Ranggawulung's Urban Forest, Subang District, Indonesia: Landuse Change and Values in Relation to Plant Community Structure

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ABSTRACT

Ranggawulung's Urban Forest (RUF) is one of urban forest in Subang District under management of PT Pertamina EP field Subang giving good ecosystem services for people living surrounding the forest. Along with increasing population growth, the degradation of urban forest also increases and it is resulted in decreased biodiversity. This study was conducted to analyze plant community structure of RUF which was related to the land use change from 2012-2015 and also the values provided from its. The sampling sites were done in 42 large and small plots for tree (size: 40x40 cm) and shrub (size: 5x5 cm) in the area of 82 Ha. Data were collected from October-November 2015 including tree and shrub which were classified in family then were compared to data collected in 2012. Diversity index of Shannon-Wiener was analyzed to vegetation which was also associated with the consideration of land use change. Ranggawulung's urban forest had high diversity index (H'= 3.64 for tree, H'=3.07 for shrub) with the total number of individual were 1655 individuals belonging to 179 species from 101 families. Comparing to 2012, there was a decline of 153% total individual, although number of species and family increased in 2015. The land use change increased up to 65% in 2015 whereas 47% in 2012 of RUF including recreational activities, rice field, residential area and crop plantation. Thus, there is a serious problem faced by

the existence of RUF which is needed high attention to conserve biodiversity sustainably by all stakeholders, not only regional government but also all communities living surrounding this area. Socialization and education are the most important as initial steps for conservation acts besides replanting program which could be conducted by PT. Pertamina EP field Subang as a stakeholder of RUF.

Keywords: Landuse change, Plant community structure, Ranggawulung's urban forest, Subang District

INTRODUCTION

Ranggawulung's urban forest (RUF) is one of the protected areas in Subang district, West Java, Indonesia. The management of this urban forest is under the management of PT. Pertamina EP field Subang together with responsibility of Department of Forestry and Plantation, Subang representatives. Starting at 2012, biodiversity study in RUF had already conducted by Centre for Environmental Studies UIN Syarif Hidayatullah Jakarta which was found that the diversity index of vegetation in RUF was categorized in moderate to high level (Centre for Environmental Studies UIN Jakarta 2012).

The community structure of plant is differed between in urban landscape and rural landscape. The urban landscape is more isolated than rural landscape which has varied characteristics in their size, shape, and internal dynamic. Landscape changes are the main cause of degradation in plant diversity at RUF which was reported by others including encroachment and agricultural expansion (Gebrehiwot and Hundera 2014), fodder, fire-wood and timber value (Hussain et al. 2008).

With the increasing population density of 128,096 person/km² in Subang district (Anonymous 2014), it has been particularly impressed on vegetation abundance. Similar to other studies, we found that the growth of urban population in Subang was resulted in disturbance in RUF which was showed by the increased recreational pressures (Maharjan et al. 2006, Balvanera et al. 2005, Dolan et al. 2015).

Indonesian oil and gas's company, PT. Pertamina EP field Subang is a company engaged in the exploration on natural resources which certainly will have an impact to the quality of surrounding environment. The company is very aware of its responsibility for protecting environment through conservation program in the region of Subang as the implementation of sustainable development policies stated in the Indonesian Constitution No. 32 of 2009 about the Protection and Management of the Environment. Conservation effort had been conducted in the area of RUF since 2012 by PT. Pertamina EP field Subang through planting program of fruit, woody plants and medicinal plants.

We had 2 objectives in this study. The first objective was to identity diversity of plants in RUF and to analyze the change of community structure of plants. Our second objective was to investigate landuse change as anthropogenic aspect. This study compared the condition of RUF at 2012 and 2015 on plant diversity associated with landuse change and evaluated planting program conducted by PT. Pertamina EP

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field Subang at 2012. Database of plant diversity in RUF is an important tool in monitoring the changes occur in community structure of plants caused by anthropogenic activities and need to be updated continously.

MATERIALS AND METHODHS

Ranggawulung's urban forest is located in the district of Subang, West Java with an area of 84 hectares at an altitude of 700 asl. This is administratively included in Subang district, which has a strategic potential conservative area providing ecosystem services for communities in Subang area. Level of rainfall in Subang is high reached 1600-3000 mm/year which is catched into 3 watersheds (Ciasem, Cipunagara, and Cilamaya). Subang district has unique topography divided into 3 zones which are mountain (in southern), hilly and plains (centre), and lowland (Northern) (Anonymous 2014).

