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Foreword from the Founder

I am pleased to introduce this year's Impact Report, which illustrates EcoKnights®' shared commitment to advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through impact-driven initiatives.

All our initiatives are derived from the **organization's five core pillars** which are:

- 1. Community Development and Education
- 2. Public Outreach
- 3. Rehabilitation, Restoration and Conservation
- 4. Sustainability Communications
- 5. Youth Development and Volunteerism



These five pillars are implemented based on the principles of the organization's **Theory of Change**. In all of our initiatives, **smart and strategic partnerships** contribute to many of the achievements we have obtained. Whether government agencies, NGOs or businesses, everyone is an important player in driving sustainable changes for a healthier future. I am also thankful that EcoKnights®, over the last 15 years, have worked relentlessly across geographical boundaries to **implement multidisciplinary skills and knowledge-focused community programs** in order to drive efforts aimed at **developing sustainable communities**.

The team has dedicated itself to a higher agenda, without which it would not be possible to address the issues facing our future today. Our corporate partners have played a big role as well, not just as supporters or funders of our initiatives, but also through their employee volunteerism efforts. Through these strategic collaborations, we have planted 510 trees in degraded spaces, cleaned up 3 polluted urban rivers - Sungai Bunus, Sungai Gombak and Sungai Kerayong - in the past 12 months, removed 6 tonnes of river waste that would otherwise end up polluting our oceans, and most importantly, delivered 128 talks and workshops to inspire and motivate more Malaysians to adopt sustainable habits and practices.

Some of our corporate partners also supported us by providing us with opportunities to reskill and retrain our team, while others were generous enough to ensure the Knights are equipped with the right tools and techniques to accelerate the mission and vision of the organization. We are who we are today because of you. This report aims to share what we have achieved through your support. I hope that this report will be able to provide valuable insights to our work, and more importantly, in inspiring you to take a walk in this journey with us. Thank you for making 2019 amazing.

Sincerely,

Founder & President of EcoKnights®,

Dr Yasmin Rasyid

Grammin Pargid.

Foreword from the Program Director

I would like to take this opportunity to provide an overview of EcoKnights®' progress towards its vision; To empower Malaysians to live sustainably and protect the environment. Our transformation plan focuses on important changes for the organisation. In terms of our missions, we aim:

- 1. To align and work with relevant authorities on environmental justice.
- 2. To build **stronger and more resilient youths** who will fight for climate action.
- 3. To build communities that are adaptable and resilient to climate change.
- 4. To mainstream the **concept of sustainability** in Malaysia through strategic and effective communications.



To fulfil these missions, our strategies are conducted through our core pillars. This is done through robust action plans by further strengthening EcoKnights® ' flagship programs that primarily focus on objective approach, key outputs, tangible outcomes and meaningful impacts towards environmental protection, social inclusion and economic boosts. As a youth-led organisation, Leadership & Talent Development is our most important core competency. In 2019, there were 40 team members with an average age of 23 years young. This is a testament that we are progressing in the right direction in terms of building the capacity of empowered youth leaders.

We have recruited and trained interns from various levels of experience and academic background all the way from team leaders to interns. We will continue this approach to empower more youths in the coming years. This is an important collaborative advantage as it represents excellent progress on productivity and promises delivery in the results. The challenge to achieve our long-term plan is always financial stability. Henceforth, we are determined to strengthen our sustainability and fundraising strategies for organisational development and impactful initiatives. With this, we are proud to have revamped our official website that aspires to improve user experience, enhance organisation visibility and mobilise action, with support from various partners and stakeholders.

In summary, while we still have much to do, we are progressing. With the confidence from the Board of Trustees, our beloved Founder/President Dr. Yasmin Rasyid, the Team Leaders and everyone at EcoKnights®, we will keep our focus in the right direction. I would like to thank our partners - corporate organisations, governmental agencies, the board of ministries, members of the media, educational institutions, academic experts, advocates, youths, volunteers and the general public – for your continuous support as we move forward to another milestone together.

Sincerely,

Program Director of EcoKnights® Fadly Bakhtiar



The young team members of EcoKnights® at the 12th International Kuala Lumpur Eco Film Festival with the festival theme of, ":Let's take climate action... now!"

Who We Are

Pertubuhan Alam Sekitar EcoKnights® (EK) is a non-governmental youth-led environmental organization established in 2005. Our core focus areas are:



Capacity building in areas of community engagement and environmental education.



Smart partnerships with corporate and government agencies in driving and implementing sustainable actions.



Strategic engagement and onground efforts where activities on sustainability can be shared with the masses.



Capacity building of youths in environmental sustainability through talent enriching programs.

In these areas, EK focuses on working with key stakeholders as we work on delivering strategically designed developmental interventions that contribute to positive social, environmental and economic change.

Over the last decade, EcoKnights®' strengths are in sustainable development and mobilization as we hope to build a populace that is climate change resilient as we address urgent environmental issues.

Youths are also a huge part of our focus area as we work on empowering and building the capacity of these youths to become future aspiring leaders.

Our Vision, Mission and Values



Our Mission

Sustainability is complex, and we believe to truly achieve long-lasting change and impact, we must make sure we build communities that are adaptable and resilient to climate change. To fulfil our mission, the organization and its people strive to fulfil the following objectives:



To align and work with relevant authorities on environmental justice.



To build stronger and more resilient youths who will fight for climate action.



To build communities that are adaptable and resilient to climate change.



To mainstream the concept of sustainability in Malaysia through strategic and effective communications.



Our Core Values

Over 15 years, we have worked with various stakeholders, from corporates, universities, volunteers and other NGOs, through a variety of impact-driven flagship initiatives and CSR programs.

Throughout these programs, we hold firm to four main core values, which are:



Innovation

We believe in consistently evolving with the Malaysian mainstream mindset in order to position our educational and awareness-building activities as relevant, solution-oriented and positive.



Passion

A passion to serve and protect humanity by working on small efforts at the grass-roots level is drilled into the team to produce individuals that are ecologically conscious and responsible.



Respect

Creating engaging and meaningful programs that serve the broader goals of sustainability. We strive to ensure that all our activities are conducted with the utmost respect for any and all sensitivities.



Leadership

We like to practice what we preach and anyone involved with EcoKnights® is encouraged to be more responsible - at work or home, making the current world slightly better one step at a time.

Our Theory Of Change

The EcoKnights® programs and activities act as a catalyst for positive change. The positive results seen from these small changes encourage further change, and thus our participants and beneficiaries continue to develop even after their EcoKnights® experience comes to an end.

Our Theory Of Change is influenced heavily by the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals. While we recognize that environmental outcomes are crucial, we believe there is no real lasting change without taking a holistic, multifaceted approach. There are currently four components to our Theory of Change:



Authentic Experience

An authentic experience provides opportunities for our participants to respond to the daily challenges and uncertainties about sustainable living. We firmly believe that an authentic experience improves psychological outcomes such as self-reliance, resilience to environmental challenges, and overall well-being.

Creating the Right Environment

Creating the right environment to facilitate an authentic experience in any of our programs provides the optimum conditions for learning. Our programs take place in nature and such learning environments have been associated with outcomes such as increased understanding, the development of skills and behaviors compatible with sustainable living, and self-reliance.

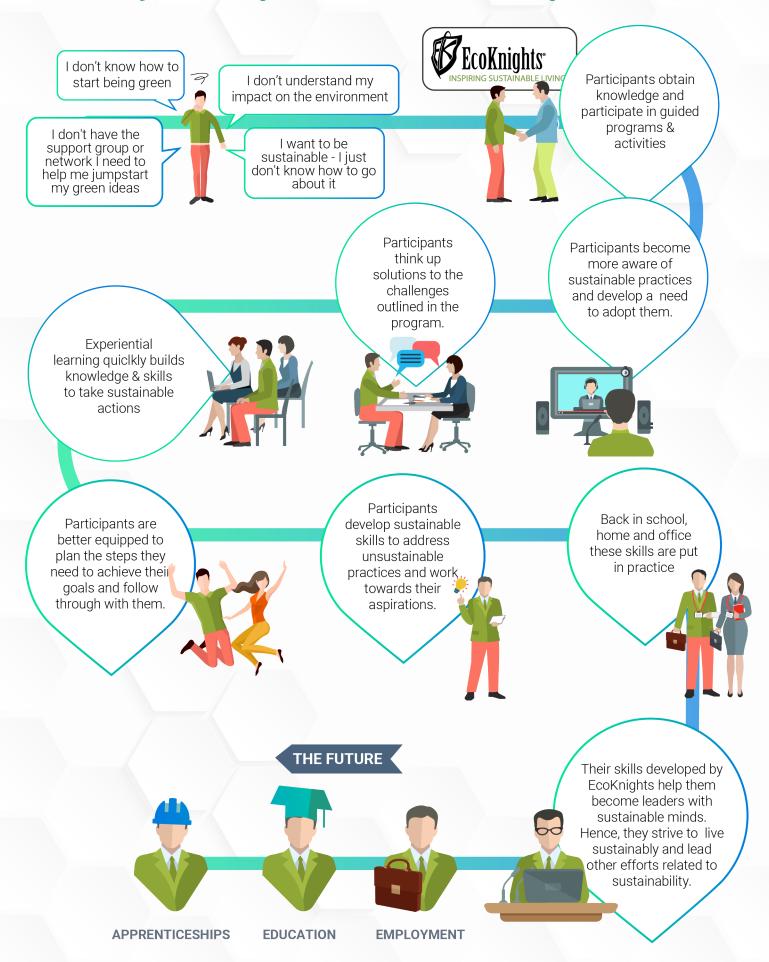
Reflective Learning

Programs delivered with specific outcomes designed to be integrated into the daily lives of our participants have been shown to deliver stronger and more lasting outcomes. Using learning strategies like feedback, and even goal setting, our programs helped improve the participant's outcomes.

