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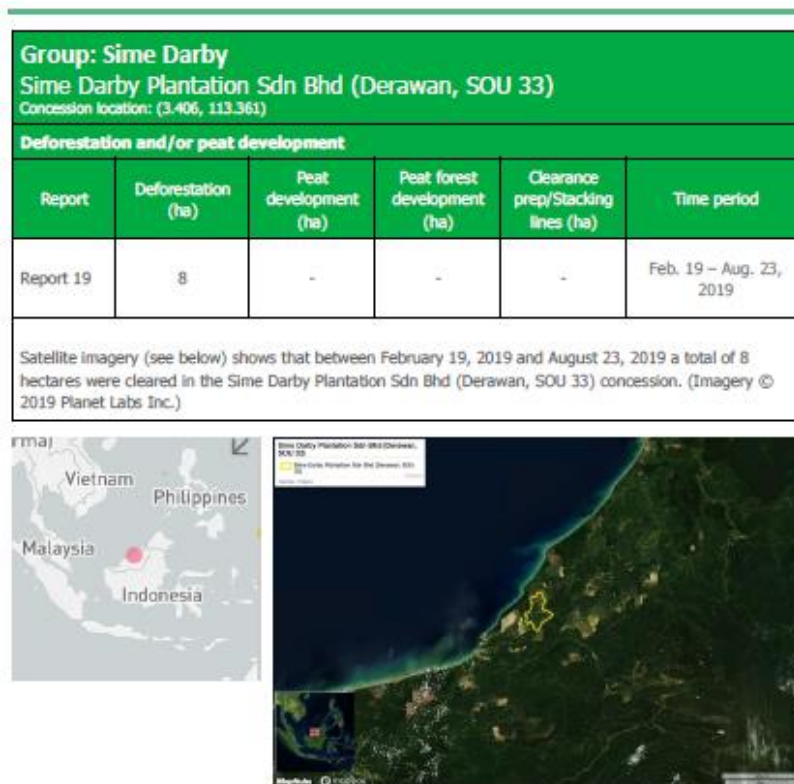


Mighty Earth's Rapid Response Report for September 2019 – Sime Darby Plantation (Derawan)

Background

Sime Darby Plantation (SDP) received an email from 10th September 2019 from Rapid Response (Mighty Earth) which documents recent deforestation and/or peatland development in 50 concessions in Indonesia and Malaysia.

Among cases registered, Sime Darby Plantation's Derawan estate is listed under cases identified using Planet Imagery for alleged deforestation and/or peat development.



Alert Imagery (before and after satellite images)

Clearance location: (3.353, 113.39)

Date: February 19, 2019



Date: August 23, 2019



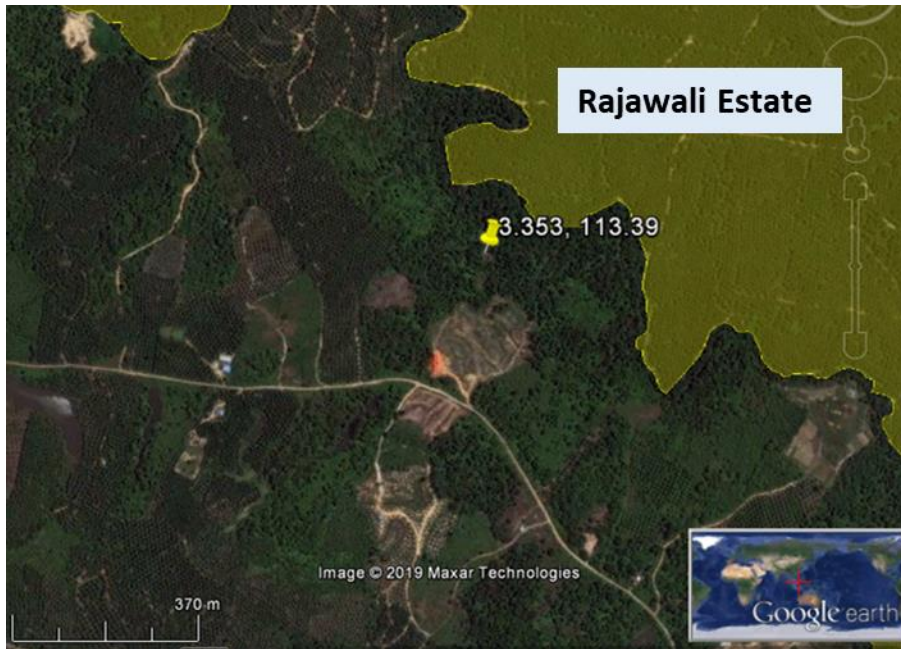
Ownership Information

Sime Darby Plantation Sdn Bhd (Derawan, SOU 33) is part of the Sime Darby Group.²⁵

