TRAILS

# The Agroecological Transition in Malaysia

## Introducing TRAILS project in Kinabatangan district, Sabah

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## “climaTe Resilient lAndscapes for wIldLife conServation”

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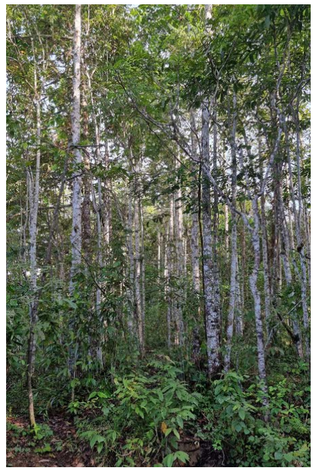


**TRAILS AIMS AT ASSESSING THE POTENTIAL OF OIL PALM BASED AGROFORESTRY TO ADDRESS BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION, CLIMATE RESILIENCY AND PRODUCTIVITY.**

# Questioning the future of large monocultural plantations

- Biodiversity loss,
- Land and water degradation,
- GHG emissions,
- exposure to risks
  - economic,
  - climatic
  - pathologic…

# Agroforestry is a component of agroecology

- Planting trees among agricultural crops brings about significant changes in plant cover, soil structure, surface water and groundwater regimes, carbon uptake and storage and the return of organic matter through litter accumulation.
- Trees interplanting shows a positive impact on biodiversity and on the development of beneficial insects and pollinators, and therefore on crop productivity.
- It contributes to landscape climate resilience and microclimate regulation.
- It supports farm income diversification

# TRAILS CARRIES OUT FIELD RESEARCH IN AGROFORESTRY IN A REAL OIL PALM PLANTATION CONTEXT

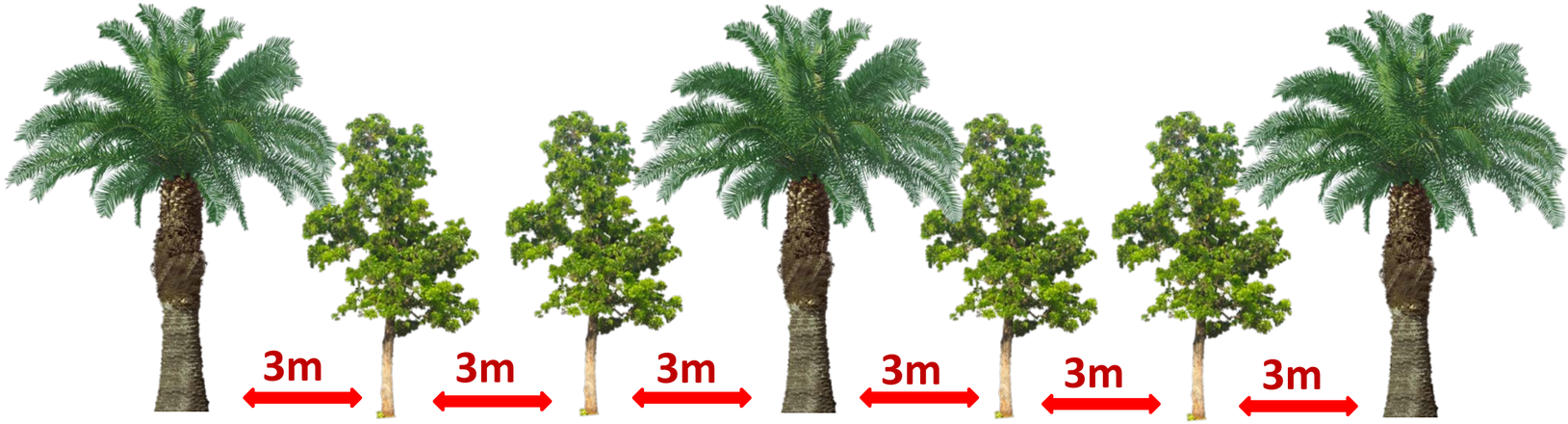
- Plantation based in Sabah (Lower Kinanbatangan)
- MOPP Plantation manages 8,000ha of oil palm plantation and mills
- TRAILS is installing AFS mixing native forest trees woth oil palm

