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ISSUE OF THE WEEK



PRISMA SUPPORTS PRIVATE-LOCAL GOVERNMENT COLLABORATION AMIDST COVID-19 PANDEMIC

PRISMA continue facilitating private-local government collaboration amidst the pandemic of COVID-19. Within this month only, PRISMA has facilitated 4 collaboration activities between private sector and local government in East Java and Central Java. **First**, collaboration commitment between Provincial Agriculture and Plantation Office of Central Java to improve maize productivity through the provision of GAP from private seed producers to farmers who receive government's maize seed subsidy/assistance. **Second**, collaboration commitment between PRISMA, Provincial Government of Central Java and an e-commerce company, PanenID, to connect agriculture commodities produced by Central Java farmers to end customer and corporate buyers. **Third**, collaboration commitment between PRISMA with East Java Government's technical offices and an e-commerce company, Tukangsayur.co, to connect agriculture related commodities from traditional markets, SMEs, and Cooperatives to household consumers. **Fourth**, progress evaluation meeting between PRISMA, District Government of Pamekasan and a ground water detection service provider company (CV. Rong Cu Yu) which concludes that PRISMA's private partner has completed 43 of 88 targeted location for ground water detection. So far, the use of more precision technology for ground water detection has proven successful in mitigating risk of failure to find water during the drilling phase, again. This satisfactory performance trigger BAPPEDA Pamekasan's interest to scale up this activity to new locations in Pamekasan, next year. Source: PRISMA's MoM

POLICY INSIGHT



1. National Level

- In an effort to prevent food crisis, President Joko Widodo calls to expand the government's food-estate program by developing 165.000 hectares of land in Central Kalimantan. The President has instructed his line of ministers to work on the development of integrated food areas together, namely Minister of Defense Prabowo Subianto, Minister of Public Works and Public Housing (PUPR) Basuki Hadimuljono, and Minister of State-Owned Enterprises (BUMN) Erick Thohir. Basuki explained, the project aims to boost productivity by 2 tons of rice for each hectares of land. He added that this project is the government's second-highest priority after the development of the National Strategic Tourist Areas [KSPN]. The Coordinating Minister for Economic Affairs, the Minister of ATR/BPN and the Deputy Minister of Trade visited Central Kalimantan on 27 June 2020 in the context of reviewing the land of Food Estate development. According to the information gained from the online meeting between PRISMA and Bappenas on 25 June 2020, Bappenas was also appointed by the President to lead the development of Food Estate's master plan. <https://bit.ly/3i9InfA>; <https://bit.ly/3dGlc7V>; <https://bit.ly/2VtN7li>; <https://bit.ly/3inbgUG>
- In order to improve the performance of national logistics, the investment climate, and the competitiveness of the national economy, President Joko Widodo has signed Presidential Instruction (Inpres) No. 5 of 2020 concerning the Arrangement of the National Logistics Ecosystem on 16 June 2020, available on <https://bit.ly/3hOZfH8>. Through this Inpres, the President instructed Cabinet Ministers, Cabinet Secretaries, Heads of Indonesian National Police, Heads of Non-Ministerial Government Institutions; and Governors to take the necessary steps in accordance with their respective duties, functions and authorities in a coordinated and integrated manner to carry out the structuring of the national logistics ecosystem. <https://bit.ly/2BzGHdy>

