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ILSI-SEAR DIRECTOR VISITS SEAFAST

June 5. Ms Yeong Boon Yee, Executive Director of International Life Science Institute – Southeast Asia Region (ILSI-SEAR) has visited SEAFAST Center Facility in Darmaga. During her visit, Ms. Yeong discussed several potential

SEAFAST Center-ILSI-SEAR cooperation's. Present in the discussion were Dr Nuri Andarwulan and Mr Steve Gregory. During her visit, Ms Yeong also met SEAFAST Center Faculty Dr Ratih Dewanti, member of the South East Asian Sub commission of ICSMF, to discuss the coming event of "Microbiological Safety Symposium" organized by International Commission on Microbiological Specification of Food (ICMSF) at Singapore, Nov 5-7, 2007.

June 7. Ms Yeong Boon Yee, held

a meeting on Indonesia ILSI Country Committee. Dr Purwiyatno Hariyadi attended the meeting as a Scientific Advisor to the ILSI-Indonesian Country Committee. The meeting topics were:

- (i) the new Country Committee Officials;
- (ii) future program for the ILSI Indonesia Country Committee (2007-2008).

SEAFAST Center has proposed to conduct a Sweeteners Exposure Study. The proposal is scheduled to be discussed at the next meeting.

ARIEF NUR GOMO PUBLISHES ARTICLE

Food Review magazine issue 6 featured an article written by Arief Nur Gomo. The article, entitled "Small scale milk processing industry" detailed the conditions of milk industry in Indonesia, and also constituted itself as a comprehensive guide about milk industry.

It's main purpose was to explain most of the common problems that are faced by a newly founded dairy enterprise. It also explained the problems faced by the dairy producers, especially in Brastagi, North Sumatra and Cangkringan, Yogyakarta.

In this two areas SEAFAST has already done surveys– Brastagi and developed small scale dairy enterprise– Cangkringan.

SMCP NEWS

As reported in the 36th issue of the SEAFast Center Newsletter, Amana Women Cooperative, from Kabupaten Kulon Progo paid back it's one year loans. Last week, some members of this cooperative applied and received 15 new loans.

On June 10, members of Plered Cooperative, member of Karya Baru Grup, from Bantul Regency, applied and received 10 loans from SEAFast Micro Credit Plus (SMCP) program. Their main product is Javanese sugar (Gula Jawa) mixed with turmeric and ginger extracts.

PALM OIL RESEARCH PROGRAM

June 2, 2007. Evaluator team from Ministry of Research and Technology has met with research team from SEAFast center to discuss the evaluation results on Palm Oil National Research Program. Member of evaluator team were (i) Dr Zulkarain Pulungan (PT Makin, Jakarta), (ii) Dr Anny Sulaswati (Ministry of Research and Tech-

nology), (iii) Dr Sugiono Mulyopawiro (Research Institute of Ministry of Agriculture), (iv) Dr Suwita (PT Sinarmas, Jakarta) and (v) Mr. Indra Budi (Agency for Assessment and Application of Technology, Jakarta). Following the evaluation, researchers from State University of Lampung presented research proposals on (i)



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palm oil tissue culture and (ii) fertilizers.

MARK KELLY AND ARIEF NUR GOMO VISIT MANADO



UD Evelyn workers

June 3 to June 10, Mark Kelly and Arief Nur Gomo were in Manado. Arief Nur Gomo's task

was to visit companies and enterprises in various fields of activity and schedule food safety training. Visited SMEs can be divided in three different categories:

- producers: CV. Permata Sari, UD Evelyn, PT. Indofood Sarana Makmur, Pt. Air Manado etc;
- distributors: Fresh Mart, Jumbo Supermarket, Sahabat Supermarket etc.

- restaurants: City Extra Restaurant, Mutiara Restaurant etc.

On June 5, they visited Mark Kelly and Arief Nur Gomo inspected the PT. UMT Manado facility.

