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BELOW
BEYOND**



The Anambas Foundation is an Indonesian foundation that aims to improve the overall ecosystem in the Anambas, both underwater and on land, and sustainably lift the community's welfare.

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Message from Our Patron — Tim Hartnoll

The Covid-19 pandemic is the defining global health crisis of this era. Judging by the scale of the outbreak, it's clear that it's more than just a health crisis, it's also the result of the ongoing environmental crisis happening in our world.

The rising number of zoonotic diseases, such as Covid, are undoubtedly driven by our natural environment's decline, such as climate change, wildlife exploitation, and land degradation. It is time for us to rethink our relationship with the natural world and aim for continued sustainable development.

The work that the Anamabas Foundation (AF) does is always about paving the way for sustainable development in the Anambas Islands. I am proud to be part of this organisation, acting as its patron. Two years after its establishment, I've seen tangible progress has been made by the Foundation on Bawah Island and surrounding islands in the Anambas. The Foundation has worked diligently to raise awareness of waste issues and marine pollution in local communities, introduce an integrated waste management system, and rehabilitate Anambas ecosystems underwater and on land. The Foundation has also empowered residents ranging from students to adults through training and education and helped to grow local economies by introducing sustainable alternative livelihoods.

The close cooperation between the Anambas Foundation and Bawah Reserve is an excellent example of commercial and charitable businesses supporting each other while encouraging a sustainable partnership. Both organisations work hand-in-hand to protect the local ecosystem and elevate the welfare of the island communities. To date, the Foundation has worked to rehabilitate the marine ecosystem at Bawah, supplied resort guests with organic produce grown by local farmers, and trained the staff on waste management and recycling. Bawah Reserve also offers guests opportunities to participate in the Foundation's work, like participating in the Foundation's marine conservation activities or adopting artificial reefs.

It is inspiring to look at the work that the Anambas Foundation does. They continue to steadily forge a path towards a future that is in harmony with nature. I look forward to strengthening the partnership between Bawah Reserve and the Foundation and seeing their continued growth.



Tim Hartnoll

The Anambas Foundation Patron



Message from Our Head of Advisory Board — Dr. Aji Sularso

We marked the second anniversary of the Anambas Foundation in 2020, and what a year it was. Amidst the challenges and global pandemic, the Foundation was still able to move forward with its vision of protecting and rehabilitating the ecosystem of the Anambas archipelago while ensuring the communities' welfare was elevated. I'm proud to see that the organisation I co-founded in 2018 has become a force for good in the Anambas Islands. We have come this far because of the team's dedication to working side-by-side with the communities and the immense support we've been getting from the local government and our generous patrons. For that, I am grateful.

Back when I was still working for the Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, I learned about the unsustainable fishing practices in the Anambas that destroyed this region's rich marine biodiversity. Through our marine education programme, I've now seen that the local fishermen are more aware of protected marine areas and the dangers of using destructive fishing gear. It's encouraging to see how welcoming the Anambas's communities are; they've shown great enthusiasm towards all of our programmes and are actively participating in our initiatives.

The work that the Foundation does is always in line with the Anambas government's development goals. Over the years, we've built a steady and solid relationship with the government and other local agencies. Certainly, one of the highlights of 2020 was when the government of South Tarempa sent us a request for the Digital English Club (DEC) to be established in the village after seeing the enthusiasm for and the benefit of this programme in other villages. I am especially proud to see the close collaboration between the Foundation and Marine Park Authority (LOKA) in boosting the marine conservation efforts in the Anambas.

In the coming year, I hope that the Foundation maintains good working relationships with relevant stakeholders, levels up their conservation and community development programmes in the Anambas Islands, and continues to look to the future beyond this challenging time.



Dr. Aji Sularso

Co-founder of the Anambas Foundation





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Message from our Head of Foundation — Jerry Winata

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It is with great humility we present our second annual report in 2020. The beginning of the new decade has given us unprecedented challenges that forced us to adjust to “a new normal”. Here at the Anambas Foundation, we had to adapt and adjust the way we work and implement our programmes in the Anambas Islands. The robust building blocks of the Foundation we built in prior years have enabled us to adapt quickly and thrive during the pandemic; I am proud of the team, which showed remarkable resilience and the ability to develop innovative ways to deliver our programmes during the pandemic.

Against the odds, we were able to kickstart our mangrove conservation programme in the second term. Together with the village government and community of Kiabu Village, we began the mangrove conservation programme by building a mangrove nursery in June. To date, the nursery houses 800 seedlings in good condition that are ready to be planted soon.

Mid-year was a transitional period as we expanded our Marine Conservation programme to Kiabu Village while in close collaboration with our partner,

Bawah Reserve, to ensure the conservation efforts around Bawah Island were well maintained. In the midst of this, we were granted microgrants from Sustainable Ocean Alliance (SOA) to support our coral restoration and mangrove projects in Kiabu Village.