- The government and House of Representatives' (DPR) Commission XI agreed to include Farmer Exchange Rates (NTP) and Fishermen Exchange Rates (NTN) as part of the development indicators in the State Revenue and Expenditure Budget Plan (RAPBN) 2021. Initially, several members of the Commission XI asked to include NTP and NTN in the development target. However, according to the Minister for National Development Planning / Head of Bappenas Suharso Monoarfa, these two cannot be set as targets considering that NTP and NTN are only measures to measure the welfare of farmers or fishermen. Suharso added, NTP and NTN were included in the National Medium-Term Development Plan (RPJMN) 2020-2024 as an indicator of development. Meanwhile, the Minister of Finance explained, including NTP as one of the development indicators will cause many dimensions. Policies on the agricultural sector such as fertilizer subsidies are also affected, which inevitably has an impact on the state budget structure of the spending posture. <https://bit.ly/2Z6dejp>
- Based on the World Bank report, fertilizer subsidies by the government actually have no impact on the welfare of farmers. Because, 30 percent of the total fertilizer subsidies actually leaked to parties who are not the target recipients of subsidies, for example oil palm plantations. According to World Bank Senior Economist for Indonesia Ralph Van Doorn, compared to providing fertilizer directly, the government is better to change the form of subsidies to farmers. One solution is to provide access for farmers to learn agricultural technology to improve the quality and quantity of production. <https://bit.ly/2AUgoPi>

2. Provincial Level

- **EJ:** Jokowi reminds the Governor, Head of Districts and Mayors in East Java to formulate policy for COVID-19 handling, based on adequate data, evidence and advises from epidemiologists and avoid reckless policy making. <https://bit.ly/3g8oOBi>
- **EJ:** The Provincial Task Force of COVID-19 handling acceleration implements rapid screening and swap test to the provincial government civil servants. So far, 9.000 of 77.593 provincial government civil servants of EJ have participated in the rapid screening test, where 322 of them are reactive to COVID. 171 of 322 people have already taken the swap test with a result that 29 persons have positive COVID-19. While the remaining 151 persons are still waiting for the swap test result. Those staffs are coming from 35 of 55 provincial government agencies/boards. The remaining 68.593 staffs are still waiting for their turn to take the test. <https://bit.ly/3gbqPgj>
- **CJ:** Kartu Tani program for allocation of fertilizer subsidies in Batang District has reached 100%. Batang became the first area in Central Java, even in Indonesia which fulfilled 100%. At the initial stage there were many obstacles and many farmers were overlooked. Improvements were made since 1 April 2020 with the total of 69,446 Kartu Tani. Kartu Tani is an integrated banking service access facility that functions as savings, transactions, lending up to subsidy cards. Kartu Tani is also re-verified every 20th to 25th of each month. When there is no purchase transaction in one year, the card will be automatically deactivated by the bank. <https://bit.ly/2Ylaf1p>
- **CJ:** PRISMA and the Provincial Government of Central Java have agreed to collaborate on the development of maize farming in Central Java and the use of ICT for the agricultural commodities purchase from farmer groups and delivery to consumers and corporate buyers. These were as resulted from two separate meetings held by PRISMA. The agreement for collaborative development of maize farming was carried out by PRISMA with the Central Java Agriculture and Plantation Office on June 26, 2020, while collaborative the use of ICT in the agricultural supply chain was obtained from the results of the PRISMA meeting, PRISMA' partner PanenID, the Agriculture and Plantation Provincial Office, the Food Security Provincial Office and ISDA Bureau Prov. Central Java on June 29, 2020. Source: PRISMA MoMs
- **NTT:** The Central Government will assist the community in the NTT Province to migrate from offline-based activities to online-based activities. Therefore, through the Ministry of Communication and Information Technology (Kemenkominfo), the government will increase the deployment of telecommunications infrastructure in NTT, to be on par with other regions in Indonesia. According

to Kemenkominfo, NTT Province still needs more infrastructure to deploy internet coverage. Efforts are made that “internetification” in NTT can be improved in the framework of equality of “internetification” in Indonesia, because NTT is included in the 3T region (frontier, outermost and lagging) which borders directly with other countries. <https://bit.ly/2Zh0bM3>