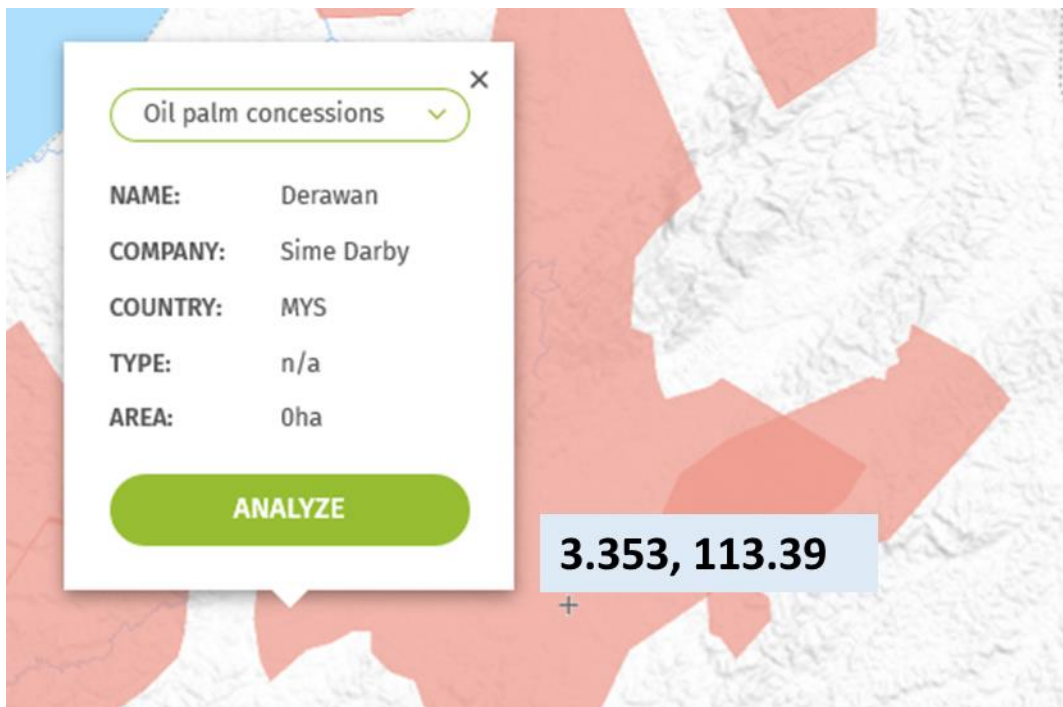
Desktop Verification:

The coordinate of cleared area (3.353, 113.39) falls outside SDP's concession i.e. ~100 meter away from Rajawali estate boundary.





Nevertheless, the coordinates fall within Derawan's map published by Global Forest Watch (GFW) *(unknown source)*,



On-site verification:

Upon on-site verification, we confirmed that there was no land clearing/ deforestation reported within our estate boundaries. The coordinates/ area reported in Rapid Response’s report falls within concession of other local agricultural company, Semaian Tan (Kedah) Sdn Bhd.

Rajawali Estate (Field P00RA) and local community/ outsider is separated by Sg. Similajau (refer to Picture 1).

Based on observation, the area was cleared for durian orchard with patches of immature oil palms (refer to Picture 2 and 3).



Google Earth map of areas surrounding the coordinates (3.353, 113.39) bordering Rajawali Estate boundary

Point RJE 1:



Picture 1: Estate boundary next to Sg. Similajau

Point "Outsider 2"



Picture 1: Patches of immature oil palms

Point “Outsider 3”



Picture 3: Durian orchard

Conclusion

From our internal verification (both desktop and ground truthing), it is evident that the alleged land clearing area is outside SDP’s management/ operating area.

As the world’s largest producer of CSPO, SDP is strictly committed to No Deforestation, No Peat and No Exploitation (NDPE) and today our own operations deliver to standards that go beyond those commitments.

Ground Verification by : Regional SQM, Sarawak

Report Prepared & Verified by : SQM-Malaysia