The Residential Experience

Over the last decade, our residential volunteer and internship experiences have had a positive impact on the relationships between peers. This experience develops resilience and an overall affinity for green living, in addition to improving engagement with sustainable behaviours.

The Journey to Sustainability



The Goals We Aim For

SUSTAINABLE GEALS DEVELOPMENT GEALS





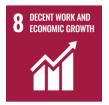
































The Sustainable Development Goals that Inspires Us to Action

In our efforts to be a responsible and accountable organization that contributes to both national and global sustainability efforts, we are obliged to share how we contribute to the SDGs.

In all our initiatives, our beneficiaries are inspired and challenged to find new ways to create sustainable change in the world around them.

They undergo the processes highlighted in our Theory of Change to eventually take action, lead others, and support one another in achieving a sustainable future.

The Challenges We Face



By the Numbers

255.3

Million Tonnes of Carbon Dioxide Emission From Malaysia.

14.7

Million Tonnes More Than the Amount Emitted in 2017

Footnote

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The Current Situation

The issue of global warming is a challenge like we have never faced before. Around the world, due to the effects of rising temperatures, sea levels around the world are rising, natural disasters are becoming stronger, and the livelihood of communities are coming under threat. Despite that, emissions of greenhouse gases, the main contributor to global warming, continue to increase year after year.

According to BP Statistical Review of World Energy 2019, Malaysia's carbon dioxide emissions amounted to 255.3 million tonnes in 2018, an increase of 13.7 million tonnes from the emission in 2017, which amounted to 241.6 million tonnes. The main sources of the emissions were energy (electricity consumption), mobility (vehicles) and waste (municipal solid waste that ends up in landfills).^{1,2}

While the Malaysian government has already made a pledge to the United Nations to reduce its emissions intensity in 2030 by 45% from it's 2005 baseline^{1,3}, this alone will not be enough to make a change. The efforts of all Malaysian stakeholders are necessary to influence this issue.

In the Government of Malaysia's Intended Nationally Determined Contribution (INDC), the author writes, "Climate change is a cross cutting issue and currently the institutional framework to address the issue is fragmented... Creating long-term commitment from all stakeholders, businesses, civil society, and people, is critical".4

As our nation grows in the amount of people and the resources consumed, we must also actively minimize the impact of our lifestyles on climate change as individuals, businesses, and communities. If we cannot come together to solve this issue, the effects will be dire.



By the Numbers

60%

Of Malaysians Couldn't Link Rising Temperatures and Sea Levels to Climate Change

Footnote

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A Lack of Environmental Consciousness Among Members of the Malaysian Public

Despite the severity of the situation involving climate change and its potential to affect Malaysian citizens across the nation, very few people know about climate change and are concerned about it.

In a research study conducted by Dr Hezri Adnan, Fellow of the Academy of Sciences Malaysia, to determine the level of awareness in Malaysia of global warming, only 40 per cent of respondents linked rising temperatures and sea levels to climate change.⁵

However, an additional study 2017 study by Mei *et al.*⁶ shows that even though some Malaysians are aware of the severity of the issue, they would only take environmentally friendly actions if there were economic incentives (i.e. savings in their daily lives such as water and electricity tariffs, energy-saving appliances, etc.).

From this we can conclude that the level of understanding among Malaysians on how crucial it is to combat climate change is very low.

Lack of Environmental Stewardship and Leadership

Despite the strengthening of environmental governance since the 1990s, Malaysia exhibits most of the environmental problems that are typical of many developing economies.

A lack of ethical business attitudes, sufficient monitoring, enforcement capacities, and communication strategies have encouraged civil society organizations to pave the way in mobilizing and catalyzing Malaysian society to demand a sustainably managed future.

Additionally, with the advancements in mass media, environmental concerns have garnered more attention today than ever before because of the virality of environment-related news or information.

More people are aware and are taking action. However, not many are leading the movement in a holistic manner.





Anugerah Hijau contestants proudly display their winners certificates, which were awarded due to their outstanding projects and initiatives to reduce waste.

Our Solutions



Participants of the DIY self-watering system workshop were taught some cool tips and tricks on how to start their own mini garden by upcycling plastic bottles.

Empowering Malaysians to Adopt Sustainable Living Through Education

In order to address the challenges we face, we focus on developing an understanding of green skills and habits among Malaysians, in accordance with our vision statement; To empower people to live sustainably and protect the environment. Not only does this skill set ensures positive sustainable changes in the future but it also empowers individuals with the right attitudes, behaviours and mindset they need to adopt long-lasting sustainable patterns.

These skills underpin how we interact with and treat the environment; how we handle environmental pressures; how we tackle these pressures; and how we subsequently mould these attitudes and behaviours that will contribute to positive sustainable choices in our life.

By navigating through our Theory of Change attributes, we work on facilitating this transition from awareness to participation, action and later on empowerment - for people to gain the ability to embrace new sustainable skills as the essence of life. This ability acts as an adoption and mitigation factor that helps us as a nation avoid unsustainable patterns of behaviour and stay committed to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

In hindsight, these skills give us the confidence to seek viable resources, to understand and take necessary actions on environmental issues, and to adapt positively to challenging environmental, social and economic changes.



Participants of a River Explorer workshop display the water samples they have taken from the river to test the quality of the water.

Developing Sustainable Mindsets Naturally

Each EcoKnights® program uses creativity and innovation in crafting the right exposure for people who are new to sustainability or are facing challenges in addressing sustainability. At the same time, we also equip them with the green skills they need to build a sustainable mindset.

Each program aims to achieve a specific learning outcome or action for the participants involved. Additionally, our officers work closely alongside our donors and partners as well as the young people themselves in order to encourage the development of action plans for applying new skills and concepts after the program has ended.



A vendor poses with a jug of used cooking oil he helped EcoKnights® collect as part of the Green Ramadan Campaign.

Our Program Evaluation Process





Through surveys and meaningful public engagement, EcoKnights® conduct its evaluation process of data collection with great perseverance during the annual Green Ramadan Campaign.

Why We Evaluate Our Programs

If we are to encourage Malaysians to adopt a sustainable way of living, we must be sure our programs have the ability to empower and transform the individuals we work with – whether young or old. For this reason, we take the evaluation of our programs seriously.

Some of our programs have been evaluated since 2008, and we have continually invested in our capacity to measure our outcomes. In each of our program reports, we summarize the outcomes and amount of progress we are making - based on our assessment and evaluation methods. The outcomes help to illustrate the impacts and sustainability of the programs in three aspects: environment, social and economy.

One of our evaluation methods involves tracking the participation of our beneficiaries throughout the programs, regardless of short-term or long-term. We also take in other measurements that involve our beneficiaries such as recycling rate, level of accessibility to basic facilities and level of sustainable practices adopted by the beneficiaries.

Another evaluation method we utilize is measuring the attitudes, skills, and behaviors (e.g., social and emotional skills or soft skills) that our beneficiaries develop during their exposure to our programs. This is done through consistent communication with participants, surveys and questionnaires at the end of each program. This allows us to gather better data about the impact that our programs have in their lives, especially towards their attitudes, beliefs, skills, and sustainable behaviors and practices.

Combining quantitative and qualitative information helps us identify the domains in which we can improve in to ensure we continue to deliver quality and impactful programs to Malaysians.

The Year In 2019: A Snapshot

Environmental Protection



510



9.87 tonnes



of Waste (Solid, Organic and Used Cooking Oil) Collected



6 tonnes

Of River Waste Collected



Social Inclusion



43

Number of Corporate Entities Engaged



64

CSR Program Executed



116

Stakeholders Engaged

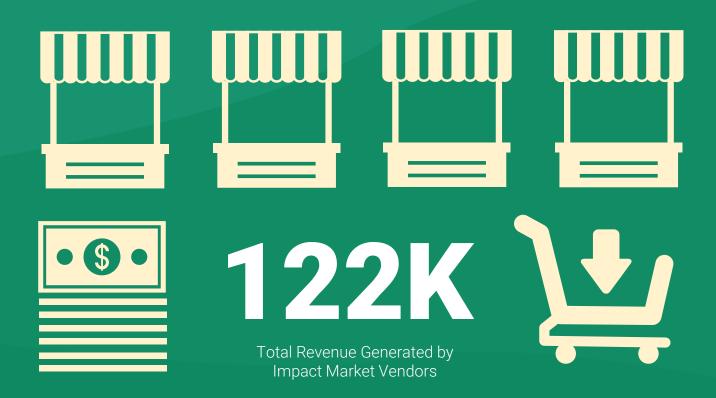


12,591

Number of People Who Benefited From EcoKnights® Programs



Economic Boost





203K

Amount of Grant Funding Secured





35

Jobs Created or Sustained



Media Awards and Achievements



EcoKnights® won the "Inisiatif Sukarelawan Negara Taman" award, presented by Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, in recognition of its outstanding volunteering efforts in restoring and rehabilitating degraded landscapes in the country.



