



FARMERS OF INDONESIA

PRISMA and partners have established pig feed distribution sales network to increase farmers' productivity in East Nusa Tenggara (NTT)

120,315 smallholders farmers households in NTT have adopted new innovations

Increased incomes for 102,942 smallholders farmers households in NTT

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In addition to being a teacher, I'm also involved in arisan group and posyandu - all dedicated for pigs farming.

I have been raising pigs for a long time. In the past, I fed pigs with only food waste and plants from the garden, such as chopped branches of sweet potatoes and corn. In July 2017, I tried to provide additional feed, and in August 2017, I started using feed produced by PT Malindo Feedmill, a PRISMA's partner. The results are outstanding. Without using these feeds, the pigs' weight used to gain only 300 grams per day, at most. Now, the pigs' weight increased up to 700 grams per day.

After witnessing the rapid growth of pigs, I became interested in selling feed, so that people could buy feed more easily and enjoy the benefits. Many people are interested to buy the feed, but they have no sufficient funds. Therefore, to facilitate the payment, I started an arisan, the rotating savings gatherings, in October 2017.

At first, there was only one group of arisan in my village. Then it grew into eight groups in 4 villages. Each group consists of five people,

so that they can quickly collect the money to buy feed. The feed quota in each group differs depending on the members' capacity, ranging from 10 kg to 25 kg. The participants must pay IDR 20,000 to IDR 50,000 per week.

To support pig farmers and attract more buyers, I established an integrated service post for pigs (posyandu). I provide services for weighing pigs, iron injections, sterilisation and vaccines. I bring scales everywhere until I was nicknamed "the pig midwife." Through PRISMA and its partners' program, I also participated in vaccine training under the supervision of a government veterinarian. Now I have a vaccination certificate from the local Office of Livestock.

Before I started the arisan and posyandu activities, I sold only around 500 kg of feed per month. Now I can sell up to 4 MT per month and my profit reaches up to IDR 6 million per month. That's more than my salary as a teacher, although I remain committed to continue teaching to share my knowledge.

– Stevanus Bulu Laka from Kabali Dana Village, Sumba Barat Daya District, East Nusa Tenggara, is a beneficiary of PRISMA, an Australia-Indonesia Partnership Program. PRISMA works with its partners to implement innovative solutions for farmers and the private sector in Indonesia.