- **NTB:** NTB's Office of Manpower and Transmigration (Disnakertrans) recorded that the unemployment rate in NTB currently reaches 82,000. Head of NTB Manpower and Transmigration Office, Dra. T. Wismaningsih Drajadiah explained that during the COVID-19 pandemic, the number of unemployed people potentially increasing from several fields, including tourism workers, Indonesian migrant workers (PMI) and other sectors. With the start of the tourism sector, the agricultural sector and other leading sectors, the Government is pushing for workers to be reabsorbed gradually so that the number of unemployed in NTB decrease. <https://bit.ly/2BqgSNO>
- **NTB:** The COVID-19 pandemic in NTB exerted a significant influence on economic activity in this area. Especially when local governments impose social restriction policies. Responding to this issue, the Central Government, NTB Provincial Government, District/City Government and the village government have come up with policies in the form of social assistance and subsidies to the community to reduce the number of poor people due to the pandemic. To overcome all the social impacts of this pandemic, the role of data is very important and crucial. Therefore, the Vice Governor asked to immediately resolve the data problem in NTB. With good and accurate data, the assistance will be right on target. <https://bit.ly/3dMBigz>

FOOD SYSTEM

Impact at food supply continuity; food price; etc



1. East Java

- Ministry of Agriculture (MoA) releases 6,7 thousand tonnes of agriculture commodities from East Java with value of Rp 191,9 billion in Main Agriculture Quarantine Unit (Balai Besar Karantina Pertanian) of Surabaya on 25 June 2020. The commodities are cocoa powder, coffee, margarine, swallow nest, meatball, coconut oil, premix, milk and poultry feed. <https://bit.ly/3g9jEoB>

2. Central Java

- Kendal District has the potential to become an area with strong food security. This can be seen from the harvest and planting area which is fairly extensive. Head of Kendal District said, Kendal had a total land area of 46,419 hectares, of which 24,000 hectares were paddy fields and 22,000 hectares were dry fields. She added, Kendal is also the second largest chicken egg producing region in Indonesia. Rice production in 2019 will reach 236,370 tons of dry unhusked rice, while maize production will reach 215,086 tons. She conveyed this in the midst of the hybrid maize harvest together with the Minister of in Pucangrejo Village, Kecamatan Gemuh, on Saturday (6/27/2020). <https://bit.ly/3iiy2x0>
- Stocks of basic commodities in Kudus, Central Java, during the COVID-19 pandemic period are sufficient to meet the needs of the local community. The current stock of rice commodities in Kudus are 5,500 tons stored in the warehouses of traders. It tends to increase given the ongoing rice crop harvest. Towards Eid al-Adha, food stocks are estimated to remain sufficient. In order to ensure that stock sufficiency of goods, the District Government routinely conducts monitoring in several traditional markets and large traders, including monitoring the price movements of basic commodities. <https://bit.ly/3idNFWm>

3. West Nusa Tenggara (NTB)

- Towards Eid al-Adha, the government guaranteed the availability of basic and important ingredients (bapokting). To date, the food stock and its price are still safe. In order to ensure stock availability, the Head of Trade Office (Disdag) of Mataram City also intensively coordinates with Bulog and other distributors. It was also explained that the current price of broiler chickens had increased from Rp 35,000 to Rp 40,000 per kilogram. Likewise, the price of beef has also increased from Rp 130,000 to Rp 132,000 per kilogram. <https://bit.ly/3eOw7Oy>
- The availability of rice in Sumbawa Sub Divre Public Housing Agency is quite abundant. Looking at the existing stock, it can still be distributed to other regions such as East Nusa Tenggara (NTT). Since January to June 2020, 7,750 tons of rice from Sumbawa have been distributed to several areas in the local province. <https://bit.ly/2BOJsYn>
- Based on BMKG records, 51.2% of Indonesia has experienced a dry season while the rest is still experiencing a rainy season. Areas that start to dry out and enter rainless days (HTH) ranging from 11 to 60 days include in a small part of eastern Aceh, parts of Riau and eastern Jambi, the rest is dominated by northern West Java, Central and East, and Bali, and NTB. <https://bit.ly/2NlgEna>

