

Title: GREENING INDONESIA

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Abstract and Foto



For hundreds years, most of farmers in Indonesia have their own system of farming and they were so closed to the nature. Even farmers co-exist with nature by mutual need. The natural farming principal is done by a very stick ritual religious in every moment of their life. Farming is a part of faith. Unfortunately, this natural farming principal dramatically decreasead and even disappeared with the appereance of the green revolution policy which supported by the regime of Government.

Food self-sufficiency program which is the first government policy on the agriculture have destroyed or turned off the local value, local knowledge and local technology with a coercion system of using the chemical fertilizer, pesticide and high yield vareity in the agriculture. Agriculture was forced to be a uniform at once and without thinking depply the interrelatedness dependency. The rejection to the food self sufficiency program in the national level will be branded as rebels and communist stooge.

After the Suharto Regime, organic farming is developing faster. Almost all Non Government Organisation which engaged of farmer's empowerment had organic agriculture programs. Tasked to convince farmers back to dig their own local value and technology of farming which natural friendly is quite difficult because more than 32 years the Suharto Regime had overwhelmed by modern agriculture with so depending on chemical fertilizer and pesticide.

In line with the increasing of the people education and public awareness, the organic agriculture movement has gained the great attention. Likewise, in a more democratic situation, government start to give attention more to the organic agriculture. Various supported emerging as well as the policy is issued. It is very encouraging growth in the agricultural movement in Indonesia. The organic land rising rapidly, the number of the producers both a small organic farmers and entrepreneurs are increased. Similary, plants that have become an organic rose sharply, both for local consupcion

such as vegetable, rice, fruits and also for the export demand such as coffee and cacao.

Seeing a very significant development of organic farming, there is a hope that the future of agriculture in Indonesia will be capable to make Indonesia becomes green. Without saying much, small farmers in Indonesia who practice the organic agriculture will contribute much to the preservation of nature by following organic.

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