An important objective in all of our programmes is the ability to expand the knowledge that we impart to the local communities. It is encouraging to see the communities of Telaga share their new-found knowledge in organic farming with the women’s group in Kiabu. In return, the women’s group in Kiabu shared their experience in waste upcycling with the community in Telaga.

Our Integrated Waste Management (IWM) programme, which is the cornerstone of the Foundation’s work, has been well received by various institutions and communities in the Anambas. We received multiple requests to expand the programme to other areas, and it is with great pride we managed to launch our programme in Tiangau Village. We are very excited to work closely with the village government and the community in addressing the waste issue.

As a relatively new organisation working on rehabilitating and conserving the Anambas environment as well as empowering the community, the road ahead has often looked intimidating, especially in times like this. However, we must keep on keeping on and continue to steadily craft our path towards a sustainable and empowered future.

Jerry Winata

Head of the Anambas Foundation





MEET OUR FAMILY

We are a group of individuals with different skill sets and expertise who share the same passion for community development and environmental conservation in the Anambas District.



Jerry Winata. Head of Foundation

"You can't talk about conservation to hungry people."

Jerry spent a big part of his professional career in development work, ranging from lifting people out of poverty with the World Bank, to improving the nutrition of impoverished children and pregnant mothers with the United Nation's World Food Programme. Before joining the Anambas Foundation, he consulted major corporations in Indonesia to strengthen their sustainability strategy and make their practices safer for the environment, in line with the Indonesian Government's ambition to reduce its carbon emission. Jerry also helps private sector companies to establish foundations focusing on forest and peatland conservation and restoration.



Asri Aldila Putri. Programme Manager

"Environmental conservation needs to be implemented first through education and community empowerment to improve community welfare."

Asri loves to travel to the different parts of the Indonesian archipelago and discover the natural wonders this country has to offer, that's why she is passionate about sustainability and wants to tackle environmental issues in Indonesia. She is dedicated to educating the wider community on environmental issues, especially waste problems. At the Anambas Foundation she is responsible for all conservation and community development programs. She is implementing an eco-friendly lifestyle as much as she can in her daily life. She hopes that living by example will inspire people and make them more aware of the importance of protecting the environment.



Dian Arthen. Communications & Public Affairs Manager

"When you empower a woman, you empower a whole community."

Prior to joining the Anambas Foundation, Dian worked as a lifestyle journalist for two different English-language publications in Indonesia. She is passionate about gender equality and is currently trying to practice an eco-friendlier lifestyle. Besides managing all the communications and public affairs at the Foundation, she and Lilian are currently in charge of the Women's Empowerment programme.



Lilian Dewayani. Admin and Finance

"Good works is giving to the poor and the helpless, but divine works is showing them their worth to the One who matters."

Lilian's passion for humanity has guided her career and her work with the Foundation. She has been with BAF since August 2018 as an admin and finance officer. She is responsible for negotiating contracts, formulating policies, and directing and coordinating the procurement and distribution of materials, equipment, machinery, and supplies.



We help nature restore and grow for a more sustainable future



Rodial Hudha (Ridho). Programme Assistant

"If the waste management programme is successful, it will benefit the community."
Ridho let go of his dream of becoming a fisherman and realised that his true calling was working in a field that could help communities. He believes that the people of Anambas can improve their livelihood if they are able to harness the region's potential, such as fishing and tourism in a sustainable manner. Furthermore, he believes that waste management is the one of the main solutions to improve the area's sustainability of the area.



Dennis Kurniawan. Marine Conservation Programme Manager

"We can learn from the ocean about symbiosis, and we can choose mutualism as part of our character."
Dennis started his career as a temporary staff member at World Wildlife Fund in Komodo National Park. He has a great interest in the field of marine conservation. As a Marine Conservation Programme Manager at AF, his responsibilities are to design, execute, and monitor marine conservation programmes such as coral reef conservation and restoration, sea turtle conservation, integrated environmental management, and Integrated Waste Management on Bawah Island.



Corina Dewi Ruswanti. Marine Conservation Programme Assistant

"See together, learn together, and preserve our ocean together."
Corina has a degree in Marine Science and has had experience in marine conservation before joining the Anambas Foundation, working with Taka Foundation and Manta Watch. She is also trained in Ecomentary Filmmaking. Working in a new and challenging environment has never been a problem for her, and she always tries to push herself a little bit further. In her spare time, she loves to explore new places and things.



Geri Susanto. Village Facilitator

"People in the village have to be more open minded."
In 2010 Geri studied Sociology to learn about community life and social interaction. He is realising his dream of helping develop villages by opening up the minds of villagers to new ideas. As a village facilitator, he is responsible for monitoring the Digital English Club and Integrated Waste Management programmes' implementation. He is also responsible for the upcycling waste programme and managing the recycling centre in Kiabu.



Husni. Village Facilitator

"I want to help my village change for the better."
Husni grew up and studied in a remote village until he left to study Information Technology in Tanjung Pinang. He joined AF in 2018 as village facilitator in Telaga Village. He is responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Organic Farming, Women's Empowerment, and Integrated Waste Management programmes, as well as bridging the communication between AF and the village government.