4. East Nusa Tenggara (NTT)

- The District Government of Sumba Timur is working to optimize the use of land around the watershed (DAS) for agricultural activities facing the threat of food crisis. Therefore, farmers around the watershed are continuously encouraged and assisted to optimize their land potential. To date, agricultural production activities are still ongoing amid the COVID-19 pandemic. Farmers are educated to continue to follow the health protocol when carrying out agricultural activities. Admittedly, agricultural productivity in the district declined last year, due to lack of rain which caused crop failure. Facing drought this year, the district government focuses on optimizing the use of agricultural land around the watershed to keep producing. Some agricultural commodities which became the priority in the area are continuously encouraged, such as maize, beans, and tubers. <https://bit.ly/31w5Pwm>

5. Papua

- The Papua Provincial Government stated that the condition of food security in the region is safe during the COVID-19 pandemic. "Rice stock is sufficient for the next three months, while local food is everywhere so it is basically safe," said the Head of the Agriculture and Food Office of Papua Province, Samuel Siriwa in Jayapura. The Provincial Government invites all Papuans to love local products more and not to depend on imported products. "Any local products, it can be rice, local food, sago, tubers, all vegetable and fruit products," he added. This is said in order to help Papua avoid food shortages. <https://bit.ly/3g4nOy6>; <https://bit.ly/3g2H2UW>

SECTOR'S ISSUE

Specific issues related to the agricultural sectors PRISMA works in.



1. East Java

- **Crop Protection, Maize, Peanut and Mung Bean:** Rat-pest attack maize and legume crops in Senori Sub-District of Tuban. Small farmers with limited working capital are unable to stop the pest attack considering that chemical cost to protect the crops is too expensive to them. <https://bit.ly/389GcD3>
- **ICT:** Provincial Government of East Java will scale up LumbungPangan online market to cover other regions of Mojokerto District, Mojokerto City, Pasuruan District, Pasuruan City, and Bangkalan. LumbungPangan is currently operating in Surabaya, Sidoarjo, and Gresik with free delivery cost. <https://bit.ly/2VtYFVF>
- **ICT:** Agricultural Technology Assessment Agency (Badan Pengkajian Teknologi Pertanian – BPTP) East Java organized the 3rd online technical assistance (BIOS) to extension service workers and farmers on 24 June 2020. The event is organized on weekly basis. The 3rd BIOS disseminates GAP for rice planting on wet land & dry land and promote the use of planting calendar (KATAM) for dry season 2020. <https://bit.ly/31pOiWT>
- **Irrigation:** PRISMA and District Government of Pamekasan organized an online coordination meeting to monitor progress of ground water detection and drilling in the field during the pandemic. Based on the meeting, DPKP Pamekasan confirms that among 44 drilling target, 43 locations have been drilled with satisfactory result. Head of BAPPEDA Pamekasan appreciates the precision of AWUG technology in mitigating risk of drilling failure and plan allocate the remaining district budget in 2020 to support the same activity in 44 other locations. Source: Coordination Meeting between PRISMA, BAPPEDA Pamekasan, DPKP Pamekasan, DISTANPHP Pamekasan and BPBD Pamekasan on 25 June 2020
- **Rice:** The Head of Provincial Agriculture Agency informs that East Java will have rice surplus of 1.933.205 tonnes by the end of Semester I-2020. While attending Rice Planting Acceleration Movement event in Ngadirejo Village of Tuban, he said that rice planting target in the province for

June 2020 is 98.797 hectares and estimated rice harvested area in June 2020 is 110.662 hectare, with potential production of 626.564 tonnes of dried milled grain/GKG. <https://bit.ly/2VuWbqh>