This research had been carried out in the urban forest of Ranggawulung from October-November 2015 using survey method. There were 42 plots provided to observe 4 strata which were shrub (understorey species), sapling (< 10 cm dbh), pole (10-20 cm dbh) and tree (> 20 cm dbh). At each sampling plots, It was established a 10 m radius circular plot (Dombois and Ellenberg 1974). Shrub strata was quantified in 1 x 1 m quadrats whereas sapling, pole and tree were estimated each 5 x 5 m, 10 x 10 m and 20 x 20 m quadrats. All species and their individual number were collected and identified directly in the field but for all plants that were not known were taken a picture and brought to laboratory to identify by Identification book (Sabara 2011, Djawarningsih 2011, Soerjani et al. 1987, Priyadi et al. 2010). Estimation of density, species diversity, species dominance and species evenness were measured using Shannon Wiener's diversity index (Shannon-Wiener, 1949). Important valuable index (IVI) was also calculated to assess general situation of community structure in forest following Maharjan et al. (2006). Differences in density, diversity and evenness for the vegetation strata were analyzed by One way ANOVA using SPPS version 20.

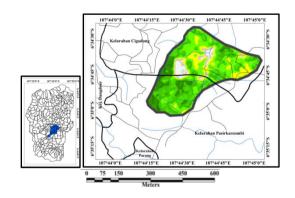


Figure 1.Map of Subang District showing RUF and Site of Study

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

A total of 1655 individuals belonging to 179 species from 101 families of shrubs and

tree species were identified in Ranggawulung's urban forest in 2015 (Table 1). Comparing to 2012, there was a decline of 153% total individual, although number of species and family increased in 2015. The landuse change was the main cause the disturbances occurred in RUF which increased up to 65% in 2015 whereas 47% in 2012 of RUF. The activities were identified as recreational activities, rock mining, rice field, plantation (crop and vegetables) and residential area. Tree logging had also been occurred in RUF during 2012 until 2015 which some species vanished and there were not found in 2015 including Pinus merkusii, Artocarpus chempeden, Parajubae sunkha, Bambusa multiplex, Homalanthus populneus, Hibiscus tiliaceus, Melaleuca cajupati, Cocos nucifera, Delonix regia, and Leucaena leucocephala (Table 2). Most of them were exploited by local people for their wood as the prices were high. While Swietenia macrophyla, Lagerstroemia speciosa, Tectona grandis were the most plants taken for wood but in 2015 they were replanted for economic purposes by local people although few number of sapling and pole were found (Table 2). The low income was the main reason of illegal logging in RUF. It can be understood that agriculture (27%) and mining (14%) are the major area conducted by most of the people in Subang (Anonymous 2014) which have higher potency in diversity disturbances for economic needs. This was also reported in agro-forestry, Jambi (Ningsih 2009), Soerjo Cangar's forest park, Malang (Maisyaroh 2010).

Parameter	2012	2015	2015		
	Shrub	Tree	Shrub	Tree	
Density (D)	0.103	72.22	18	0.186	
Frequency (F)	0.182	0.231	4.024	2.714	
Evenness Index (E)	0.87	0.84	0.73	0.95	
Diversity Index (H')	3.26	2.43	3.07	3.64	
Total Individual	3829	363	756	899	
Total Family	53	29	42	59	
Total Species	96	42	67	112	

Tabel 1: Community Structure of Plants at RUF in 2012 & 2015

	Table 2. Total Species	in Different Form of Canopy	/ Layer in 2015 & 2012
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local name	scientific name		2015			2012		
		family	sapling	pole	tree	sapling	pole	tree
Harendong	Melastoma affine	Melastomataceae	+	-	-	-	-	-
Pongporang	Oroxylum Indicum	Bignoniaceae	+	-	-	-	-	-
Laban	Vitex pubescens	Verbenaceae	+	+	+	-	-	-
Mahoni Uganda	Swietenia macrophyla	Meliaceae	+	-	-	-	-	+
Tisuk	Hibiscus macrophyllus	Malvaceae	+	+	+	-	-	-
Srikaya	Annona squamosa	Annonaceae	+	-	-	-	-	-
Jambu	Psidium sp.	Anacardiaceae	+	-	-	-	-	-
Jalitri	Elaeocarpus sphaericus	Elaeocarpaceae	+	-	-	-	-	-
Jeungjing	Paraserianthes falcataria	Fabaceae	+	+	+	-	-	+
Rengas Manuk	Gluta wallichii	Anacardiaceae	+	+	+	-	-	-

