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Orangutan Nests Found in Sedahan!

A REPORT FROM ASRI CONSERVATION MANAGER, ERICA POHNNAN

In the last few weeks, a volunteer found FOUR orangutan nests in our reforestation site. This is what success looks like when working at the intersection of habitat conservation and healthcare. Help us keep our promise to these reforestation workers that they never have to go back to logging. Consider a gift to the HIH Capital Campaign today! - HIH Staff



I always say that ASRI's two reforestation sites are like two children: Laman Satong, our older reforestation site [that had the fire last year](#), is like the difficult child that needs constant love and attention in order to thrive. In contrast, Sedahan, our younger reforestation site, is the precocious child that constantly delivers amazing surprises, unasked.

Every time I go there, I am amazed at how tall the trees have grown in less than two years. ...

Also, not only is the site growing well, but it is legitimately changing the worldviews of the community members who work there. Many are former illegal loggers that have been tasked with returning this small piece of the world back into forest. Our site coordinator Yayat says that the workers have told him they can't bear to think of cutting down a tree ever again after their work on the reforestation site. And believe me, they are extremely proud of what they have accomplished. They really want Sedahan to become an environmental education site so that others can see what the site has become...

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The Health In Harmony Capital Campaign will make possible a hospital that for the first time can provide for every healthcare need of this community at a level of quality and cost that allows communities to stop logging to pay medical bills. This hospital will protect the rainforest and its orangutans.

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Hospital and Capital Campaign Update



From Adam, who found the nests!

Sedahan Jaya represents an ideal site for restoration due to its mosaic of remaining tree stands that provide the necessary microclimate for new seedlings, its crucial location in an important corridor for wildlife, and its proximity to local communities that depend on ecosystem services that forests provide. However, after just a few days working at Sedahan Jaya, it is difficult to measure what has more impact, the rapid regrowth of the forest or the vivacious team of individuals who are currently managing the site...

► [READ MORE ABOUT ADAM'S EXPERIENCE FINDING THE NESTS.](#)

August was the first month of the *Health In Harmony Capital Campaign for the ASRI Community Hospital and Training Center (CHTC)*, and we raised **\$15,000 in cash and \$70,000 in pledges** toward the hospital! We hosted launch parties in New Haven and Washington DC and are rolling on the wave of the enthusiasm. September will be full of four West Coast launch parties in the San Francisco Bay Area.

In design news, CAD renderings of the building are complete and circulating among the engineering teams. Soon, we will share profiles of our amazing design team!

Until September 30, **every gift you make to the campaign will be doubled** by longtime HIH friend, Tim Waters!

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