EcoKnights® received the NGO leadership award during the Golden Globe Tiger Awards 2019 with recognitions to its work in shaping the future of the country, involvement in communities, protection of the environment and effective sustainable mobilization of resources through the delivery of impact-driven programs and initiatives.

Our 2019 Team

EcoKnights® wouldn't be able to do what it does without an amazing team. Our passionate members make EcoKnights® what it is. When you work with us, rest assured, you are working with the best.



EcoKnights® Upper Management



Dr. Yasmin Rasyid

Founder & President

"There wasn't a specific moment that contributed to the founding of EcoKnights®. I felt the need to do so because I was passionate about providing community development services to enhance awareness, action, participation and empowerment in sustainable living. As an individual, I have my limitations and a well-oiled and capable organization can achieve so much more than I can individually."



Fadly Ahmad Bakhtiar

Program Director 2008 - Current

"We are at a tipping point as a nation; we have realized the importance of environmental sustainability, and we have begun investing resources into actualizing it. Here in EcoKnights®, we have always cultivated a young spirit of astonishing passion and dedication towards environmental protection."

EcoKnights® Team Leaders



Nurul Nabila Shohimi

Community Development and Education Officer July 2016 - Current

"Not a day passes by without the excitement in facing various challenges with the team. At the end of the day, our hard work pays off when we witness even the smallest positive change in people's mindset and behavior."



Mok Yi Ying
Public Outreach Officer
October 2016 – Current

"I'd started my journey with EcoKnights® from 2016, and since it has been roller coaster journey! Working in an environmental NGO that strives to mobilized grassroots action in driving environmental sustainability through different approaches with people from different walks of life. In the team, where we celebrate individuality and innovations, has nurtured EK to be a big melting pot of ideas and passion where we empower the knights of nature to take action for our Mother Earth. I'd always believed through the collective effort of all, we'll definitely make a positive impact infinitely and beyond!"



Emirul Redzuan Mohd Khalid

Rehabilitation, Restoration and Conservation Officer July 2016 – Current

"Since I started my journey here in EcoKnights®, I have meet people from various backgrounds. This includes government agencies, corporates and communities. These experiences helped me to develop myself in terms of communication and being independent for my projects."



Muhammad Luqman Avicenna

Sustainability Communications Officer August 2017 – Current

"I began working at EcoKnights® as a graphic design intern three years ago and I had two very important things in mind; finding out what was going on with the Malaysian environment and how to push myself to reach new heights."



Johanan Kong Xian En

Youth Development and Volunteerism Officer October 2017 – Current

"Working in EcoKnights® is not your conventional day to day job. There's something new to do to do every single day. Sometimes, we meet top level management from big companies, sometimes we end up cleaning rivers in Klang Valley and sometimes we are in the office creating proposals. So as Forrest Gump said, "Life is like a box of chocolates, you never know what you get."



Fara Amina Othman

Digital Content Officer February 2017 - Current

"My experience at EcoKnights® began 3 years ago. I started as an intern and fast forward to now, I am the Digital Content Officer under the Sustainability Communications department. EcoKnights® has allowed me to grow, flourish and thrive in many aspects of my life."



Ler Wei Rong

Sustainability Communications Officer December 2018 – December 2019

"It was truly an unexpected but definitely fruitful journey. EcoKnights® helped me to step out of my comfort zone and realize that, with the power of social media, you can create greater impact. We don't have to fight for the environment alone, as by using social media to "walk a longer talk", allows us to collaborate, network and work with like-minded people together."



Jasri Samad

IT and Digital Media Officer September 2019 – Current

"I have worked with EcoKnights® for half a year now and this is the first time I have ever work for an NGO in my 15 years of working life. EcoKnights®' environment are highly dynamic. In all of my previous employment, it's hard to see the implication of my work beyond my job scope, deliverables or sales target. But here, my very actions and achievements affect the organization and beneficiaries directly. I am also grateful to be able to work with a group of wonderful young people who always challenged and inspired me to push my limits."

EcoKnights® Assistant Coordinators



Ainul Mardziyyah Che Din

Assistant Coordinator for Community Development and Education February 2019 - Current

"The precious thing I gained throughout my term at EcoKnights® is being able to recognize my potentials and work on my weaknesses. EcoKnights® teaches me to unleash my skills, be passionate and do things I enjoy. In addition, I learn that the most effective way to learn something is by understanding that mistakes are inevitable but being accountable to them is what makes you a great leader."



Shashidharan N Subramaniam

Assistant Coordinator for Sustainability Communications February 2019 - Current

'While working at EcoKnights® in 2019, I had found that being proactive in terms of constant communication, relentless reminders, and being considerate about the various deadlines that the team pillars and interns had to meet were key to completing my tasks. Also, over time and with the assistance of the team, I slowly gained confidence in my ability to complete my assigned tasks, and got better at preparing more organized and detailed data.'

Our Pillars

Since 2018, EcoKnights® has been striving to achieve its vision and mission through five distinct organizational pillars. Each of these pillars tackles a component we found crucial towards empowering people to live more sustainably.



Community
Development
and Education



Public Outreach



Rehabilitation, Restoration and Conservation



Sustainability Communications



Youth Development and Volunteerism



Community Development and Education



EcoKnights® continuously works on advocating the concept of sustainable community development and education which spans across all types of neighborhoods, towns, cities or regions to mainstream sustainable development for all.

Sustainable community development seeks a better quality of life by using its resources to meet current needs while ensuring adequate resources are available for future generations.

The effort is continually adjusting to meet the social and economic needs of its residents while preserving the environment's ability to support it.

Green Ramadan Campaign



In partnership with the River of Life (ROL), EcoKnights® organized the Green Ramadan Campaign at the bazaars of Kampung Bharu - Jalan Raja Alang and Jalan Raja Uda to educate the public on sustainable practices that can be implemented in the bazaars.

The Green Ramadan Campaign targets to reduce the usage of two kind of wastes through two programs:

- 1. Single-use plastics through Beg To Bekas
- 2. Used cooking oil through Cooking Oil For Cleaning.

The 2-week campaign witnessed public engagement with the bazaar visitors and vendors. The visitors were provided with reusable shopping bags and food containers for their takeaways whereas the vendors were given collection bottles to collect their used cooking oil.

Green Ramadan Campaign Impact





300

Active Participants in the Program

2,260

Bags and Containers Distributed

260

Liters of Used Cooking
Oil Collected

1,385

Single-Use Plastics Avoided From Being Used

11

Participating Vendors and Stalls

Media Coverage

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251k







Total Reach on Our Social Media

Program Partners











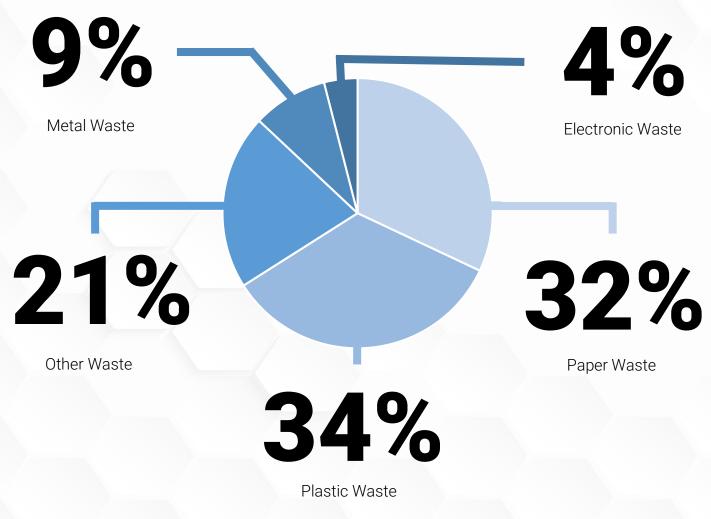


5R's Initiative (Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose, Recycle)

Advocating for 5R's, EcoKnights® encourages public participation in recycling their unwanted items by functioning as a collection center for recyclables, in partnership with iCYCLE Malaysia. Cage bins are stationed at the EcoKnights® office for the public to segregate and drop off their items. The recyclables will be sent to iCYCLE's warehouse to be further segregated and cleaned before being distributed or further processed.

6.47 tonnes

Of Recyclables Collected.



Program Partner



Cooking Oil for Cleaning



According to the River of Life (ROL) program, tackling oil and grease is critically important in order to reverse further water quality degradation in urban rivers. The challenge lies in educating the public especially households, and provision of incentives and opportunities to participate in community- based initiatives to tackling this program.

Hence, EcoKnights® aims to raise awareness and participation of communities within Klang River Basin and general public in addressing proper management of used cooking oil disposal through a pilot project – Cooking Oil for Cleaning (C4C).

C4C is set to build communities' capacities through provision of training and tools to facilitate their participation, and enhance their accessibility to proper disposal of used cooking oil.

The long term goal of C4C is to reduce the volume of used cooking oil from entering the ecosystem. The short-term goal is to provide knowledge and awareness on potential entrepreneurial potential of repurposed used cooking oil for new innovative products.

EcoKnights® has received the Shell Sustainable Development Grant to run C4C with the ROL Phase 3A communities since July 2019.



