting. Therefore, no topography map established.	
4.7.5.2	Apogee Plantation planting statement and field photos provided are review and confirmed there is no new planting. Therefore, no monitoring management plans for fragile and marginal soil established.	Yes
4.7.5.3	Apogee Plantation planting statement is reviewed and there is no new planting. Therefore, no soil map established.	Yes
4.7.6.1	Apogee Plantation planting statement is review and interview with estate management via phone calls confirmed there is no new planting. Therefore, no FPIC conducted and no communities affected.	Yes
4.7.6.2	Apogee Plantation planting statement is review and field photos evidences provided confirmed there is no new planting. There are no sacred sites, therefore no management plan established.	Yes
4.7.6.3	Apogee Plantation planting statements are review and field photo provided confirmed there is no new planting. Therefore, no compensation or agreement established.	Yes

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4.7.6.4	Apogee Plantation planting statements are review and field photos provided confirmed there is no new planting. Therefore, no compensation and agreement established.	Yes
4.7.6.5	1.7.6.5 Apogee Plantation planting statement is review and there is no new planting. Therefore, no assessment to identify customary right established.	
4.7.6.6	Apogee Plantation planting statement is review and field photos provided confirmed there is no new planting. Therefore, no system establish for calculating the compensation for distribution.	Yes
4.7.6.7	4.7.6.7 Apogee Plantation planting statement is review and site verification confirmed there is no new planting. Therefore, no compensation plan established.	
4.7.6.8	Apogee Plantation planting statement is review and there is no new planting. Therefore, no communities affected.	Yes

## 4.4. Status of Non-Conformities Previously Identified

	The stage 1 audit findings have been reviewed, in particular to assure appropriate corrective actions implemented to address the identified audit findings.	
$\sqrt{}$	The last audit results of this system have been reviewed, in particular to assure appropriate corrections and corrective actions have implemented to address any nonconformity identified.	
	The last audit results of this system have been reviewed, in particular to assure appropriate corrections and corrective actions have not been implemented effectively. The non-conformity will be re-raised.	
	No non-conformity raised in previous audit.	

Note 1: If a minor non-conformity raised in last audit, is not closed out or repeated, the finding will be raised to a Major non-conformity.

Note 2: All major and minor NCs raise in last audit are required to capture in this report together with the review of the non-compliance implementation.

## 4.5. Detail of Audit Findings in last audit

AUDIT OUTCOME		
During last Audit	1	MAJOR Non-Conformities
	0	MINOR Non-Conformities

	Non Conformity Number 1				
Indicator # and	4.4.4.2 The occupational safety and health plan shall cover the following:				
Description:	(j) Records shall be kept of all accidents and be reviewed periodically at quarterly intervals				
Location:	Office				
Description of Finding / Objective Evidence:					
In year 2019, there is no accident occur. However, annual accident reporting record was not submitted to DOSH					

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Non Conformity Number 1				
Classificat	ion 🛛 Major		inor	
Raise by:	Mohd Nur Amin Bin Mohd Halim	Date Rais	se:	25/08/2020
Deadline fo	or implementation	25/10/202	20	
Root Cause	e Analysis ( <i>by company</i> ):			
	of annual accident reporting record to D	OSH has been	over	ooked during the Annual
Correction	(by company):			
	ny has subsequently submitted the Annu e record and evidences to the auditors fo		ort o	nline to DOSH and
Corrective	/ Preventive Action (by company)			
	ny has been reminded to submit Annual a	Accident Repor	t to D	OSH every year based on
Review of	Correction & Corrective / Preventive A	ction		
Review on the annual accident report for year 2019 the submission is through online to DOSH with reporting reference number JKKP8/63318/2019 dated 26/08/2020 with no accident reported.				
The management will monitor on the submission based on OSH Management Plan established updated on 28/08/2020 which to be submitted before 31st January of the following year.				
The effectiveness of accident reporting will be review on the next audit.				
Closed: ☑ Yes ☐ No Site verification: ☐ Yes ☑ N			☐ Yes ⊠ No	
Name of Lead Auditor:		Date of Closure:		
Mohd Nur Amin Bin Mohd Halim		15/09/2021		
Review of Implementation				
Document reviewed on the JKKP 8 form confirmed the annual accident report for year 2020 is submitted through online to DOSH dated 29/01/2021 with no accident reported.				
Name of Le	ead Auditor:	Date of Review:		
Joseph Sim Siaw Seng		29/06/2021		

## 4.6. Detail of Remote Audit Findings Identified during this audit

This section gives an overview of the non-conformities raised during this audit.