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Drowak Sobsi	Grewia acuminata Maesopsis eminii	Malvaceae	+	+	+	-	-	+
	1	Rhamnaceae Fabaceae	+	+	+	-	-	-
Jengkol Rambutan	Archidendron pauciflorum Nephelium lappaceum		+ +	+	+	-	-	+
Angsana	Pterocarpus indicus	Sapindaceae Fabaceae	+	+	++	-	-	+ +
Tanjung	Mimusops elengi	Sapotaceae	+	-	+	-	-	+
Lampeni	Ardisia humilis	Myrsinaceae	+	+	÷	-	-	-
Pete	Parkia speciosa	Fabaceae	+	-	-+	-	-	-
Jabon	Gmelina arborea	Lamiaceae	+	-	+	-	-	+
Jalatra	Gliricidia maculata	Fabaceae	+	+	+	-	-	
Teureup	Artocarpus elasticus	Moraceae	+	-	+	-	-	
Mangga	Mangifera indica	Anacardiaceae	+	-+	+	-	-	-+
Jambu Mawar	Syzygium jambos	Myrtaceae	+	т	т	-	-	Т
Nangka	Arthrocarpus integra	Moraceae	+	-+	-+	-	-	-+
Kecapi	Sandoricum koetjape	Meliaceae	+	+ +	+	-	-	Т
Karet	Havea brasiliensis	Euphorbiaceae	+	+ +	+	-	-	-+
Bungur	Lagerstroemia speciosa	Lythraceae	+	+ +	+	-	-	+
Mahoni	Swietenia mahagoni	Meliaceae	+	+ +	+	-	-	т
Peutag	Syzigium densiflorum	Myrtaceae	+	+	Ŧ	-	-	
Jambu Kopo	Syzygium littorale	Myrtaceae	+	-	-	-	-	-
1	Bridelia glauca	Phyllanthaceae	+	+	+	-	-	+
Kanyere	Alstonia scholaris		+	+	-	-	-	-
Lame		Apocynaceae Laxmanniaceae	+	+	+	-	-	+
<u> </u>	Cordyline dracaena			-	-	-	-	-
Acret	Spathodea campanulata	Bignoniaceae	+	-	-	-	-	-
Salam Akasia	Syzygium polyanthum	Myrtaceae Fabaceae	+	-	-	-	-	-
	Acacia mangium		+	-	+	-	-	+
Jamblang	Syzygium cuminii Mummu kominii	Myrtaceae	+	-	-	-	-	-
Daun Kari	Murraya koenigii Malia ang dangah	Rutaceae	+	-	-	-	-	-
Mindi Jati Dalan da	Melia azedarach	Meliaceae	+	+	-	-	-	-
Jati Belanda	Guazuma ulmifolia	Sterculiaceae	+		-	-	-	-
Bintinu	Melochia umbellata	Sterculiaceae	+	+	-	-	-	-
Singkong	Manihot esculenta	Euphorbiaceae	+	-	-	-	-	-
Waru Kalian dar	Hibiscus tiliaceus	Malvaceae	+	-	-	-	-	+
Kaliandra	Calliandra calothyrsus	Leguminosae	+	-	-	-	-	+
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Bambu Tali	Gigantochloa apus	Poaceae	+	-	-	-	-	-
Bambu Talang	Schizostachyum brachycladum		+	-	-	-	-	-
Jati	Tectona grandis	Lamiaceae	-	+	+	-	-	+
Bacang	Mangifera foetida	Anacardiaceae	-	+	-	-	-	-
0	Swietenia mahagoni	Meliaceae	-	-	+	-	-	-
Randu Kapuk	Ceiba pentandra	Malvaceae	-	-	+	-	-	-
Foris	Acacia auriculiformis	Fabaceae	-	-	+	-	-	-
Jambu Biji	Psidium guajava	Myrtaceae	-	-	+	-	-	+
Duren	Durio zibethinus	Malvaceae	-	-	+	-	-	
Jambu Mede	Anacardium occidentale	Anacardiaceae	-	-	+	-	-	+
Ki Bonteng	Platea latifolia	Stemonuraceae	-	-	+	-		
Kluwih	Artocarpus camansi	Moraceae	-		+	-	-	<u> </u>
Alpukat	Persea americana	Lauraceae	-	-	+	-	-	+
Asam	Tamarindus indica	Fabaceae	-	-	+	-		-
Kawung	Arenga pinnata	Arecaceae	-	-	+	-	-	-
Kondang	Ficus variegata	Moraceae	-	-	+	-		-
Melinjo	Gnetum gnemon	Gnetaceae	-	-	+	-	-	-

