

Activities for Individuals, Corporations and the Community

Tree-Planting Activities in Tropical Areas of Indonesia

Commercial logging being carried out since the 1960's to meet the burgeoning demand for wood products has led to a drastic decline in Indonesia's forested area. Reforesting denuded areas and introducing an effective system of management have become priority issues for the nation. Komatsu began joint studies with Indonesia's Ministry of Forestry to develop ways to restore the tropical rain forests in fiscal 1991. Research on the use of the Lauan tree was started in fiscal 1993. These efforts resulted in creating the first successful technique of its kind in the world for creating a stable supply of Lauan seedlings, opening the way for future reforestation.

This seedling generation technology has gained wide recognition, both within and outside Indonesia. This technique for creating Lauan seedlings is now being considered for use by a joint project being conducted by the International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO) and Gadjah Mada University (Universitas Gadjah Mada) and for the Melanti project, a large reforestation project being implemented by Indonesia's Ministry of Forestry.



Drawing Up and Issuing Komatsu Standards for Conduct

Komatsu established the Komatsu Standards for Conduct for distribution to the employees of all affiliated companies around the world in January 1998. Komatsu encourages all employees to unite in their commitment to achieve true Quality and Reliability by adhering to the Komatsu code of conduct set out in the booklet and thereby ensure the Company's place in the global corporate community. This booklet is designed to set out clearly the general standards to which all employees should adhere in carrying out their various duties.

Revised editions were issued in fiscal 1999 and fiscal 2000 in line with changes in practices and rules in the business community. The 2000 edition of the Komatsu Standards for Conduct contains the following sections.

1. Management Direction
2. Observing the Rules of the Business Community
3. Stakeholders
4. Free and Fair Competition
5. Environmental Conservation Efforts
6. Contributing to the Community
7. Disclosure and Non-Disclosure of Information
8. Establishing an Ethics Department
9. Benefits that Standards for Conduct Bring
10. Instilling Strong Awareness of Standards for Conduct



Komatsu Standards for Conduct are now available in an English-Japanese version, a Russian version and a Vietnamese version.

Creating Green Spaces Atop the Head Office Building

Gardens on the tops of buildings are effective in mitigating the "island of heat" phenomenon, absorb CO₂ emissions and provide an area where living things can thrive. Creating this sort of green space has many beneficial effects on the environment.

The installation of green spaces atop buildings has recently emerged as a popular trend in large urban areas. Komatsu built a full-fledged Japanese garden on the top of its head office building when it was completed back in fiscal 1966. At the time, Komatsu was acclaimed for its pioneering vision.

In May 2001, Komatsu significantly expanded the garden and reopened it as an 850-square-meter green space. Serving as an oasis in the city center, this new garden symbolizes Komatsu's dedication to the local community.

