Indonesian country paper for the 42nd Exporter Meeting, on 24th November 2011 (presented by AELI)

Indonesia's amount of crop harvested this year has dropped a lot from the previous years. This is caused by the extreme weather that makes the farmers to have difficulty in tending their crops. And not only pepper, but other commodities like coffee, nutmeg also experienced a drop in amount of crop harvested. Pepper plantations were especially difficult to maintain because in a tree there are different kinds of berries maturity. When the extreme weather come, the berries cannot survive and it caused a chain effect to the next batch of crop. Further more, the extreme weather caused the pepper plantations to be infected with diseases.

With all these issues with pepper trees, it has resulted to a drop in amount of crop harvested. Farmers hence feel that the energy and effort that they have put in are not equal to the amount of financial benefits they get from pepper. Lured by the amount of financial benefits that other commodities offered, the famers cut down the pepper trees and switch to plant more lucrative commodities such as rubber, cocoa, cassava

Lastly, I would like to thank Mr. Kannan, Executive Director of IPC, for his hard work during the last 2 years in improving IPC as an association. His actions such as updating and compiling the pepper import- export data, creating collaboration between the farmers and the department of agriculture from producing countries provides a lot of help and also the inter-lab cooperation between all production countries will beneficial in the future. I wish you all the best in your future endeavors, and hope that IPC will continue to improve under your guidance.

This concludes my report from Indonesia. Thank you very much.

INDONESIAN PEPPER (BLACK AND WHITE) Assessment on production and carry over stock

ACK DEDDE		2010	2011	2012
ACK PEPPER Stocks brt forward from previous year		24,680	15,580	3,780
Production Lampung, South Sumatera & Bengkulu		32,500	15,000	20,000
PLO-strongers.	Other provinces	7,500	3,000	5,000
	Total Production	40,000	18,000	25,000
Import of pepper		1,000	1,000	1,000
Domestic Consumption		6,600	6,800	7,000
Export	From Lampung (Panjang)	41,500	22,000	17,000
	From othre ports	2,000	2,000	2,500
	Total export of black	43,500	24,000	19,500
Stocks for export till next crop		15,580	3,780	3,280
ITE PEPPER				
Stocks brt forward from previous year		6,110	4,610	3,510
Production Bangka Belitung		11,000	9,000	10,000
	Other provinces	8,000	6,000	6,000
	Total Production	19,000	15,000	16,000
Import of white pepper		2,500	2,500	2,500
Domestic Consumption		9,500	9,600	9,800
Export	From Bangka	7,000	4,000	5,000
	From othre ports	6,500	5,000	4,000
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Stocks for export till next crop		4,610	3,510	3,210
A Stocks brt forward from previous year		30,790	20,190	7,290
Production		59,000	33,000	41,000
Import	Import		3,500	3,500
	Domestic Consumption		16,400	16,800 31
Export		16,100 57,000	33,000	28,500
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