Peundeuy	Parkia javanica	Fabaceae	-	-	+	-	-	-
Sawit	Elaeis oleifera	Arecaceae	-	-	+	-	-	-
Tin	Ficus carica	Moraceae	-	-	+	-	-	-
Trembesi	Albizia saman	Fabaceae	-	-	+	-	-	-
Pinus	Pinus merkusii	Pinaceae	-	-	+	-	-	+
Nangka beurik	Artocarpus chempeden	Moraceae	-	-	-	-	-	+
Palem	Parajubae sunkha	Arecaceae	-	-	-	-	-	+
Bambu	Bambusa multiplex	poaceae	-	-	-	-	-	+
Kareumbi	Homalanthus populneus	Euphorbiaceae	-	-	-	-	-	+
Waru	Hibiscus tiliaceus	Malvaceae	-	-	-	-	-	+
Kayu putih	Melaleuca cajupati	Myrtaceae	-	-	-	-	-	+
Kelapa	Cocos nucifera	Arecaceae	-	-	-	-	-	+
Flamboyan	Delonix regia	Caesalpiniaceae	-	-	-	-	-	+
Lamtoro	Leucaena leucocephala	Fabaceae	-	-	-	-	-	+

+: exist, -: no

The disturbances in RUF were also showed by the declined density in 2015 while shrub was found more (Table 1). Land clearing for agriculture is one of assumption. Poaceae is a family of shrub dominantly grows in the cleared land which in this study *Cynodon dactylon* was found dominantly with highest IVI of 31.86 (Table 3).

Although disturbances in RUF resulted in loss of some species of trees, diversity index of tree increased in 2015 and was categorized in high density (H'= 3.64). It means that conservation conducted by PT. Pertamina EP field Subang was successful which was started from 2012. In 2015, the conservation program including tree planting has been giving good result in rehabilitation of diversity destruction in RUF. Moreover, the efforts could also be reported with many saplings were planted reached 62% and 33% of the pole (Table 2). Meanwhile, the lower density of tree in 2015 the higher attention was needed through restoration program in all open area which were mostly used for agricultural area.

The most species of shrub rich families were presented by Asteraceae, Melostomataceae, Poaceae and Fabaceae in 2012 while only Poaceae was a dominated family in 2015 (Figure 2). *Cynodon dactylon* and *Eupatorium odoratum* were showed the highest IVI up to 10% (Table 3) belonging to family of Poaceae and Asteracea. High tolerant is the main character of both families which are usually known as a pioneer plant. Both species can survive and easily grow in very low rainfall or high temperatures.

The most tree species dominated was belonging to Pinaceae and Fabacea in 2012 and also in 2015. *Pinus merkusii, Maesopsis eminii, Gmelina arborea, Mangifera indica, Swietenia mahagoni, Arthrocarpus integra, Paraserianthes falcataria,* and *Lagerstroemia speciosa* were indicated the highest IVI more than 10% (Table 4). Neverthelles, number of some fruit trees found in 2012 declined which were *Lagerstroemia speciosa, Artocarpus chempeden, Nephelium lanacum, and Mangifera indica.* as climate change factor. Illegal logging was other cause of declined woody trees such as *Swietenia macrophylla, Tectona grandis and Bambusa multiplex.* Lack of seed preparation and planting knowledge also occurred in planting of *Pinus merkusii.* These trees were planted by PT. Pertamina EP field Subang in 2012 through the wrong way which were already 1.5-2 m tall and in dry season, then they all were

died. Getting good result in planting *Pinus merkusii* depends on seed condition (age 3-4 months in plot weaning, 25-30 cm tall) and the season's planting which is good in rainy season providing enough water for plants growth (Cooling, 1968). The water will be evaporated up to 64.5% of total rainfall (Pudjiharta 1995), so *Pinus merkusii* needs more water to grow well and could prevent landslide as they strengthen root system through evapotranspiration system (Indrajaya and Handayani 2008).