# A HOLISTIC PROJECT:
# DEVELOPED WITH LOCAL COMMUNITIES INVOLVED IN REFORESTATION AND WILDLIFE MONITORING

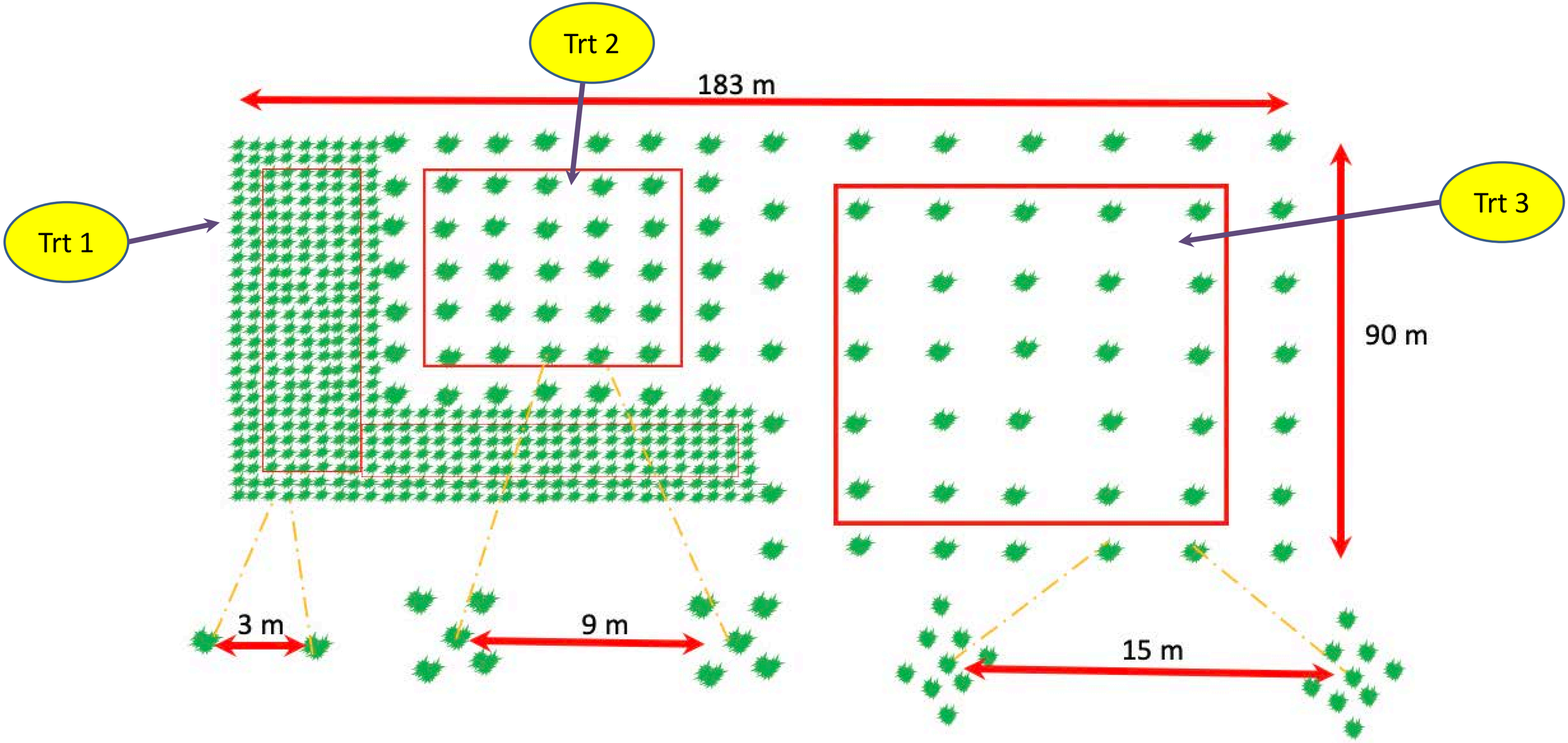
# MIXED PLANTATION (TREES & PALMS)