13

Food Trucks And Vendors Contributed Used Cooking Oil 412

Participants Engaged and Trained

17

Communities Engaged

1.7 tonnes

of Used Cooking Oil Collected

16

Trainings Provided to Communities, Students, Public and Corporates

Program Partners





Public Outreach





The role of Public Outreach is to develop, conduct and organize environmentally-driven outreach programs for corporates, stakeholders and the general public. Through these programs, the activities are tailored to empower the beneficiaries to live sustainably in accordance with EcoKnights®' Theory of Change principles.

The Public Outreach activities or efforts serve two core needs:

- 1. To enhance public engagement, understanding, participation and action on sustainable living.
- 2. To enhance the capacity of EcoKnights®' internal and external support and provide guidance on using a wide range of education and communication interventions in relation to sustainability.



The International Kuala Lumpur Eco Film Festival









The 12th International Kuala Lumpur Eco Film Festival with the theme of "Let's Take Climate Action... Now!" is one of the biggest and most enriching film festivals, with sustainability-driven activities and programs organized for all.



The Kuala Lumpur Eco Film Festival (KLEFF) is Malaysia's first and longest-serving platform promoting sustainable living through showcases of environmentally-themed films and programs.

It is an annual celebration of films about sustainability. The festival serves as a platform to enhance public awareness and encourage public participation in sustainability initiatives. Since 2008, KLEFF's mission is to accelerate mainstreaming of sustainable living and stewardship of the environment through the power of audio visual materials and activities.

General KLEFF 2019 Statistics

8° (8)

331

Attendees for The Film Screenings

247

Participants in Workshops, Forums, and Talks **250**

Saplings Distributed in Partnership with Taman Tugu

128

Volunteers Engaged Throughout the Festival 1,493

Volunteer Hours Generated

Media Coverage











RM1.2 million

Total PR Value Generated

RM320K 280K

Worth of Broadcast Coverage Secured.

Reach on Facebook and Instagram

Impact Market



RM85K

Total Sales Recorded

24

90%

Vendors Engaged

Vendors Would Recommend the Impact Market to Their Network in the Future



Visitors browsing through the goods sold by an Impact Market vendor.

Festival Partners and Supporters



"I hope that from this, we can fully support [EcoKnights®] in any way we can – to help you execute your work, do your initiative well because we believe that when you do well, the government can do well."

- YB Puan Yeo Bee Yin, 2019 Minister of Energy, Science, Technology, Environment and Climate Change (MESTECC).

ORGANIZER



MAIN SPONSOR



VENUE PARTNERS



HOSTING PARTNER



SPECIAL AWARD PARTNER



PARTNER OF HEARTS



LOGISTICS PARTNER



DIGITAL MEDIA



ACCOMMODATION PARTNER



TREES FOR TOMORROW



CINEMA PARTNER



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ACT4SDGS PARTNERS



SUPPORTING PARTNERS















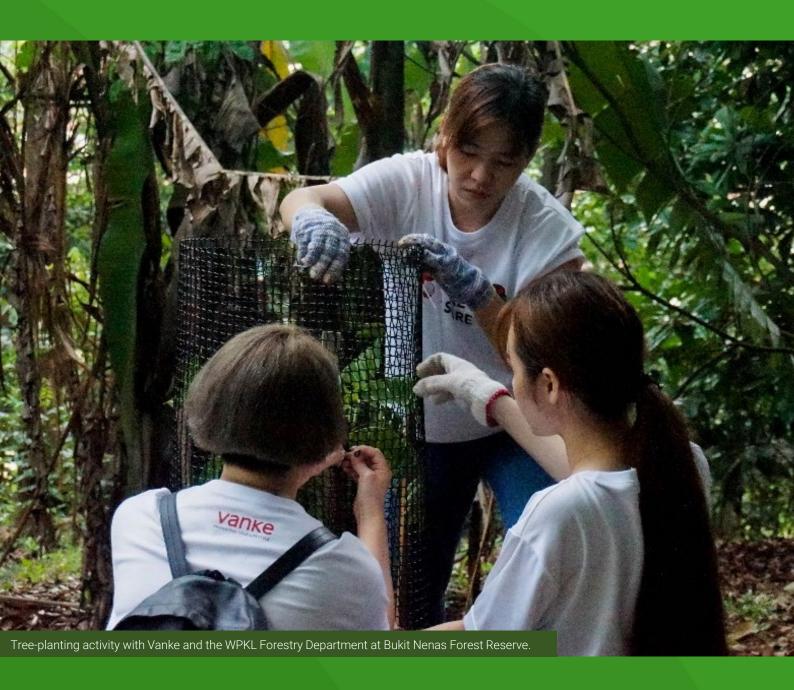








Rehabilitation, Restoration and Conservation



Rehabilitation, Restoration and Conservation (RRC) refers to the three steps or approaches that EcoKnights® uses to protect the ecosystems, both urban and rural.

Rehabilitation gives emphasis on the retention and reparation of degraded ecosystems. Restoration focuses on the retention or preservation of a particular ecosystem. Conservation refers to programs that focus on the preservation of a particular ecosystem for the future.



Klang Learning, Engagement and Action for Rivers (KLEAR) Program





Guided river explorations through our River Explorer programs (left) and workshops (right) are some of the ways we strive to educate Malaysians about why and how they should care about our riverine ecosystems.



KLEAR, or Klang Learning, Engagement and Action for Rivers is a public outreach program under ROLPOP (River Of Life Public Outreach Program). This program focuses on riverine communities such as residents, education institutes, business organizations and general public in adopting sustainable lifestyle to reduce their impacts to the urban rivers.

EcoKnights® focusing on two main rivers in Klang Valley which is Sungai Kerayong and Sungai Bunus. These tributaries are connected to the main river, Sungai Klang. Currently, rehabilitation and education program such as volunteering cleanup, tree planting, community workshop and school competition; Anugerah Hijau, have been running throughout this program.

1,620

People Engaged Through This Program in 2019 9

New Communities Have Participated in This Program 8

Public Engagement Have Been Conducted (Booth, Exhibition, Etc)

Anugerah Hijau





Anugerah Hijau is a secondary school green competition comprised of two components: an interactive talk session and a competition segment which focuses on enhancing the awareness of students', teachers' and school administrators of the importance of maintaining a greener lifestyle, which will directly and indirectly have an impact on the rivers surrounding them. The theme of this competition is to educate the younger generations on waste management and its importance in ensuring a clean river for the future.

For this edition, two categories will be contested which is 'Totally Active'; where the schools must address and apply action to reduce the school's impact on urban waterways, and 'Absolutely Creative'; a creative approach to increasing public engagement on River of Life project through films, under the theme of 'Protecting Klang River'.

The competition aims to:

- 1. Educate the youth regarding waste management and how it can be carried out in their school.
- Nurture critical and creative thinking by providing training to the school community and encouraging students to express their creative ideas on achieving a waste conscious lifestyle.
- 3. To help implement proper solid and organic waste management (food and garden waste, and used cooking oil) within respective schools.





General Statistics

1,733

Students Engaged Across 20 Schools in the Klang Valley.

RM9K

Earned From the 8 Projects Run Under the 'Totally Active' Category

8

28 tonnes

Original Films About Rivers Produced Under the 'Absolutely Creative' Category Of Waste Collected From the Projects Run Under the Totally Active Category

Program Partners







River Log Boom Clean-up and Tree-Planting





EcoKnights® regularly facilitates volunteering efforts in cleaning and beautifying rivers under the KLEAR program. This effort is a collaborative effort with corporates and educational institutes.

416

Volunteers Participated in Tree-Plantings

230

Volunteers Engaged for Log Boom Clean-up Activities

510 6 tonnes

Trees planted in 2019

Of River Waste Collected

Program Partners





kenanga

vanke





Bunus Fun Walk For River





Sungai Bunus is well known to be the only river in the city of Kuala Lumpur that starts and ends within the vicinity of the city. It starts at Setapak and runs through Wangsa Maju, Setiawangsa, Kampung Baru and finally the heart of Kuala Lumpur near the Jamek Mosque before it conjoins with the Klang River.

The Bunus Fun Walk for River (BFW4R) held in October at Sungai Bunus retention pond managed to raise funds to build a jogging track as well as restore degraded spaces around Sungai Bunus. In alliance with the Local Agenda 21 KL Chapter and DBKL (under the Sungai Bunus Action Group), the objectives are:

- 1. To increase public awareness towards rehabilitation of Sungai Bunus.
- 2. To raise funds for future rehabilitations programs at Sungai Bunus.







General statistics

156 RM109K

Volunteers Engaged

Fundraised for The Betterment of Sungai Bunus

252

Participants from General Public, Governmental Agencies, Corporates and Educational Institutes **50**

Fruit Trees Planted

750

Meter of Jogging Track Built

Program Partners

















Sustainability Communications



The Sustainability Communications pillar serves to communicate meaningful EcoKnights® projects in a way that elevates brand recognition and maximizes stakeholder engagement via the production of sustainability-driven content.

The role of visual design goes beyond collaterals and communication materials as its main function is to drive human behavior - in this case, converting environmental awareness to action, participation and empowerment.

Through strategic communications and effective digital tactics, this pillar works to amplify the voice of youths, organizations and individuals who are passionate about furthering environmental conversation and dialogues via audio and visual.

Media and Communication Statistics



RM38.6 million

PR Value Generated With ASR

54,868
Followers Across Our Facebook Pages

4,003

Followers Across Our Instagram Pages

36,143

Reach in EcoKnights® Website

1,410

Followers Across Our Twitter Pages

4,650

Newsletter Subscribers

Featured On





















Youth Development and Volunteerism



The Youth Development and Volunteerism pillar seeks to empower youths to be future leaders. The pillar is part of a larger process in fostering young individuals to meet the future challenges of sustainability and achieve his or her own potential.