The restoration program conducted by PT. Pertamina EP field Subang gave good impact to enhancement of diversity in RUF. The awareness of people to existence of RUF as source of germplasm in Subang district increased which some fruit, woody and medicinal plants were still preserved, such as *Mangifera indica*, *Artocarpus chempeden*, *Nephelium lanacum*, *Paraserianthes falcataria*, and *Gmelina arborea*.

In terms of RUF management in the future, sustainable conservation can only be reached if all stakeholders, not only regional government but also all communities living surrounding this area, give high contribution consistently. Socialization and education are the most important as initial steps for conservation acts besides replanting program which could be conducted by PT. Pertamina EP field Subang as a stakeholder of RUF together with all communities in Subang district.

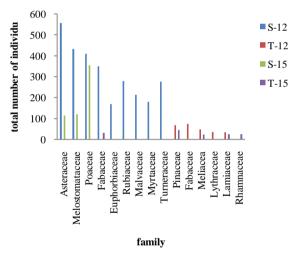


Figure 2. The most dominant Families in RUF 2012 and 2015

Local Name	Scientific Name	Σ Individual	D	RD	INP	С	H'	E
Rumput Kakawatan	Cynodon dactylon	214	5.09524	28.31	31.86	0.025371989	3.072	0.73
Kirinyuh	Eupatorium odoratum	72	1.71429	9.52	17.81	0.007927973		
Jukut Pahit	Paspalum conjugatum	52	1.2381	6.88	9.84	0.002419109		
Kakacangan	Mucuna bracteata	21	0.5	2.78	8.69	0.001890048		
Harendong	Melastoma malabathricum	14	0.33333	1.85	7.18	0.001287839		
Capi Tuheur	Mikania cordata	17	0.40476	2.25	6.98	0.00121885		
Rumput Bebontengan	Leptochloa chinensis	40	0.95238	5.29	6.47	0.001047958		
Bunga Pukul 8	Turnera ulmifolia	16	0.38095	2.12	6.26	0.000979194		
ilalang	Imperata cylindrica	23	0.54762	3.04	6.00	0.000900272		
Babadotan	Ageratum conyzoides	28	0.66667	3.70	5.48	0.000750445		
Mahoni	Swietenia mahagoni	14	0.33333	1.85	5.40	0.00072958		