- **Rice, Maize and Irrigation:** Provincial Government of East Java selects Sumenep District as food security region model in Madura. Governor Khofifah expects Sumenep to support the province's food security target. Vice Head of Sumenep District confirms that his district has allocated budget for underground water drilling and GAP assistance to support Sumenep farmers this year. However, he hopes the provincial government to also support local farmers in Sumenep with seed, fertilizer and mechanisation assistance. <https://bit.ly/2ZnOraw>
- **Soil Treatment:** Students from Agriculture Development Polytechnic of Bogor synergize their field activities with District Agriculture Office of Ponorogo's organic fertilizer promotion in Siman Subdistrict. Those students and public extension service workers in Siman collaborate in distributing 8.760 litre of liquid organic fertilizer (POC) and 54,750 tonnes of Granul Organic Fertilizer (POG), to cover a total farming area of 1.095 hectares, managed by 60 farmer groups from 18 villages of Siman Sub-District. <https://bit.ly/38bfaLu>

2. Central Java

- **Rice:** The Temanggung District Government budgeted Rp 464 million to help farmers procured hybrid rice seeds to support food security during the COVID-19 epidemic. The Head of District said that in order to support food security, it is necessary to increase production and productivity of food crop commodities, one of which is by providing rice seeds to farmers. In addition to rice seeds support, he also appealed to people in Temanggung to revive the home yard farming program to maintain food availability. He conveyed that the home yard farming program must continue to ensure food security for the community. <https://bit.ly/3gb7Xhe>
- **Irrigation:** The Agriculture and Food Security Office of Banyumas District has prepared hundreds of water pumps to anticipate the possibility of drought during the dry season which might result in crop failure. Dry season just started in the second planting season as the first planting season stretches and the harvest happened in May. Therefore, The Office has anticipated the possibility of drought by preparing water pumps, accelerating planting, and using short-lived rice varieties. <https://bit.ly/31uhJXG>

3. West Nusa Tenggara (NTB)

- **Beef:** The West Nusa Tenggara Animal Husbandry and Animal Health Office (Disnakeswan) will deliver 6.500 beef cattle to Jakarta, Bogor, Depok, Tangerang, and Bekasi (Jabodetabek) for the needs of Eid- al Adha. These beef cattle are part of the 78,159-cattle delivery quota in 2020. Of the total quota, 15,500 will be delivered outside the region, and 62,659 to meet within the region (Lombok Island). All beef cattle that were delivered are the result of fattening by farmers on Sumbawa Island. <https://bit.ly/2YKVzPI>

4. East Nusa Tenggara (NTT)

- **Seaweed:** The Sumba Timur District Government ensures that seaweed production in the area will continue to be marketed amid the COVID-19 pandemic. Admittedly, in some areas, there are indeed problems with marketing seaweed commodities. However, in Sumba Timur, seaweed marketing activities are still running because the seaweed factory managed by the BUMD (district government owned enterprise) continues to operate. Currently the Sumba Timur District Government continues to encourage farmers, especially on the coast, to continue cultivating seaweed to generate income and survive amid this pandemic situation. Indeed, in the current pandemic situation, seaweed commodity prices are declining, and domestic & export market demand is also declining. <https://bit.ly/3g9U5nF>
- **Maize:** The Kupang District Government encourages farmers to grow more maize in order to anticipate food shortages due to the long drought that is affecting this area. According to the Kupang District Agriculture Office, its impacts have already been felt in the region with the reduction

of paddy fields planted as a result of water shortages. Rice fields in Kupang District reach 20.000 hectares, however only 7.000 hectares can be planted with rice. Therefore, during the dry season, farmers are encouraged to multiply crops such as maize that do not need much water. So that food supplies during the dry season remain available. <https://bit.ly/31vry7F>

