



More than 40,000 people live in villages nearby to Goodhope's plantations in Indonesia. They have high hopes that their lives will be more prosperous with the opportunities that the company brings. Local stakeholder engagement involving two-way dialogue between the company and local communities is crucial to establish and maintain mutually beneficial relationships.

The Group follows RSPO guidance on Free Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) to develop land-use agreements that respect the land rights of local communities. Prior to seeking consent for project activities, social teams visit all villages in the area to introduce the company and communicate the potential positive and negative benefits from the activities proposed by the company, including explanation of land compensation, Plasma and CSR programs. Agreements are negotiated with the understanding that any group or individual with landowner or land-user rights has the right to reject the plans and proposed by the company.

Comprehensive and participatory assessments are carried out according to RSPO New Planting Procedures to identify and understand the environmental and social values present in a proposed new development area and to ensure the protection, monitoring and management of those values. By Focus Group Discussion (FGD), Participatory Mapping, Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA), and stakeholder consultations with local communities, the company gains the information it requires about land tenure and land rights, potential or actual areas of conflict, and community needs and aspirations. This helps to ensure that our management, monitoring, and land use plans are compatible with the interests and rights of local communities.

At each of our plantation companies, designated social teams regularly engage with local communities to identify community needs and aspirations, to address any concerns, and to determine priorities for management plans. These local stakeholder engagement activities are important to prevent the emergence of complaints and conflicts. All enquiries are logged in a 'Book of Communications' and steps are taken to address each issue raised.

At times, our social teams are supported by third parties. For example, in Nabire Papua, we are working in partnership with PILI-Green Network to engage with local stakeholders and encourage community participation in projects that aim to provide alternative sources of income for local communities. FGDs and PRA have been carried out to gain information on sources of income and to incorporate the knowledge and opinions of local communities in the planning and management of projects.



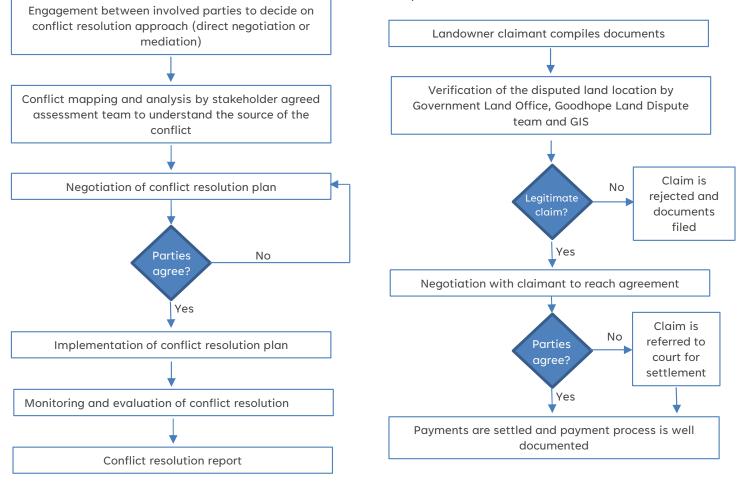
Focus Group	A qualitative research method and data collection technique in which a selected group of
Discussion (FGD)	people discusses a given topic or issue in-depth, facilitated by a professional, external
	moderator.
Participatory	The collection of spatial social data in a participatory and inclusive manner with affected
Mapping	communities and other local stakeholders to record and represent the perceptions of
	local stakeholders. It helps to explore and assess the situation prior to development.
Participatory Rural	Method to study the conditions and rural life of, with, and by the local communities. It
Appraisal (PRA)	allows village people to share their knowledge of village conditions and life, so that the
	company can analyze make plans, take action and drive improvements. It is used to
	assess social impacts in a participatory manner with local communities.
Stakeholder	A participatory process that is conduced to verify information gathered, collect new
Consultation	information, assess the validity or credibility of claims, seek opportunities to reduce
	conflicts from management decision making and gather inputs from various stakeholders
	for management and monitoring.

## **Conflict Resolution**

Any conflicts that may arise are addressed as indicated in the flowchart below. Ideally, any conflict can be resolved by direct negotiation between the company and community, but as conflict escalates, it becomes more difficult to secure a solution by direct negotiation, and resolution approaches involving third parties are sought. Third parties include mediators or the RSPO, with the last resort being litigation.

## Land Dispute Settlement

Given the nature of the Group operations, land boundary disputes are inevitable. Once a land claim is filed, land legality is verified by the company and Government Land Office. In case of any anomaly, the case can be referred to court. Verified legitimate claims are settled by negotiation with the land claimant. If an agreement cannot be reached, the claim can be referred to court for settlement. The process for addressing land disputes is indicated in the flowchart below:





Local communities benefit from the provision of jobs, basic amenities, education, medical services and smallholder schemes. We also fund capacity building activities to help improve food security and strengthen livelihoods. Food security is supported by providing training and resources for food cultivation, protecting food cultivation areas as HCV areas and providing donations when needed.