REMOTE AUDIT OUTCOME			
During this remote	0	MAJOR Non-Conformities	
audit,	0	MINOR Non-Conformities	

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Nr	Indicato r	Description	Location	Opportunity for Improvement
1	4.1.2.2	The internal audit procedures and audit results shall be documented and evaluated, followed by the identification of strengths and root causes of nonconformities, in order to implement the necessary corrective action	Office	APSB may consider improve the internal audit report on the strengths of audit results.
2	4.4.4.2	The occupational safety and health plan shall cover the following:  g) The management shall conduct regular two-way communication with their employees where issues affecting their business such as employee's health, safety and welfare are discussed openly.	Office	APSB may consider improve the safety meeting agenda on accident and injuries status.
3.	4.5.3.3	The management shall establish Standard Operating Procedure for handling of used chemicals that are classified under Environment Quality Regulations (Scheduled Waste) 2005, Environmental Quality Act, 1974 to ensure proper and safe handling, storage and disposal.	Scheduled Waste Store	APSB may consider improve the monitoring on scheduled waste disposal.

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#### 5. CONCLUSION

Mode of Audit:

Apogee Plantation Sdn Bhd has commissioned TUV NORD (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd to conduct surveillance audit consisting of 1 estate according to MSPO 2530-3:2013 Part 3 General principles for Oil Palm Plantations and Organised Smallholders.

From the review of the standard operating procedures, relevant forms, work flow charts established and implemented; the subsequent background investigation and interviews conducted during this surveillance audit have provided TUV NORD Malaysia with sufficient evidence on the fulfilment of the applied standard Principles & Criteria.

In conclusion the certified unit has been established, implemented and continued to improve in managing the estates are in line with the Principles & Criteria of the applied standards of MS 2530-Part 3:2013 General principles for Oil Palm Plantations and Organised Smallholders.

Any audit is based on sampling within an organization's management system and therefore is not a guarantee of 100 % conformity with requirements.

As a result of this audit, the audit team confirms that

Total certified number of estates:

Total certified production area: 244.36 Ha

Certified FFBs Jan to April 2021: 1,461.62 Mt

Project FFBs May to Dec 2021: 4,000.00 Mt

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#### 6. RECOMMENDATION

The audit team conduct a process-based audit focussing on significant aspects/risks and objectives required by the standard(s). The audit methods used are interviews, observations, sampling of activities, review of documentation and records.

The structure of the audit is in accordance with the audit plan included in this summary report as annex.

The audit team concludes that the organisation has established and maintained its management system in line with the requirements of the standard(s) and demonstrated the ability of the system to achieve requirements for products and/or services within the scope and the organisation's policies and objectives.

Therefore the audit team recommends that, based on the results of this audit and the system's demonstrated state of development and maturity that this management system certification be

	Recommended for Certification	
$\sqrt{}$	Recommended for Continuity of Certification	
	Recommended for Suspension of Certification	

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Certifier / Approver

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## 7. LIST OF STAKEHOLDERS

No stakeholders' consultation conducted in accordance to ACB – OPMC 4 Issue 2 dated 04/09/2020, Stakeholder Consultation Requirements Section 6: Consultation during audit, §6.1: During the stage 2 and recertification audit. Therefore, no stakeholders listed.

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The objective (goal) of the audit is to establish compliance of the management system of the aforementioned organization with the requirements of the aforementioned standard in order to achieve or maintain certification through an independent and accredited certification body. Identification of possibilities to improve the management system can also be a component of the audit and is considered simply to be an enhancement; it does not constitute consultancy or advice with regard to the management system.

Annex / Enclosures	
Annex / corresponding audit documentation	<ul><li></li></ul>