- **Irrigation:** Farmers in the Kupang Tengah Sub-District, Kupang District complained that the irrigation facilities were damaged, resulting crop failure of dozens of hectares of paddy fields owned by farmers in the 2020 planting season. Damage to the irrigation channel has occurred since last year. For example, in the Air Sagu irrigation for the Noelbaki rice field area. Due to the large number of damaged waterways, the flow of water to the eastern Noelbaki rice field is limited. The farmers are hoping that the government can help farmers by making improvements given that Noelbaki is a buffer of rice needs for Kupang City and Kupang District. <https://bit.ly/3i4sTbH>
- **Beef:** NTT Provincial Livestock Office (DISNAK) stated that the delivery of livestock to Java and its surroundings is in accordance with the COVID-19 health protocols. One of them is by conducting a rapid test and swab test for officers on a cattle boat before traveling. If an officer is infected, it is feared that it will disrupt demand for cattle supply from NTT. In addition, a number of livestock will be quarantined first for health checks before being delivered to the customer. So far, no officers have been infected. Meanwhile, NTT DISNAK noted that the number of cattle demands for Jakarta during the Eid Al-Adha continues to increase to 1,800 heads. It is predicted that the number of cattle to deliver to Jakarta may reach 11 thousand heads as in previous years. This does not include requests from the Kalimantan region. Meanwhile, the cattle delivery to outside NTT has reached 28 thousand heads to date, out of 54 thousand heads of the total target in 2020. This is constrained by the condition of sea toll vessels which are supposed to transport cattle in NTT. <https://bit.ly/31oPqK9>; <https://bit.ly/2VrZhuZ>
- **Pig:** There have been 6,619 pigs died from African Swine Fever (ASF) in Belu District in the last few months. The total losses suffered by pig farmers reached more than Rp 33 billion. According to the Animal Husbandry & Animal Health Office (DISNAK) of Belu, the number of dead pigs belonged to 1,772 households. Most pig deaths occur in the Sub-Districts of Atambua Barat, Tasifeto Barat, Tasifeto Timur and Atambua Selatan. Until now there is no vaccine and medicine available to cure ASF so vaccination cannot be done. The only way to do this is to enforce biosecurity to keep an area not infected with ASF. These prevention efforts require joint awareness so that communication, information and education (IEC) patterns are very important. <https://bit.ly/2Y1qQm1>

5. Papua

- **Vegetable:** Vegetable farmers in Jayapura City begin to experience water shortages. Dry season has caused the groundwater to decrease, which has an impact on vegetable farmers in Jayapura City. A vegetable farmer in Jalan Baru, Youtefa Market, Kotaraja, Adelia, claimed the water discharge began to decrease from April to June along with the dry season. To water her vegetable plants, she uses wells. "During the rainy season, I usually have a water reservoir to anticipate the dry season. However, the reservoir has begun to run out, so I use a neighbour's wells," Adelia said. <https://bit.ly/3g91NQ5>

RURAL ECONOMY

Impact at rural area such as continuity of farmers' production; agriculture inputs availability; labour availability at rural area; market access; etc



1. Central Java

- The Ministry of Agriculture will facilitate the export of black tomato produced by Citra Muda farmer group, Sidomukti, Kopeng Getasan Village to Dubai, United Arab Emirates. According to Agriculture Minister, there are high demand that cannot yet be fulfilled by Indonesian farmers. Head of Citra Muda farmer group explained that each month they could harvest 15 tons of various types of organic vegetables. In addition to curly kale (borecole), they also planted red lettuce, green lettuce, lettuce, tomato, chili and purple cabbage. In total there are 20 types of organic vegetables planted on ten hectares of land. <https://bit.ly/3ieF2L5>
- Entering the shallot planting period, a number of farmers in Tegal City have difficulty obtaining shallots seedlings. As a result, farmers turned crops into rice, vegetables and others. In addition, the price of shallot seedlings now reaches Rp 60,000 per kilogram, as recognized by Sudin (65), a resident of Keturen Village, Tegal City who works on the rice fields in Debong Kulon Village. Sudin admitted that he had difficulty finding seedlings though he is now entering the shallot planting period. According to him, it is difficult to find shallot seedlings because many farmers have lost money due to bad yields in the previous harvest season. The current price of shallot seedlings reaches Rp 60,000 per kilogram when normally is only Rp 25,000 to Rp 30,000. <https://bit.ly/2ZAI5af>