The youth development programs are designed to nurture social, ethical, emotional, physical and cognitive abilities among the youths. This is to create and kindle their sense of interest in sustainability and to implement sustainability in all parts of life, especially in their future career path.

Essentially, the pillar refers to the idea that sustainable development among youths and volunteers is achievable and has the capacity to be preserved over time.

Volunteerism Program





Volunteers from colorful backgrounds gathered to ensure The International KLEFF is both impactful and fun for the public to be a part of every year.

Volunteers are extremely important in the execution of our programs. Without their help, EcoKnights® would not be where it is today. Their help and dedication are indispensable, and they help us create an impact with our programs far beyond what we can do by ourselves.

Total Number of Volunteers Engaged

Volunteer Partners













Empowering Youth Across ASEAN Program





One of the Participants Composting Food Waste in the Black Soldier Fly Larvae Enclosure.

The Empowering Youth Across ASEAN Program (EYAAP) was carried out for two weeks (16th February - 2nd March) at Gombak, Selangor.

The team of 10 ASEAN youth volunteers learned and conducted various activities in the Frangipani Organic Farm, such as farm tours, paddy and peanut planting and paddy milling.

On top of regular food waste collection, community engagement was also a major agenda for the program, having successfully conducted surveys in a night market, worked closely with local volunteers and hosted two educational workshops in local schools. The activities culminated in an Open Farm Day on 2nd March 2019.

599kg

of Food Waste Collected For Composting

283

Individuals Surveyed About Food Waste Management

Individuals Attended

EYAAP's Open Farm Day





The team set two objectives:

- 1) To increase the level of awareness of 100 people on food waste segregation and the adoption of integrated organic farming practices,
- 2) To collect 100 kg food waste during the two weeks period.

The project was implemented for two weeks (16 February-2 March 2019) in Gombak, Selangor in Malaysia. Throughout the two weeks, the EYAAP youth volunteers were trained about the circular economy of Integrated Organic Farming (IOF) and its sustainability among communities.

The trainings given incorporated various components of IOF - black soldier fly composting, constructed wetland system and crop rotation system.

88%

Of Participants Said They Will Compost Food Waste After Our Training Modules

90

Students Engaged Across 2 Schools

Project Partners











Leadership and Talent Development





One of the main components that continuously supports EcoKnights® till this day is our group of passionate and talented staff, interns and volunteers.

Therefore, the team continuously assists in the self-development and capacity building of individuals and communities through the EcoKnights® Leadership and Talent Development Program.

Overall Intern Statistics

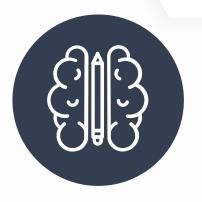
89.5%

Of the Interns Agree That They Were Able to Apply the Knowledge and Skills Learnt Through Their Internship Tasks 78.9%

Of the Interns Agree That the Internship Experience Helped Them in Preparing for Their Career, Advance Studies or Projects

Skills Learned During Internship





Visual Communication



Proposal Writing



Report Writing



Public Speaking and Communications



Project Management



Public Relations

78.9%

Of the Interns Find the Work in the Internship a Valuable Experience in Relation to Their Academic Studies

90%

Of Interns Agree That They Were Given Responsibilities That Enabled Them to Apply the Knowledge and Skills Learnt Through College/University Course Work



The Average Age of An EcoKnights® Intern

2019 Interns

January Intake



Nur Ain Syairah Yezid

November 2018 - February 2019

Landscape Architecture, International Islamic University Malaysia Pillar: Rehabilitation, Restoration and Conservation

"My journey with EcoKnights@have stapled many amazing memories and experiences that have brought me to call this organization my second home."



Ellaendrea Tan Yee Ling

December 2018 - February 2019

Business & Commerce, and Communication & Media Studies,

Monash University

Pillar: Public Outreach

"Not many companies or organizations would be so flexible so as to allow their employees to explore their interests and incorporate that into their job, and that is one of many things I like about EcoKnights®."



Tabitha Ow Hui Zi

January 2019 - February 2019

Environmental Science, University of Melbourne, Australia

Pillar: Youth Development and Volunteerism

"I would say that it was definitely a very eye-opening experience as I learned a lot about myself and what I wanted to achieve in life through this internship, and through the people I've met during that time."



Silke Lueg

January 2019 - March 2019

Environmental Science, University of Antwerp

Pillar: Community Development and Education

"I am happy that I could start the 'Meatless Monday' with mixed enthusiasm in the office, but after a while, everyone was positive. I hope that they are still doing it and can convince others to follow them!"



Teoh Wei Jiet

January 2019 - April 2019

Psychology, Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman

Pillar: Public Outreach

"If I'm being honest, I had my doubts about my new colleagues before I arrived in the office as I would consider myself a little reserved, but the people I've worked with have been among the most driven, diverse, and nicest group of people I've worked with, and I think they will be the part of EcoKnights @I will miss most."









January 2019 - April 2019

Yayasan Chow Kit

Pillar: Rehabilitation, Restoration and Conservation

"I was grateful that I chose this path in my life because EcoKnights® has taught me a lot of things, not only in organizing events and in environments. EcoKnights® taught me how to be a better person by acknowledging my own mistakes and keep improving because there will always be space for growth."

Raisalih Juhan Wasdiri

January 2019 - April 2019

Yayasan Chow Kit

Pillar: Rehabilitation, Restoration and Conservation

"For me, EcoKnights® is a loving place where they treat everyone like their own family and I hope EcoKnights® never lose sight of this special feeling that they have. That was the end of my journey here, but also the beginning for me somewhere else out there."



Low Yee Ting

January 2019 - July 2019

Environmental Management, Universiti Putra Malaysia Pillar: Rehabilitation, Restoration and Conservation

"I was part of the Rehabilitation, Restoration and Conservation (RRC) pillar, which taught me more in-depth skills of project management, organizing activities and workshops. My team leader always encourage me to work independently and make my own decisions, which allowed me to figure out my strengths and weaknesses."

February Intake



Rebecca Tan Tze Wei

February 2019 - April 2019

Environmental Geoscience, University of Edinburgh

Pillar: Youth Development and Volunteerism

"EcoKnights@ provided me several platforms in which I was able to demonstrate my capabilities and for me to go above and beyond my limits. It was a place for me to prove to myself that I was worth something."



Tang Jack Son

February 2019 - May 2019

Public Relation, Tunku Abdul Rahman College

Pillar: Sustainability Communications

"I am sincerely thankful to God and EcoKnights@ for giving me such a wonderful experience during this internship program. It had helped me expand my knowledge at the industry level, and also contributed to my self-development, individual, and mental growth."





Marcus Ng Jiun Ming

February 2019 - May 2019

Entrepreneurship, Tunku Abdul Rahman College

Pillar: Public Outreach

"I've had no special talents or skill set that I could offer them, but only a want for something bigger than myself for once. And that choice was one that brought me somewhere worthwhile, meeting really awesome people and lastly 'who said being environmentally friendly is unprofitable'. Now, what about you?"



Leonie Schulz

February 2019 - June 2019

International Development Management, University of Twente, Netherlands

Pillar: Public Outreach

"I've learnt a lot of hard skills for my future career in the environmental sector, but doing an internship with EcoKnights® has taught me way more soft skills than I expected, which are my biggest achievements during my time here in Malaysia."

March Intake



Farah Shuhada Affendi

March 2019 - June 2019

English Language, Universiti Pendidikan Sultan Idris

Pillar: Sustainability Communications

"During my internship, I was able to learn a lot about environment. From having zero knowledge, now I know how to upcycle reusable items, how to do composting, how we can grow foods, how to communicate better with different audiences, and so much more."

April Intake



Mariane Khoo Yen-Ai

April 2019 - August 2019

Marine Science, Universiti Malaysia Sabah

Pillar: Public Outreach

"I am most grateful for from this internship is the people I met and friends I made. Each has given me something to admire and learn from, and although I'm a little (very) reserved, the friends I connected with really made working here an enjoyable experience."



Wong Jun Hao

April 2019 - July 2019

International Baccalaureate, Taylors University College

Pillar: Youth Development and Volunteerism

June Intake



Ryuma Mekaru

June 2019 – September 2019
Political Science, Kyushu University
Pillar: Community Development and Education

"The most important moment I want to share with new upcoming interns is when we were developing the C4C project partnered with Shell. I was very honored to be involved with the project to help local communities in Kuala Lumpur to be empowered not only economically but also social-environmentally."



Nur Madihah Mohd Zamri

June 2019 - October 2019 Biological Sciences, Universiti Malaysia Terengganu Pillar: Rehabilitation, Restoration and Conservation

"At EcoKnights @, I discovered what I'm capable of doing, what I'm capable of thinking about and pushed myself to do things that I never thought that I can do."



Siti Norasyikin Mohd Noor

June 2019 - October 2019 International Relations, Universiti Sultan Zainal Abidin Pillar: Public Outreach

"Memories during KLEFF will never vanish from my mind where I was thankful to my team leader because it gave me such a golden opportunity to handle the Green Market which is one of the vital parts of KLEFF."



