

PROGRESS ACTIVITIES

JAN-FEB 2024



Suku Mentawai
Cultural Education Foundation



FOREWORD

This YPBM Activity Report is a form of written accountability for the activities and programs that have been carried out by our YPBM team. Compiling this activity report, it is hoped that it can become material or reference for the YPBM team to further increase its active role in achieving the vision and carrying out the mission that has been set. We would like to thank the various parties who took part in the progress of the YPBM activity program during in January and February. Especially to the Australian partner, the Indigenous Education Foundation (IEF) who is always support all YPBM activities so that the program can runs smoothly.



Target I : Increase Student Participation in Our Mentawai Indigenous Learning Hubs

During in January and February student participation decreases. Customary School that conduct learning in January are the Pasigeugeu Customary school, Bubukat Simalainge, Baklu, Manai Simaeruk, Bukbuk Simaeruk, Matotonan, and Katuitcak. Meanwhile, customary school that does not conduct learning in January is the Totoirak Customary School.

Customary schools that carry out learning in February are: Pasigeugeu, Manai Simaeruk, Bukbuk Simaeruk, Baklu, Bubukat Simalainge. Customary schools that did not conduct learning in February were: Matotonan, Totoirak, and Katuitcak. Customary schools do not carry out learning in January and February due to several things such as internal problems in customary schools, program teachers being busy with their respective activities, absent assistants who do not carry out their duties, students who are not there during the learning schedule.

The number of students attending lessons at each customary school has also decreased due to reduced student interest, students are prohibited by their parents, learning carried out by customary school teachers is monotonous and learning activities carried out in January and February are mostly indoors. For this reason, quick action is needed from the Cultural Education Division and YPBM to hold direct discussions with traditional school administrators and teachers, carry out monitoring in each traditional school, develop strategies to increase the number of traditional schools, conduct training for customary school teachers.



Funds spend this month to further our target:

AUD \$ 0

Target II : Increase the Number of Indigenous Learning Hubs Throughout Wider Siberut and The Mentawai Islands

January and February 2024, there will be no increase in the number of customary schools. The number of customary schools is still eight (8) are active such as Buk-Buk Simaeruk (Muntei Village), Bubuakat Simalainge (Maileppet Village), Pasigeugeu Traditional School (Puro Hamlet), Manai Simaeruk (Madobag Village), Baklu (Madobag Village), Totoirak (Madobag Village), Katuitcak traditional school (Saliguma Village, Gotab) and Matotonan Traditional school (Matotonan Village). However, in January-February there were several customary schools that did not carry out learning, such as the Matotonan customary school, Katuitcak and Totoirak. Currently, YPBM is still focused on developing existing customary schools to strengthen and develop the learning system in existing customary schools.



Funds spend this month to further our target:

AUD \$ 0

Target III : Mentawai Student Understand Cultural Knowledge and Its Value for The Future

January and February the topic-based curriculum created in 2023 has been applied to students in these two months. It is hoped that these new topics can increase students' knowledge and prevent them from getting bored with the previous topics. Teachers are also expected to be able to teach with various variations so that students do not get bored when learning. In the future, it is also hoped that there will be training for customary school teachers so that they have knowledge of good and correct teaching techniques.



Funds spend this month to further our target:

AUD \$ 600

Target IV : Increase Economy Capacity for Student and the Wider Mentawai Community

January and February, the Public Relations Division made visits to the homes of people who make handicrafts. The community hopes that YPBM can provide regular assistance and can continue to promote community products that are ready to sell, so that the community can improve the economy with its own results. To improve the students' economy, in these two months students do not carry out activities that improve their economy, because they are busy with other activities so they do not have time to produce work that is ready to sell. In the future, it is hoped that traditional school assistants and teachers will be able to further develop students' abilities in improving the students' economy.



Funds spend this month to further our target:

AUD \$ 0

Target V : Streghtening Indigenous Learning Hubs Materials for Future Generations

January and February the research team conducted interviews with the public regarding material from new topics such as traditional games, Mentawai folk songs, puzzles from Mentawai and other topics. The team also input material obtained from the interviews. Currently, the development of the material created has reached the stage of inputting interview data and there are still three topics but not yet optimal. It is hoped that the small proposals made can be approved by IEF and YPBM so that the results obtained can be maximized and there will be more sources.



Funds spend this month to further our target:

AUD \$ 0

Target VI : Increase the Organization’s Capacity to Improve the Administration, Operations, and Financial Security of our Foundation Mentawai

To increase organizational capacity to improve administration, operations and financial security, YPBM chairman attended the 2024 sub-district level Musrenbang government meeting which discussed procedures for planning, controlling and evaluating regional development. By frequently attending government invitations, it is hoped that YPBM can receive financial assistance or other assistance for development of the YPBM program. The Chair of YPBM also attended an invitation from the FH Indonesia Foundation regarding updates on activities carried out by FH Indonesia in the Siberut area. It is hoped that in the future FH Indonesia and YPBM can work together in progressing their respective programs according to the vision and mission of their respective Foundations. The team also always tries to look for partners from outside, and tries to get donations from various parties who are willing to donate by submitting several program proposals for the future.



Funds spend this month to further our target:

AUD \$ 2.939,4

Target VII: Conduct and Strengthen Strategic and Monitoring and Evaluation Program

To strengthen the YPBM program strategy, during in January and February the Media and ICT division published activities on the @sukumentawai Foundation's Instagram social media account. The publications carried out are selected documentation from various customary schools regarding activities and learning processes regarding Mentawai cultural and ecological education, creating special content for Instagram and Facebook stories to increase engagement with the audience and also replying to stories made by followers of the Foundation account.

The activities carried out are related to Foundation activities and related to Mentawai culture in general. As representatives of the IEF Board, the Media and ICT division took part in an online meeting with the IEF board on February 6 2024. What was discussed was related to the evaluation and inaugural meeting in 2024, the organization's long-term plans and plans to appoint a new IEF chairman. Has created special monthly reports for the Media and ICT division as well as documenting activities, then also designed general monthly reports in both Indonesian and English versions. After that, publish the report on the Mentawai Tribe website in both Indonesian and English versions.

The Visual Communication Division has also carried out documentation activities and activities that have been previously carried out by the Mentawai Cultural Education Foundation team are made in visual communication media for conveying or information or messages to other parties using depiction media that can only be read by the sense of sight, communication Visuals combine art, symbols, typography, graphic design images, illustrations and colors in delivery. Documentation of activities in the previous months was also made in visual form for Instagram, Facebook posting material as well as printed banners and banners for information media which will be installed in front of the YPBM office and banners which will be installed at the "Mentawai Culture Program Development" activity.



Funds spend this month to further our target:

AUD \$ 370

Total funds spend this month to further our target:

AUD \$ 3.909,4



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