Table 3. Community Structure of Shrubs in RUF in 2015

Nanangkaan	Euphorbia hirta	36	0.85714 4.76	5.35	0.000716531
Jengkol	Archidendron pauciflorum	13	0.30952 1.72	4.68	0.000547129
Putri Malu	Mimosa pudica	12	0.28571 1.59	3.95	0.000390886
Pung Pulutan	Urena lobata	11	0.2619 1.46	3.82	0.000365171
Rumput Jajagon Leutik	Echinochloa crus-galli	15	0.35714 1.98	3.17	0.000250836
Jukut Bulu Mata Kibo	Cyperus polystachyos	13	0.30952 1.72	2.90	0.000210686
Jeungjing	Paraserianthes falcataria	6	0.14286 0.79	2.57	0.000164968
Karet	Havea brasiliensis	10	0.2381 1.32	2.51	0.000157024
Sawit	Elaeis oleifera	5	0.11905 0.66	2.44	0.000148416
Singkong	Manihot esculenta	4	0.09524 0.53	2.30	0.000132739
Nanas	Ananas cuamosa	4	0.09524 0.53	2.30	0.000132739
Kawung	Arenga pinnata	4	0.09524 0.53	2.30	0.000132739
Rumput Gajah	Pennisctum purpureum	7	0.16667 0.93	2.11	0.000111235
Areuy ki koneng	Arcangelisia flava	7	0.16667 0.93	2.11	0.000111235
Kiasahan	Tetracera scandens	5	0.11905 0.66	1.84	8.50829E-05
Ki Huut	Tetenna laxiflora	5	0.11905 0.66	1.84	8.50829E-05
sp. 1		4	0.09524 0.53	1.71	7.33192E-05
Nangka	Artocarpus heterophyllus	4	0.09524 0.53	1.71	7.33192E-05
Ludwigia	Ludwigia perennis	4	0.09524 0.53	1.71	7.33192E-05
Gadung	Dioscorea hispida Dennst.	4	0.09524 0.53	1.71	7.33192E-05
Ludwigia	Ludwigia longifolia	8	0.19048 1.06	1.65	6.80557E-05
Ki Peuret / Sambiloto	Andrographis paniculata	3	0.07143 0.40	1.58	6.24303E-05
Hampelas	Ficus ampelas	3	0.07143 0.40	1.58	6.24303E-05
Sereh Wangi	Cymbopogon nardus	2	0.04762 0.26	1.45	5.24163E-05
Rambutan	Nephelium lappaceum	2	0.04762 0.26	1.45	5.24163E-05
Pisang	Musa paradisiaca	2	0.04762 0.26	1.45	5.24163E-05
Buset	Mimosa pigra	2	0.04762 0.26	1.45	5.24163E-05
Bunga Jarong	Stachytarpheta jamaicensis	2	0.04762 0.26	1.45	5.24163E-05
Soka	Ixora grandifolia	6	0.14286 0.79	1.39	4.7981E-05
Temu Kunci	Boesenbergia pandurata	1	0.02381 0.13	1.32	4.32771E-05
Rumput Cyperus	Cyperus iria	4	0.09524 0.53	1.12	3.14057E-05
Pacing	Costus speciosus	4	0.09524 0.53	1.12	3.14057E-05
Pandan	Pandanus furcatus	3	0.07143 0.40	0.99	2.44304E-05
Laban	Vitex pubescens	3	0.07143 0.40	0.99	2.44304E-05
Urang-Aring	Eclipta prostrata	2	0.04762 0.26	0.86	1.83298E-05
Suji	Dracaena angustifolia	2	0.04762 0.26	0.86	1.83298E-05
Sobsi	Maesopsis eminii	2	0.04762 0.26	0.86	1.83298E-05
Jabon	Gmelina arborea	2	0.04762 0.26	0.86	1.83298E-05
Drowak	Grewia acuminata	2	0.04762 0.26	0.86	1.83298E-05
Alang-alang	Imperata brevifolia	2	0.04762 0.26	0.86	1.83298E-05
Tanjung	Mimusops elengi	1	0.02381 0.13	0.72	1.31041E-05
Rumput Mutiara	Hedyotis corymbosa	1	0.02381 0.13	0.72	1.31041E-05
Paku Ata	Lygodium microphyllum	1	0.02381 0.13	0.72	1.31041E-05
Paku	Lygodium flexuosum	1	0.02381 0.13		1.31041E-05
Melastoma	Melastoma sp.	1	0.02381 0.13	0.72	1.31041E-05
Ki Bonteng	Canarium hirsutum	1	0.02381 0.13	0.72	1.31041E-05
Kecapi	Sandoricum koetjape	1	0.02381 0.13	0.72	1.31041E-05
Katuk	Sauropus androgynus	1	0.02381 0.13	0.72	1.31041E-05
Kanyere	Bridelia glauca Blume	1	0.02381 0.13	0.72	1.31041E-05
Jambu Mede	Anacardium occidentale	1	0.02381 0.13	0.72	1.31041E-05
Jalitri	Elaeocarpus sphaericus	1	0.02381 0.13	0.72	1.31041E-05
Daun Kari	Murraya koenigii	1	0.02381 0.13	0.72	1.31041E-05
Cabai	Capsicum annum	1	0.02381 0.13	0.72	1.31041E-05
Bungur	Lagerstroemia speciosa	1	0.02381 0.13		1.31041E-05
Alpukat	Parsea americana	1	0.02381 0.13		1.31041E-05
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D: density, RD: relative density, IVI: important value index, C: dominancy index, H': Shannon Wiener Diversity Index, E: evenness index

