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Golden Agri-Resources Launches Social and Community Engagement Policy

Jakarta, Singapore, 10 November 2011 – Golden Agri-Resources Limited (GAR) and its subsidiaries including PT SMART Tbk (SMART) announce today that they have launched a Social and Community Engagement Policy (SCEP) to ensure that their palm oil operations improve the lives of the communities they impact.

The SCEP builds on GAR's Forest Conservation Policy (FCP) to ensure a holistic approach towards GAR's sustainability commitments and will guide and shape GAR's decisions in engaging with communities. Core to the SCEP is a commitment to ensure:

- a. Free, Prior and Informed Consent of indigenous people and local communities
- b. Responsible handling of complaints
- c. Responsible resolution of conflicts
- d. Open and constructive engagement with local, national and international stakeholders
- e. Empowering community development programmes
- f. Respecting human rights
- g. Recognising, respecting and strengthening the rights of its workers; and
- h. Compliance with all relevant laws and internationally accepted certification principles and criteria

GAR has committed to taking a multi-stakeholder approach toward developing and implementing the SCEP. The Company has engaged NGOs like The Forest Trust (TFT) and other stakeholders to provide inputs to the policy. The SCEP involved consultations with the Government of Indonesia and local stakeholders, like Yayasan Dian Desa, which were facilitated by Indonesian NGO, LINKS.

"GAR is a significant player in the palm oil industry and will continue to play our part in improving the way we engage the communities we impact. We will promote the SCEP across the palm oil industry and hope for stakeholders to come onboard to further strengthen this policy," said Mr Daud Dharsono, President Director of SMART.

SMART also recently announced that it has received its first RSPO certification for some of its operations in North Sumatra. This is part of the plans by GAR to certify its palm oil operations as at 30 June 2010 by end 2015. GAR is also in the process of developing its Yield Improvement Policy through a multi-stakeholder approach.

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About Golden Agri-Resources Ltd ("GAR")

GAR is the world's second largest palm oil plantation company with a total planted area of 446,200 hectares (including smallholders) as at 30 June 2011, located in Indonesia. It has integrated operations focused on the production of palm-based edible oil and fat.

Founded in 1996, GAR is listed on the Singapore Exchange since 1999 with a market capitalisation of US\$6.7 billion as at 30 June 2011. Flambo International Ltd, an investment company, is GAR's largest shareholder, with a 50% stake. GAR has several subsidiaries, including PT SMART Tbk which is listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange since 1992.

GAR is focused on sustainable palm oil production. In Indonesia, its primary activities include cultivating and harvesting of oil palm trees; processing of fresh fruit bunch into crude palm oil ("CPO") and palm kernel; and refining CPO into value-added products such as cooking oil, margarine and shortening. It also has integrated operations in China including a deep-sea port, oilseeds crushing plants, production capabilities for refined edible oil products as well as other food products such as noodles.

About PT SMART Tbk ("SMART")

SMART is one of the largest, publicly-listed, integrated palm-based consumer companies in Indonesia with a total planted area of 138,100 hectares (including smallholders) as at 30 September 2011. It has integrated operations focused on the production of palm-based edible oil and fat.

Founded in 1962, SMART is listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange since 1992. SMART is a subsidiary of Golden Agri-Resources Ltd ("GAR"), the world's second largest palm oil plantation company which is listed on the Singapore Exchange.

SMART is focused on sustainable palm oil production. Its primary activities include cultivating and harvesting of oil palm trees, processing of fresh fruit bunch into crude palm oil ("CPO") and palm kernel, and refining CPO into value-added products such as cooking oil, margarine and shortening.

Besides bulk and industrial oil, SMART's refined products are also marketed under several brands such as Filma and Kunci Mas. Today, these brands have been recognised for their high quality and command significant market share in their respective segmentation in Indonesia.

SMART also manages all oil palm plantations of GAR. This relationship benefits SMART with its economies of scale in plantation management, information technology, research and development, sourcing of raw material, and access to a wide domestic and international marketing network.

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Social and Community Engagement Policy

1. GAR wants to ensure that its palm oil operations improve the lives of those it impacts. Core to this is a commitment to:
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 - d. Open and constructive engagement with local, national and international stakeholders
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 - h. Compliance with all relevant laws and internationally accepted certification principles and criteria
2. We adopt this Social and Community Engagement Policy for all the plantations that we own, manage or invest in regardless of the stake.
3. To promote this Social and Community Engagement Policy across the palm oil industry, we will leverage our leadership position and advocate this policy in partnership with the Indonesian and global community.

4. Free, Prior and Informed Consent of Indigenous and Local Communities

In line with GAR's Forest Conservation Policy, GAR respects and recognises the long term customary and individual rights of the indigenous and local communities to their land, and commits to ensuring free, prior and informed consent from these communities prior to commencing any new operations. Implementation of this policy will include:

- Participatory mapping of all indigenous and local community lands prior to negotiation
- Social Impact Assessments carried out in a participatory manner, the results of which will be publicly available and actively shared with relevant stakeholders
- Open negotiation processes
- Documented agreements signed by all relevant parties

5. Responsible Handling of Complaints

We will develop and maintain processes for the responsible handling of all complaints at the local, national, and international levels. These processes will be developed in consultation with stakeholders, and will be made publicly available.

6. Responsible Resolution of Conflicts

We commit to actively promoting and supporting the responsible resolution of any conflicts involving GAR operations. This will include working with relevant stakeholders to ensure that conflicts are resolved through a process that is agreed upon by all relevant parties involved, respects customary and individual rights, and ensures the free prior and informed consent of relevant stakeholders to any resolution agreements. We also commit to doing our best to prevent any use of force which could unnecessarily lead to violence.

7. Open and Constructive Engagement with Local, National, and International Stakeholders

We commit to actively and constructively engaging with all GAR's stakeholders, including communities, government, customers, and civil society at the local, national and international levels. This includes a commitment to make information regarding the impacts of our operations publicly available. We will seek to ensure that information is provided in formats and languages relevant to affected stakeholders. We also commit to open and transparent negotiation for all joint management activities.

8. Empowering Community Development Programmes

We will continue to develop and implement empowering community development programmes for the local communities in which we operate. These programmes will be developed through an open, consultative and collaborative manner with local stakeholders. Our community development programmes will seek to empower communities in their development of sustainable livelihoods.

9. Respecting Human Rights

We commit to upholding and promoting the Universal Declaration of Human Rights for all workers, contractors, indigenous people, and local communities in all company operations.

10. Recognising, Respecting and Strengthening the Rights of All Workers

We commit to ensuring that the rights of all people working in our operations are respected according to local, national, and ratified international laws. We provide equal opportunities for all workers, and embrace diversity regardless of ethnicity, religion, disability, gender, political affiliation, sexual orientation or union membership. This is in line with GAR's internal Human Resource Policy.

11. Compliance with All Relevant Laws and Internationally Accepted Certification Principles and Criteria

We will continue to comply with all relevant laws and regulations as well as internationally accepted certification principles and criteria.

Developed by GAR in consultation with TFT

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