2. West Nusa Tenggara (NTB)

- Due to high demand from the community to revive their economy, one of the biggest livestock markets, the Selagalas Market in Mataram City re-opened on Thursday (6/25/2020). On the first day, the market's activity is relatively quiet. The number of cattle traders and buyers are quite low, followed by the falling cattle prices. Meanwhile the Tanjung Livestock Market in Lombok Utara District is ready to re-open after being closed since last April. According to Acting Head of the

Department of Food and Agriculture Office (DKPP), H. Hermanto, the re-opening of livestock market would revive the mobility of livestock trade. <https://bit.ly/2VvCTBc>; <https://bit.ly/2CTKkvs>

- Salt produced by people in Madak Village, Empol Village and Bertong Cendi Manik Village, Sekotong Subdistrict, Lombok Barat, which was previously bartered with rice or other staples, it is now become a promising industrial business. The salt produced by farmers in this area is absorbed for the assistance of Gemilang Social Safety Net (JPS). The only problem is for those who do not have a conveyance which required them to rent from a third party. <https://bit.ly/3gdUDIS>
- NTB Provincial Government through the Tastura Pelangan Forest Authority Office (Kuasa Pemangku Hutan – KPH), the Department of Environment and Forestry (LHK) signed a collaboration or Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with PT. Sahabat Usaha Rakyat. The signing of the MoU was conducted by the Head of Pelangan KPH, Burhan SP., MM and the President Director of PT. Sahabat Usaha Rakyat, Widya Wicaksana, witnessed by the Governor of NTB, Dr. H. Zulkieflimansyah at the NTB Provincial LHK Office on 23 June 2020. The MoU was signed in the context of developing a community-based business in the area of Balai Tastura KPH Pelastura Office of the Environment and Forestry Office of the NTB Province. <https://bit.ly/31wSMLg>
- PT. Pegadaian (Persero) has launched a new program to restore the economy after the COVID-19 pandemic. The program is in the form of loan up to Rp 1 million with interest free, called the Pawn Care Program. PT. Pegadaian even made it easy for Tembe Nggoli (a typical sarong of Dompu-Bima) to be used as collateral for a loan. <https://bit.ly/2AjbQl6>

3. East Nusa Tenggara (NTT)

- Young farmers in Sikka Regency are invited to maximally develop horticultural commodities due to its many benefits. Existing constraints such as limited water resources can be circumvented in various ways. One of them by using drip irrigation techniques. A young farmer in this area, Yance Maring, has succeeded in doing that. Since the middle of last year, he has planted various plants such as tomatoes, chillies, watermelons and maize. <https://bit.ly/3893GYO>

4. West Papua

- Governor of West Papua Dominggus Mandacan declared Kampung Aimation, Prafi District, Manokwari Regency, as a self-sufficient village amid the COVID-19 epidemic, due to the awareness of its citizens in implementing health protocols. Aimas Village was also considered to meet the indicators of food security, health security, and security endurance. <https://bit.ly/3g2H2UW>
- West Papua Governor Dominggus Mandacan reminded all village officials in the province to optimize the use of village funds so that the community remained productive amid the pandemic. It was noted that the Ministry of Villages and Disadvantaged Regions had issued instructions relating to the use of village funds. One of the instructions was village funds should be directed to the handling of COVID's impacts. "According to the direction of the Ministry of Villages, the village funds can be used for the BLT (direct cash assistance) program for communities that are affected by COVID-19. The assistance will be in cash of Rp 600,000 per family for three respective months", Governor said. <https://bit.ly/3dHR8sQ>
- Komando Armada (Koarmada) III, synergizes with the Local Government to increase the productivity of farmers by carrying out maize harvest in the Klawalu Village, Sorong City and Malawili Village, Aimas District, Sorong. The harvest in these two villages has been carried out for the second time, making them both maize barns to support national food security amid the COVID-19 pandemic. This activity is one of the regional defence development programs of the Koarmada Maritime Potential Development Office which has the duty and responsibility for the Regional Resilience Development (bintahwil) in West Papua Province. <https://bit.ly/3g9INQ5>