Oh Hui Ling

June 2019 – November 2019 Marine Science, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia Pillar: Public Outreach

"Sometimes we have internal workshops to increase our knowledge and skills about sustainable living! We also got opportunities to attend workshops provided by external parties to develop ourselves."





Nur Syafiqah Firdaus

July 2019 – October 2019 Tourism and Hospitality, Universiti Malaysia Terengganu Pillar: Rehabilitation, Restoration and Conservation

"We interns were tasked to lead several components in KLEFF and this further proves that you're never just a subordinate in EcoKnights @. You'll learn what it takes to lead and handle volunteers in order to get your component running smoothly."





Nadia Zul Hisham

July 2019 - December 2019

Chemical Engineering, Universiti Malaya Pillar: Youth Development and Volunteerism

"From making sponsorship requests and coordinating volunteers for the Kuala Lumpur Eco Film Festival to becoming a tour guide at an organic farm, interning at EcoKnights® provides many learning opportunities, no matter which pillar you are placed under."



Isabel Keshini

July 2019 - September 2019 A-levels, HELP Academy

Pillar: Sustainability Communications

"Working with the Sustainable Communications pillar, I was able to see first-hand how important good publicity is for any organization. I feel empowered by the fact that I have some experience under my belt working with editing software such as Adobe Illustrator."

August Intake



Hong Boon Jit

August 2019 - October 2019 Biotechnology, Monash University

Pillar: Public Outreach

"I've learned that proper planning, communication and collective understanding of the end goals precedes good execution. Admittedly, I struggled to perform my tasks, however the lessons learnt were insightful and allowed me to grow more confident and determined."

September Intake



Toh Wei Shan

September 2019 - December 2019 **Environmental Studies, Universiti Malaya**

Pillar: Public Outreach

"Being a coordinating member to leading a GPR program has taught me a lot, especially in terms of conveying non-verbal messages to rangers' parents to avoid confusion miscommunication."



Jesslyn Liew Pei Ying

September 2019 - November 2019

Commerce and Professional Accounting, Tunku Abdul Rahman

University College

Pillar: Community Development and Education

"It is truly an eye-opening and wonderful experience at EcoKnights® as I have learned to handle unexpected situations, event management and meet different people from various organizations. We are more than just colleagues but are friends that will share laughter and stress together."



November Intake



Jaybee LeonardoNovember 2019 – Current

Yayasan Chow Kit

Pillar: Rehabilitation, Restoration and Conservation

"Working in EcoKnights® made me realize that I should grab every opportunity put in front of me in order to achieve and learn. Doing an internship in EcoKnights® was the greatest opportunity I ever had."



Faradipa Abdullah

November 2019 – Current Yayasan Chow Kit Pillar: Public Outreach

"It (EcoKnights®) is a platform where I applied my theoretical knowledge gained in school; a hands-on approach has been invaluable. Skills such as multitasking, communicating, learning to deal with diversity, communities, and dealing with deadlines are different when you are working for someone else, not like what I do in school.



Nurmila Muhiddin

November 2019 - Current

Yayasan Chow Kit

Pillar: Community Development and Education

"Working hard, cultivating patience and facing challenges in your life, its not easy and it needs a lot of energy. But EcoKnights® taught me how to overcome those challenged and stay calm. Not only that, it taught me to be humble as well."





Nur Batrisya Fathima

July 2019 - August 2019 Roots and Shoots Malaysia

Pillar: Community Development and Education

"My time at EcoKnights® has definitely been a life-changing moment for me. All in all, volunteering at EK has been a self-discovering journey which equipped me with invaluable life skills such as project management and teamwork."

Monthly Report Milestones



As EcoKnights® ends the year with a new outlook and determined frame of mind before entering a new decade, we would like to share our 2019 journey in driving sustainable actions with key stakeholders via smart partnerships and strategic engagement programs.

This year alone we have conducted over 150 sustainability-driven projects with an average of 13 projects done monthly, with the highest track of 30 projects conducted in May, and 64 CSR programs executed.

Through these projects, we strive to commit to the aspects of environmental protection, social inclusions, and economic boosts as we contributed to 510 trees planted; 9.87 tonnes of waste collected; 12,591 people benefited and RM122K total revenue generated by Impact Market vendors, among others.

Our monthly milestones are a testament to our dedication to further strengthen our impactdriven flagship programs through robust action plans, supported by relevant stakeholders.



January 2019





12 January River of Life Tree Maintenance

Partner(s): Sunway University Output:

- 6 Participants for Mudball Making Workshop
- 6 Volunteers from Sunway University; EcoKnights @ Team



12-13 January Nissan Nurtures Nature

Partner(s): Edaran Tan Chong Motor Output:

 74 Participants in DIY Self-Watering System



17 January

Fulbright Event

Partner(s): US Embassy Output:

 30 Fulbright Teaching Assistants Participated



20 January KL Car Free Morning

Partner(s): Dewan Bandaraya Kuala Lumpur (DBKL) Output:

Approximately 40 Participants in Total





24 January Log Boom River Clean Up

Partner(s): Kolej Universiti Poly-Tech MARA (KUPTM), Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Alena Murang

Output:

- 15 Volunteers from KUPTM and UPM;
- 246.9kg in Waste Collected;
- 15 Mudballs Made



ECoKnights

26 January Eco Enzyme Workshop @ PPR Kerinchi Lembah Pantai, Bandar Baru Bangsar

Output:

• 30 Participants in Total



26 January River Of Life Music Video Shoot

Partner(s): 1Razak Mansion Output:

 9 Children from 1Razak Mansion and their Guardian



GAMUDA PARKS

GAMUDA LAND

26-27 January X-Kitement Earth-Themed Carnival

Partner(s): Gamuda Parks, Gamuda Land

Output:

218 Participants in Total



27 January Starbucks Green Outreach Program: DIY Self-Watering System

Partner(s): Starbucks Malaysia Output:

• 26 Participants in Total



Booth engagement with members of the public About the River of Life Initiative during the KI Car Free Morning.



Group photoshoot with ASEAN youths, representatives from Maybank foundation, Frangipani Organic Farm School, EcoKnights®, volunteers and members of the public who attended the farm open day.

February 2019





16 February Starbucks ROL Garden Maintenance / ROL-POP

Partner(s): Starbucks Malaysia Output:

• 15 Volunteers from Starbucks



16 February - 2 March Empowering Youths Across ASEAN Program (EYAAP)

Partner(s): ASEAN Foundation, Maybank Foundation, Frangipani Output:

- 10 Participants Interacted with 283 Community Members
- 610kg of Food Waste Collected
- 7 Volunteers

ASEAN FOUNDATION



23 February Zero Kitchen Waste @ EcoKnights®

Output:

 7 Participants Made Eco Enzymes



24 February Starbucks Green Outreach Program: DIY Self-Watering System

Partner(s): Starbucks Malaysia Output:

• 27 Participants in Total







27 February HSBC Community Log Boom Clean Up and Mudball Throwing Activity

Partner(s): HSBC, River of Life (ROL)

Output:

- 40 Volunteers from HSBC
- 40 Participants for Mudball Making Workshop
- 510.9kg of Waste Collected



Garbage being segregated during the HSBC log boom clean up.





March 2019



8 March MISC ALAM Malacca Environmental Awareness Campaign

Partner(s): Malaysian Maritime Academy (ALAM) Output:

- 200 Participants for Short Film and PSA Showings
- 50 Participants for DIY Self-Watering System Workshop





9 March MAKSAK Log Boom CleanUp

Partner(s): Majlis Kebajikan Dan Sukan Anggota-Anggota Kerajaan Malaysia (MAKSAK) Output:

- 26 MAKSAK Volunteers
- 26 Participants for Mudball Making Workshop
- 930.5kg of Waste Collected





16 March HSBC Tree Planting

Partner(s): HSBC Output:

- 40 Volunteers from HSBC Malaysia
- 40 Participants for Mudball Making Workshop
- 40 Trees Planted



16 March Soap-Making Workshop @ Flat Sri Penara

Output:

• 15 Volunteers from the Community



19 March KLEFF Lite UniMAS Film Screening

Partner(s): Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (UniMAS) Output:

• 50 Participants in Total



19 March IOI Candle-Making Workshop

Partner(s): IOI Properties Output:

 32 Participants from IOI Properties



20 March River of Life Music Video Launch

Partner(s): River Of Life Project Output:

 50 Participants from the Members of the Media and Alena Murang's Friends



23 March Gamuda Parks Ranger Terrarium Workshop

Partner(s): Gamuda Parks Ranger Output:

 32 Rangers/Participants in Total



24 March KLEFF Lite @ Taman Tugu

Partner(s): Friends of Taman Tugu Output:

• 14 Participants in Total



27 March and 31 March River Explorer Program

Output:

• 25 Participants in Total



30 March KLEFF Lite @ MNS Raptor Watch

Partner(s): Malaysian Nature Society (MNS), Friends of Bukit Kiara Output:

120 Participants in Total



30 March Gamuda Parks Ranger Woodwork Workshop

Partner(s): Gamuda Parks Output:

 25 Rangers/Participants in Total



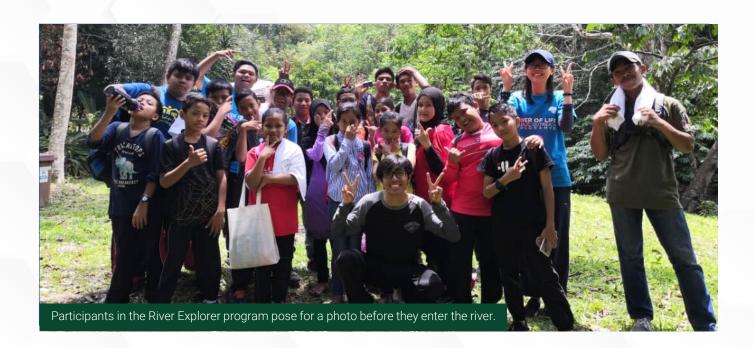
30 March Zero Kitchen Waste Soapmaking, Composting and Eco Enzymes Workshops

Output:

 5 Participants for Each Workshop



Participants in the Gamuda Park Rangers upcycled woodworking workshop display their creations.