Lokal	Ilmiah	Σ Individual	D	RD	INP	С	H'	E
Pinus	Pinus merkusii	45	0.00268	19.74	28.60	0.00909	3.03	0.81
Sobsi	Maesopsis eminii	24	0.00143	10.53	19.92	0.00441		
Jabon	Gmelina arborea	19	0.00113			0.00365		
Mangga	Mangifera indica	13	0.00077	5.70	14.61	0.00237		
Mahoni	Swietenia mahagoni	16	0.00095	7.02		0.00237		
Nangka	Arthrocarpus integra	14	0.00083	6.14	14.19	0.00224		
Jeungjing	Paraserianthes falcataria	11	0.00065	4.83	13.98	0.00217		
Bungur	Lagerstroemia speciosa	13	0.00077	5.70	12.00	0.0016		
Jengkol	Archidendron pauciflorum	6	0.00036	2.63	9.32	0.00096		
Jati	Tectona grandis	5	0.0003	2.19	8.62	0.00082		
Randu Kapuk	Ceiba pentandra	6	0.00036	2.63	7.67	0.00065		
Peundeuy	Parkia javanica	1	6E-05	0.44	7.38	0.00061		
Karet	Havea brasiliensis	3	0.00018	1.32	7.00	0.00054		
Sawit	Elaeis oleifera	1	6E-05	0.44	6.87	0.00052		
Foris	Acacia auriculiformis	3	0.00018	1.32	6.51	0.00047		
Lame	Alstonia scholaris	3	0.00018	1.32	6.08	0.00041		
Drowak	Grewia acuminata	3	0.00018	1.32	5.67	0.00036		
Asam	Tamarindus indica	1	6E-05	0.44	5.59	0.00035		
Kecapi	Sandoricum koetjape	4	0.00024	1.75	5.34	0.00032		
Angsana	Pterocarpus indicus	3	0.00018	1.32	5.24	0.00031		
Kawung	Arenga pinnata	1	6E-05	0.44	5.13	0.00029		
Akasia	Acacia mangium	1	6E-05	0.44	5.13	0.00029		
Kluwih	Artocarpus camansi	2	0.00012	0.88	4.95	0.00027		
Mahoni Uganda	Swietenia macrophyla	3	0.00018	1.32	4.93	0.00027		
Duren	Durio zibethinus	2	0.00012	0.88	4.45	0.00022		
Rengas Manuk	Gluta wallichii	2	0.00012	0.88	4.44	0.00022		
Pete	Parkia speciosa	2	0.00012	0.88	4.29	0.0002		
Jambu Mede	Anacardium occidentale	2	0.00012	0.88	4.23	0.0002		
Tanjung	Mimusops elengi	2	0.00012	0.88	3.73	0.00015		
Alpukat	Persea americana	1	6E-05	0.44	3.70	0.00015		
Melinjo	Gnetum gnemon	1	6E-05	0.44	3.52	0.00014		
Jambu Biji	Psidium guajava	2	0.00012	0.88	3.52	0.00014		
Jambu Kopo	Syzygium littorale	2	0.00012	0.88	3.48	0.00013		
Jalatra	Gliricidia maculata	2	0.00012	0.88	3.46	0.00013		
Laban	Vitex pubescens	1	6E-05	0.44	3.41	0.00013		
Rambutan	Nephelium lappaceum	1	6E-05	0.44	3.39	0.00013		
Tisuk	Hibiscus macrophyllus	1	6E-05	0.44	3.11	0.00011		
Tin	Ficus carica	1	6E-05	0.44	2.86	9.1E-05		
Teureup	Artocarpus elasticus	1	6E-05	0.44	2.77	8.5E-05		
Ki Bonteng	Platea latifolia	2	0.00012	0.88	2.77	8.5E-05		
Kondang	Ficus variegata	1	6E-05	0.44	2.75	8.4E-05		
Trembesi	Albizia saman	1	6E-05	0.44	2.71	8.1E-05		

Table 4. Community Structure of Major Tree Species in RUF 2015

For conservation acts, vegetation index can be used to monitor the vegetation cover condition in one area of conservation. Using the vegetation index described below (Figure 3), it was confirmed that there was declined pattern since 2012 to 2015 in

D: density, RD: relative density, IVI: important value index, C: dominancy index, H': Shannon Wiener Diversity Index, E: evenness index

RUF. This index was covers the measurements of greenness of vegetation canopy, the composite of chlorophyll, leaves area, structure and canopy cover (Huete 2011). The color of the vegetation index shows the level of vegetation covering the land. The area had a value of vegetation greenness below 0.2 was not counted as it could be water basin, shrub, rice field or stony area. For the area had a value above 0.4 counted as it was covered by vegetation in different level of dense.

