

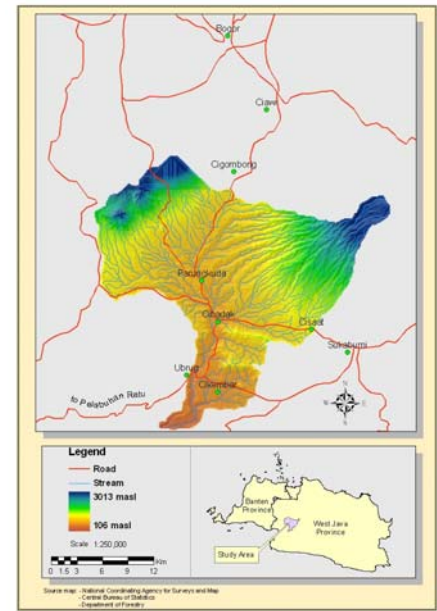
CICATIH Watershed:

Working together to protect environment and to improve livelihood

On the 15 of March, IPB and CIFOR organized a workshop as an initial effort to invite all stakeholders of CICATIH watershed (Sukabumi – West Java) to discuss potentials and constraints in protecting the watershed and improving the quality of life of the people residing within the watershed. At the workshop, IPB-CIFOR research team presented their research findings focusing on the bio-physical aspects of the watershed and the socio-economical aspects of the people in the watershed. The representative from ASPADIN (*Asosiasi Pengusaha Minuman dalam Kemasan Indonesia*) provided information on the number of factories currently in operation in the area and explained the potential financial contribution paid to the local government. Other presentations were given by representa-

tives of the central government (Ministry of Forestry), non-government organization - WALHI, and BPDAS Cimandiri-Cisadea. The participants of the workshop agreed to further intensify research on identification of stakeholders, bio-physical and socio-economic aspects of the watershed, funding potential, and institutional and policy aspects of environmental service rewarding mechanisms put into action.

CICATIH watershed is now a learning site of RUPES Program. At the workshop, RUPES was presented by Asma Sembiring and Anul Fauzi. For more information on CICATIH watershed, please contact Dr. Daniel Murdiyarso at d.murdiyarso@cgiar.org.



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