April 2019



3 April Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow @ SMK Pandan Indah

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

• 100 Students Participated



6 April ISKL Environmental Engagement

Partner(s): The International School of Kuala Lumpur (ISKL) Output:

 70 Participants attended DIY Soap Making and Self-Watering System Workshops



7 April Taman Salak Soap-making Workshop

Partner(s): Dewan Bandaraya Kuala Lumpur (DBKL) Output:

40 Participants in Total

kenanga

10 April Kenanga #GreenAtWork DIY Sugar Scrub Workshop

Partner(s): Kenanga Output:

• 35 Employees Participated

vanke

12 April Vanke Tree-Planting and **Launch of Hutan Simpan Bukit Nanas Conservation Project**

Partner(s): Vanke Holding (M) Sdn Bhd

Output:

- 60 Volunteers
- 60 Participants for Mudball Making Workshop
- 30 Trees Planted





13 April Soap-making Workshop @ **PPR Sungai Bunus**

Partner(s): SWCorp, Alam Flora Output:

20 Participants in Total



13-14 April **KLEFF Lite @ Sampah Menyampah Earth Weekend**

Partner(s): The School (Jaya One) Output:

45 Attended Film Screenings

kenanga

17 April **Kenanga #GreenAtWork Kokedama Workshop**

Partner(s): Kenanga Output:

35 Employees Participated



17 April Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow SMK Sungai Besi

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

160 Students Participated



17 April Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow SMK Dato' **Ahmad Razali**

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

60 Students Participated



17 April Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow SMK Alam Damai

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

• 120 Students Participated



20 April Me.reka Soap-Making Workshop

Partner(s): Me.reka Output:

• 4 Participants in Total



20 April Starbucks Green Outreach Program: Soap-making Workshop

Partner(s): Starbucks Malaysia Output:

• 30 Participants in Total



20 April Gamuda Parks Ranger Composting Workshop

Partner(s): Gamuda Parks Output:

 11 Junior Rangers/ Participants



22 April Wong & Partners' Soap-Making Workshop

Partner(s): Wong & Partners Output:

30 Wong & Partners
 Employees Participated



23 April Time dotCom Eco Talk

Partner(s): Time dotCom Output:

• 30 Participants in Total

kenanga

24 April Kenanga #GreenAtWork Desktop Aquaponic System Workshop

Partner(s): Kenanga Output:

• 35 Employees Participated



24 April Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow SMK Datok Lokman

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL)
Output:

50 Students Participated



24 April Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow SMK Seri Ampang

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

400 Students Participated



25 April Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow SMK Shah Alam

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL)
Output:

100 Students Participated



26 April Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow SMK Ideal Heights

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

80 Students Participated



26 April Bursa Eco Carnival

Partner(s): Bursa Malaysia Output:

 30 Participants for DIY Sugar Scrub Making; 30 Participants for Kombucha Workshop; 30 Participants for Composting Workshop

kenanga

27 April Kenanga Farm Visit and BSF Composting

Partner(s): Kenanga Output:

• 30 Kenanga Employees Participated



27 April Gamuda Parks Ranger Soap-making Workshop

Partner(s): Gamuda Parks Output:

• 26 Rangers Participated



27-28 April Subang Parade Green Initiative Day

Partner(s): Subang Parade Mall Output:

• 120 Participants in Total



29 April Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow SM Sains Alam Shah

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output: 100 Students Participated





May 2019



2 May Environment and Sustainability Talk @ Bank Muamalat

Partner(s): Bank Muamalat Output:

 Approximately 80 People Attended the Talk



2 May Anugerah Hijau (AH) SMK Convent Bukit Nanas

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

200 Students Participated



3 May Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow SMK Darul Ehsan

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

40 Students Participated



5 May Sungai Bunus Cycling Event

Partner(s): Bunus Output:

• 257 Participants in Total



8 May Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow SMK Dato' Onn

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

• 50 Students Participated



10 May Green Ramadan Campaign (GRC) Interview @ BFM





10 May and 17 May Coway Tree-Planting

Partner(s): Coway Malaysia Output:

- 60 Participants for Mudball Making
- 60 Participants for Tree Plantings
- 20 Trees Planted





10-24 May Green Ramadhan Campaign

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL), ERE Consulting Group Output:

- 2,526 Participants
- 300 Bazaar Visitors
- 260 Litres of Used Cooking Oil Collected



11 May Bubur Lambuk Giveaway with Starbucks Malaysia

Partner(s): Starbucks Malaysia Output:

- 40 Volunteers
- Cooked 400 Containers-Worth of Bubur Lambuk





11 May HSBC Tree Maintenance

Partner(s): HSBC Output:

- 30 Participants for Tree Maintenance
- 30 Participants for Mudball Making



23 May Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow SMK Taman Kosas

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

• 80 Students Participated



25 - 26 May Gamuda Park Rangers Roadshows



27 May Gamuda Park Rangers Biodiversity Day

Partner(s): Gamuda Land Output:

200 Participants in Total



30 May Bank Muamalat Projek Pelangi

Partner(s): Bank Muamalat Output:

70 Participants in Total



31 May Eco-Booth Engagement @ Digi Telecommunications' Environmental Day

Partner(s): Digi



31 May Green Ramadhan Campaign (GRC) with Maya Karin

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

• 2,500 Eco-Friendly Bags with Food Containers Distributed



June 2019



12 June Pernod Ricard Log Boom Cleanup

Partner(s): Pernod Ricard Output:

- 60 Volunteers from Pernod Ricard
- 1.04 Tonnes of Waste Collected



13 June YPC Eco Enzyme Workshop

Partner(s): YPC International College Output:

• 25 Participants in Total



15 June HSBC Eco Day

Partner(s): Friends of Taman Tugu

Output:

• 300 HSBC Employees and their Family Members Participated



16 June Zero Kitchen Waste Workshop

Partner(s): Taman Tugu Output:

• 4 Participants in Total



19 June Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow SMK Seri Sentosa and SMK Aminuddin Baki

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

• 80 Students Participated



20 June BISKL Coffee Coaster Workshop

Partner(s): British International School of Kuala Lumpur (BISKL) Output:

14 Participants in Total



20 June Awareness Talk @ X Plastic / Siemens-Healthineers Raya Celebration

Partner(s): Siemens Healthineers Output:

• 100 Participants in Total



23 June Starbucks Green Outreach Program: DIY Self-Watering Systems

Partner(s): Starbucks Output:

• 30 Participants in Total



25-26 June River Explorer Program

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

60 Participants in Total



26-30 June
Paper Presentation @
Biennial Symposium on
Community Environmental
Education in Southeast
Asian Regions (CEES 2019)



27 June Shangri-La Hotel Soapmaking Workshop

Partner(s): Shangri-La Hotel Output:

• 55 of Shangri-La Group's Internal Staff Participated



27-28 June Shell SDG Recipient in Sarawak



29 June Gamuda Jade Hills BD Day

Partner(s): Gamuda Jade Hill Output:

- 45 Children Participated for Veggie Scrap Pattern-Making;
- 45 Children Participated for Rock Painting Workshop



30 June Gamuda Parks Ranger Kokedama Workshop

Partner(s): GParks Ranger Output:

• 36 Junior Rangers Participated



EcoKnights®, one of the recipients of the Shell Malaysia Sustainable Development Grants 2019, poses for a photo with the other winners and Shell Malaysia staff. Photo: Borneo Post Online.



July 2019



4 July HESS Staff Lunch Talk

Partner(s): HESS Output:

 60 HESS Exploration & Production Malaysia BV Employees Attended



4 July Panel Speaker @ Lim Kok Wing University SDG Conference

Co-Organizers: Limkokwing University of Creative Technology



5 July Composting Talk @ SMK Aminuddin Baki

Partner(s): River of Life (ROL) Output:

• 40 Students Participated



5-7 July Respect Our Coast @ Desaru Coast

Partner(s): Desaru Development Holdings One Sdn Bhd Output:

 Gamification Prompted 1,002 Actions



6 July RTM Interview With Dr Yasmin Rasyid



8 July Anugerah Hijau (AH) SukaROLPOP

Output:

• 150 Students Participated



16-18 July EYAAP Alumni Gathering @ ASEAN Laos



20 July Taman Tugu Seedbomb Workshop

Partner(s): Taman Tugu Nursery Output:

5 Participants in Total



21 July Starbucks Malaysia Green Outreach Program: DIY Self-Watering System

Partner(s): Starbucks Malaysia Output:

 30 Participants and 30 DIY Self-Watering Systems Produced



23 July Panel Speaker @ Sunway University YouthSpeak Forum

Partner(s): Sunway University Output:

17 Participants in Total



26-28 July Anugerah Hijau (AH) Roadshow Finalist Camp

Partner(s):: River of Life (ROL) Output:

• 64 Participants in Total



27 July Gamuda Parks Ranger Field Trip: A Day on the Farm

Partner(s): Frangipani Natural Farm, Gamuda Parks; 44 Rangers and their Parents Participated



27 July Frangipani Natural Farm Opening Launch

Partner(s): Frangipani



31 July Soap-making Workshop @ Berjaya TVET Carnival

Partner(s): Berjaya 60 Participants in DIY Soap Making Workshop



Participants at the Gamuda Parks Rangers field trip posing with Lugo (the GPR mascot) and their very own black soldier fly composting unit.