In 2015, the land area with high vegetation declined to 15.54 Ha whereas in 2012 reached 26.64 Ha (Figure 4). The open areas which were not found any vegetation increased in 2015 reached 19.8 Ha while in 2012 only 16.56 Ha. The landuse for agriculture, residential and recreational purposes was the causes of increased uncover basal area by vegetation in RUF. Other cause was could be died for old trees or used for economic needs. The reduction of vegetation cover at RUF in 2015 was also supported by lower individual number of shrub and tree, despite diversity index showed higher value than in 2012 (Tabel 1).

Important steps that need to be conducted in order to conserve biodiversity are: (a) at the policy level, it needs to be developed for mainstreaming strategy document in the form of the Regional Conservation Strategy as part of the mandate IBSAP (Indonesian Biodiversity Strategic and Action Plan) 2015 to 2020, (b) consistent execution of local government regulation in raising awareness of the public and monitoring the status of biodiversity, (c) providing database of biodiversity, both spatial and temporal data, (d) commitment to law enforcement, and (e) the involvement of all stakeholders in biodiversity conservation program.

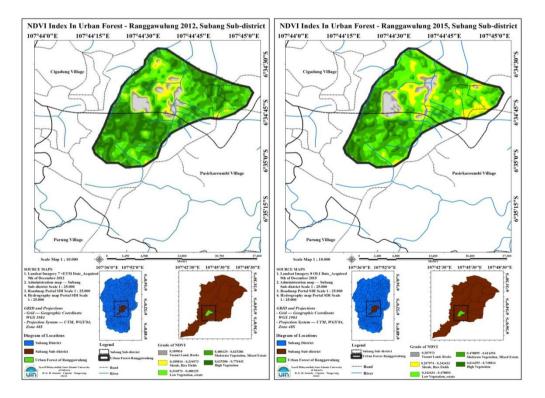


Figure 3. Vegetation Cover at RUF in 2012 and 2015

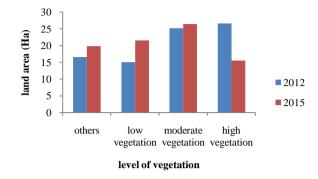


Figure 4. Land area of Vegetation in RUF

CONCLUSION

The benefits of Ranggawulung's urban forest (RUF) existence in terms of ecological, economic, social and aesthetic were provided for surrounding's people. Management of RUF by local government in collaboration with PT. Petamina EP Field Subang was successful through planting of crops with high economic value such as Paraserianthes falcataria, Gmelina arborea, Swietenia mahagoni, Gmelina arborea, Lagerstroemia speciosa, and Tectona grandis. This was proved by enhancement of diversity index of Shannon-Wiener in 2015 compared to in 2012. The higher diversity in 2015 (H'=3.64 for tree and H'=3.07 for shrub) was not followed by increasing number of individual which the number of plants lost as much as 153% since 2012. The landuse change was the main cause increased up to 65% in 2015 whereas 47% in 2012 including recreational activities, rice field, residential area and crop plantation. As one of stakeholders, PT. Pertamina showed clear evidence of the seriousness to do conservation program that have positive impacts on the quality of the environment. However, this conservation program faced a lot of obstacles and interference from outside parties or persons who damage the vegetation of RUF. In addition, land conversion looks increasingly rampant beside natural factor such as El-nino phenomenon which interfered with the growth of vegetation. Thus, there is a serious problem faced by the existence of RUF needs high attention to conserve biodiversity sustainably by all stakeholders. It was not borne solely by regional government but also all the communities nearby. For recommendation, Socialization and education are the most important as initial steps for conservation acts besides replanting program which had been conducted by PT. Pertamina EP field Subang and should be seriously supported.

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