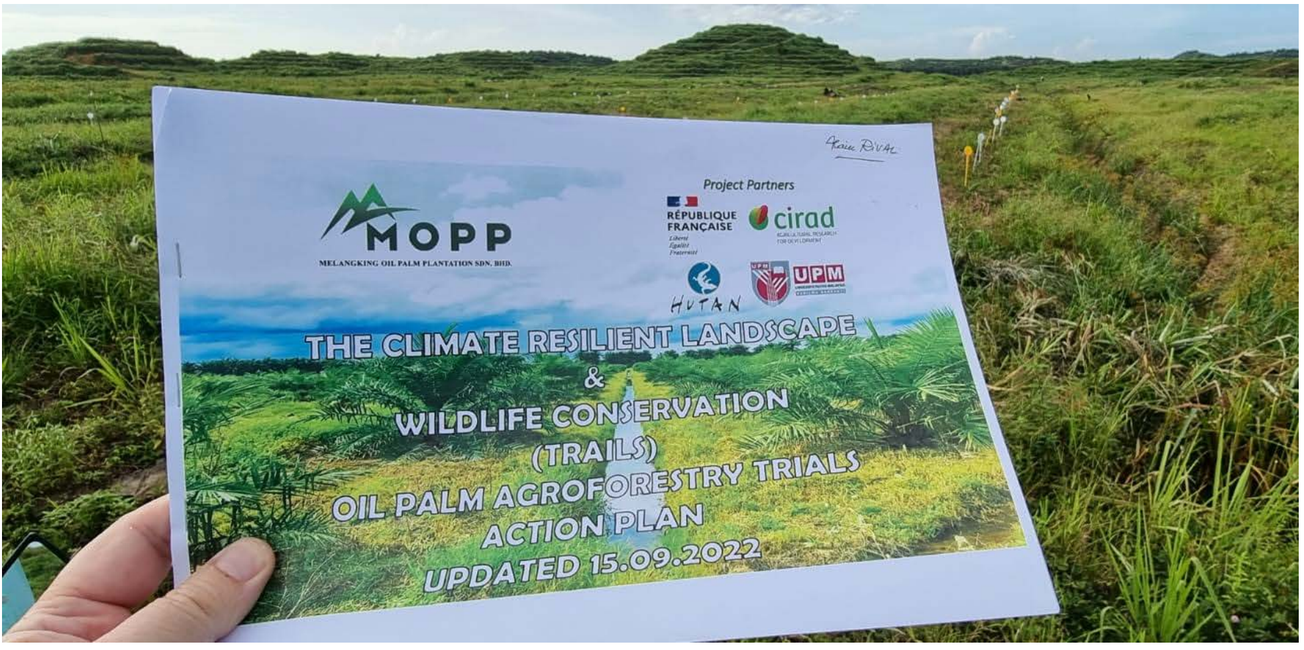
## TREATMENT 4

**2 Forest Trees Planted**
**Between 2 Palms On The Line (128 Trees)**
**Trees & Palms Spacing Is 3m**



# ASSESSMENT OF FOREST NATIVE SPECIES

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(TRAILS)
OIL PALM AGROFORESTRY TRIALS
ACTION PLAN
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# Data collection, monitoring and field survey

# PROVIDING TRAINING

# AND CAPACITY BUILDING

# TO ALL STAKEHOLDERS

# A TRANSFORMATIVE AGRICULTURAL MODEL NEEDS A TRANSFORMATIVE RESEARCH MODEL

- INTEGRATING…
  - LOCAL KNOWLEDGE
    - (COMMUNITIES INVOLVED IN NATIVE TREES SELECTION AND NURSERIES MANAGEMENT)
    - PLANTATION MANAGERS KNOWLEDGE
    - SUSTAIBAVILITY MANAGERS
  - LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL AND ACADEMICS

…TO INNOVATE