August 2019



2-4 August **Gamuda Parks Rangers** Booth @ BB4SCP 3.0 **Paradigm Mall**

Output:

• RM168 in Funds Raised; 52 Registrations under GPR



3 August **Sustainable Fashion Talk @ Revibe Fashion Festival, Dasein**

Output:

15 Participants in Total



3 August **Composting Workshop and Booth @ Waste.D UTAR**

Partner(s): Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman (UTAR)

Output:

- 30 Attended Food Composting Workshop
- RM1,000 Donation Received from Ms Isabel Tok
- RM74 in Items Sold



6 August **AUSMAT's Fundraising For EcoKnights®**

Partner(s): Sunway College Output:

RM11,600 Donated by Sunway to EcoKnights®



6-9 August Empowering Youth Across ASEAN Program (EYAAP), Jakarta ASEAN



14 August Composting Workshop @ Danone Negeri Sembilan

Partner(s): Danone Output:

 20 Participants Made 20 Compost Items



15 August YWCA Soap-Making Workshop

Partner(s): Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) Output:

17 Participants in Total



17-18 August Gamuda Parks Rangers Booth @ Sentul Festival

Partner(s): Gamuda Parks Ranger RM95 in Funds Raised; 66 Registrations under GPR



17-18 August KLEFF Lite @ Dignity for Children Foundation

Partner(s): Dignity for Children Output:

16 Participants in Total



21 August Composting Workshop @ Danone Kuala Lumpur

Partner(s): Danone Output:

• 30 Participants Made 30 Composting Model



23-25 August Gamuda Parks Ranger @ Pameran Hutan Kita, KL Tower

Partner(s): Gamuda Parks Ranger Output:

• 9 Registrations under GPR



24 August Zero Kitchen Waste Workshop

Output:

 9 Participants Made 27 Paper Straws



29 August Eco Enzyme Workshop

Partner(s): Alfa Laval Sdn Bhd Output:

 26 Alfa Laval Malaysia Employees Participated



29 August DHL Tech Sale

Partner(s): DHL IT Services Output:

 RM39,150 Raised via Sales of Second-Hand Electronics





September 2019



5 September YWCA C4C Soap-making Workshop

Partner(s): Shell Malaysia Sustainable Development Grants, Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) Output:

16 Students from YWCA



6 September Vanke Tree-planting for Bukit Nanas Conservation Project

Partner(s): Vanke Output:

- 10 Participants from Vanke
- 10 Participants from SMK St. John
- 20 Trees Planted



13 September
KLEFF Media Launch by
Sustainability
Communications





14 September SWIFT Project H20

Partner(s): Build for Tomorrow, SWIFT, EcoKnights®
Output:

- 30 Participants from SWIFT
- 5 Participants from EcoKnights®
- 4 Participants from Build for Tomorrow



17-19 September
PR Bootcamp for
Sustainability
Communications Officers



21 September Gamuda Park Rangers @ Gamuda Cove

Partner(s): Gamuda Land Output:

• 358 Registrations under GPR



23 September EcoKnights® Program Director Fadly Bakhtiar: Sunway Marketing Talk

Output:

30 Students Attended the Talk



29 September Gamuda Parks Ranger Booth @ Gamuda Cove

Output:

330 Registrations under GPR



29 September 1Razak Mansion C4C Soapmaking Workshop

Partner(s): Shell Malaysia Sustainable Development Grants Output:

- 30 Community Members Participated
- 60kg of Used Cooking Oil Collected
- 13.65g of Soap Produced



Participants in the Swift H20 project begin digging foundations for the water system they are about to install



October 2019



5 October RTM Interview with Fadly Bakhtiar



5 October Gamuda Parks Ranger Booth

Partner(s): Gamuda Land Output:

• 331 Registrations under GPR



7-13 October Kuala Lumpur Eco Film Festival (KLEFF)





9-11 October KLEFF @ IGEM 2019

Output: RM203 Raised from Merchandise Sales; Four Films Screened to 54 People



9 October Anugerah Hijau (AH) Award Ceremony

Output:

• 64 Participants in Total



10 October KLEFF Award Ceremony

Output:

- 53 Attendees
- 20 Film Award Winners



11 October Kiehl's Eco Day

Partner(s): Kiehl's Output:

120 Participants in Total



19 October Bunus Fun Walk 4 River

Partner(s): Dewan Bandaraya Kuala Lumpur (DBKL), LA21, Jabatan Pengairan dan Saliran (JPS), Alam Flora, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM)



26 October ROL Cosplay River Cleanup

Output:

• 9 Participants in Total



29 October Booth Enagagement @ Monash Sustainability Day

Output:

 RM56 Worth of EcoKnights® Merchandise Sold



31 October Dow Chemicals River Cleanup

Output:

 30 Participated in Park Cleanup







November 2019



4-6 November 2019
Participation in ASEAN
Youth for Sustainable Palm
Oil Summit







10 November 2019 PPR Salak Jaya C4C Soapmaking Workshop

Partner(s): PPR Salak Jaya Output:

- 10 Participants
- Made 10 Cartons of Soap
- 8kg of Used Cooking Oil Collected







15 November 2019 Underwriters Laboratories River Cleanup

Partner(s): Underwriters Laboratories (UL) Output:

- 20 Volunteers
- 378.1kg of Waste Collected
- Mudball Workshop



16 November 2019 Persatuan Ibu Tunggal Bandar Tun Razak C4C Soap-making Workshop

Output:

- 33 Participants
- 11.7kg of Used Cooking Oil Collected
- 15.47g of Soap Produced



23-24 November 2019 Gamuda Parks Ranger Kokedama Workshop

Parter(s): Gamuda Land Output:

 54 Participated in Kokedama Workshop



27 November 2019 Green Energy Forum

Moderated by EcoKnights®
Program Director Fadly Bakhtiar



30 November 2019 Gamuda Park Ranger Turtle Neck-Lace GPR Workshop

Partner(s): Gamuda Output:

 9 Participants Made 9 Plastic Turtle Necklaces



30 November - 1 December 2019

Iskarnival Johor

Partner(s): UEM Sunrise Output:

- RM12,240 in Sales from Impact Market
- 10 Films Screened
- 40 People Made 40 Cartons of Soap
- 62 People Made 70 Sugar Scrubs





December 2019



5 - 8 December 2019 KLEFF 2019 @ China Short **Film Festival**

Partner(s): China Short Film Festival (CSFF) Output:

- 1 Local Film Screened
- 1 Award Nomination



7 December 2019 **Gamuda Parks Ranger** Field Trip: A Splash In The River

Partner(s): GPR at Taman Warisan Klang Gate Output:

- 38 Participants
- 38 DIY Water Filters Produced



8 December 2019 PPR Taman Mulia C4C Soap-making Workshop

Partner(s): Shell Output:

- 20 Community Members from Komuniti Surau al-Hijrah
- 20 Cartons of DIY Soap Produced
- 8kg of Used Cooking Oil Collected



15 December 2019 Renewal Community Care C4C Soap-making Workshop

Partner(s): Shell Output:

- 23 Participants
- 4kg of Used Cooking Oil Collected



19 December 2019 River Explorer Program

Partner(s): PPR Sri Alam Output:

• 9 Children Participated



21 December 2019 River of Life Community Visit

Partner(s): Pangsapuri 560 Bandar Bukit Puchong, Output:

• 13 Participants from 3 Different Communities



Partners We Worked With in 2019

In no particular order:























































































































































Closing Words

Before we close this report, I would like to take this last opportunity to thank all the stakeholders and partners whose cooperation has allowed us to become the organization we are today. Without them, EcoKnights® would not have arrived at this moment.

In 2019, we have made great strides towards mainstreaming and implementing the concept of sustainability. We have deepened our relationships with our partners and clients, and as a result, created an impact as an organization that was far bigger than the one we had last year. It warms my heart to see the growth curve that EcoKnights® is currently inhabiting, as it means that we are moving forward to a truly sustainable future. Of course, we couldn't have done it alone.

To our government and corporate partners, we thank you for your continued support. It has been an honour and a privilege to work with you in making this great nation a more sustainable one. Your partnerships with us nourish our organisation and is the fuel that catapults us forward and actualizes our ambitions.

To the communities who have worked with us in implementing our programs, we thank you. You allow us to affect sustainability on-the-ground and move Malaysia towards sustainability at a grass-roots level.

And last but not least, to the Malaysians that support us both from within and outside of EcoKnights®, thank you. Your ambition, drive, and passion are priceless.

EcoKnights® has come a long way from the organisation it once was when it was first started, and we are not planning on stifling our growth anytime soon. I sincerely hope you continue to support us on our journey as we continue to strive for our vision of making this world a better, greener, place!

Sincerely,

Founder & President of EcoKnights®,

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