MEET OUR VOLUNTEERS

Our volunteers are important in keeping the foundation running smoothly. Get to know them and learn about the work they do at AF.

“ I volunteer for
the greater good
of the environment
and society ”

-Tasha Praharsacitta





Alanna Bergman. Artist & Educator

While studying illustration at Rhode Island School of Design, Alanna became most passionate about using waste to create useful and beautiful new designs, a process known as “upcycling”. This interest led to volunteering for the Anambas Foundation. She collaborated with the women and children of Kiabu to design new beautiful products from waste. They are planning to expand this project and add new ones next summer in Anambas. Her hope is to raise awareness and engagement with the environment and the environmental movement through art.



Allysha T Fatima (Alix). Law Student, Jentera

Alix is passionate about volunteering for causes such as the environment, animal welfare, and social justice. She’s interned at Transformasi Untuk Keadilan, an NGO that focuses on finance, corporate accountability, human rights, and the environment. Alix drafts and copyedits the Anambas Foundation’s periodic report and continues to increase her support in providing various communication material.



Hanum Nahriah. Education Specialist, Start-up Enthusiast

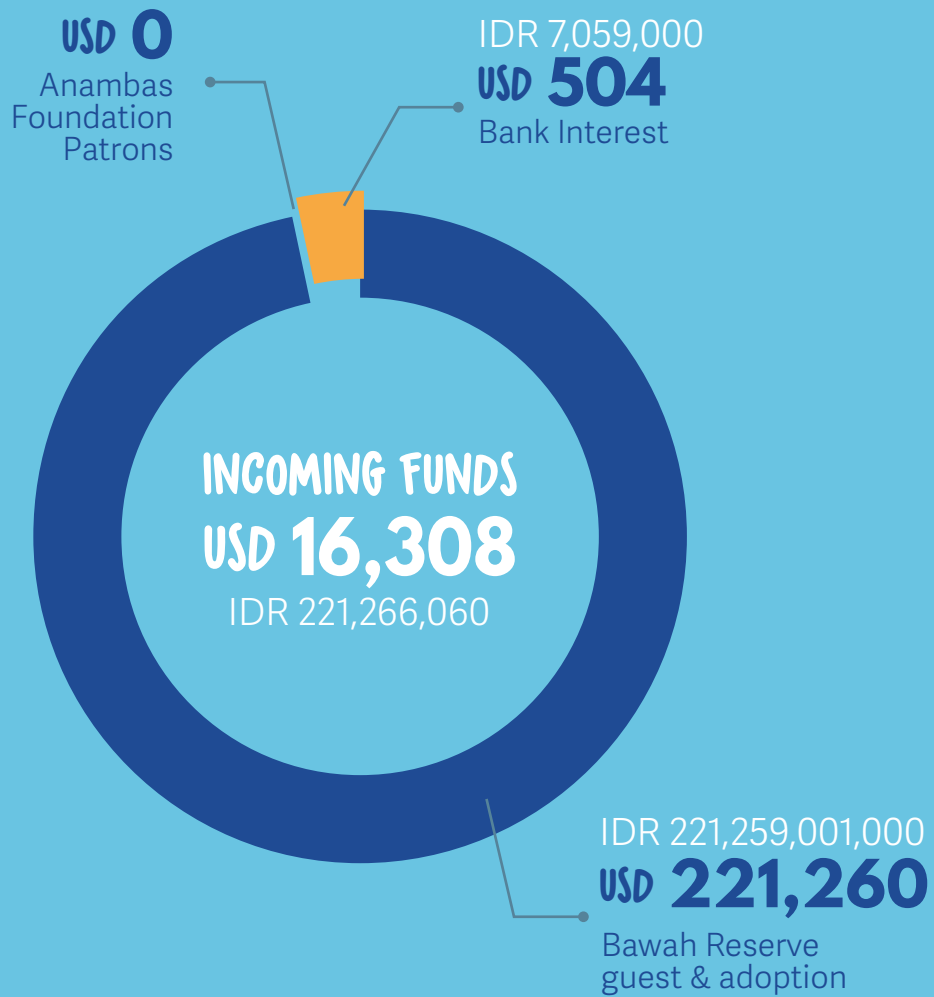
Hanum is an experienced project manager with a demonstrated history of working in the communications and start-up industry. She has vast experience in bilateral projects and start-up ecosystems. She is passionate in supporting start-ups to scale their businesses, and help provide equal access to underserved communities. She believes in the near future Indonesia can be an inclusive country with strong infrastructure that supports marginalised people and people with disabilities. Skilled in government relations, public affairs, international relations, communications, and social media, Hanum aims to contribute to upcoming Anambas projects by bringing in mentors to train the staff, developing communication pieces, and developing its programmes.



Ratna Ariyanti. Writer and Lecturer

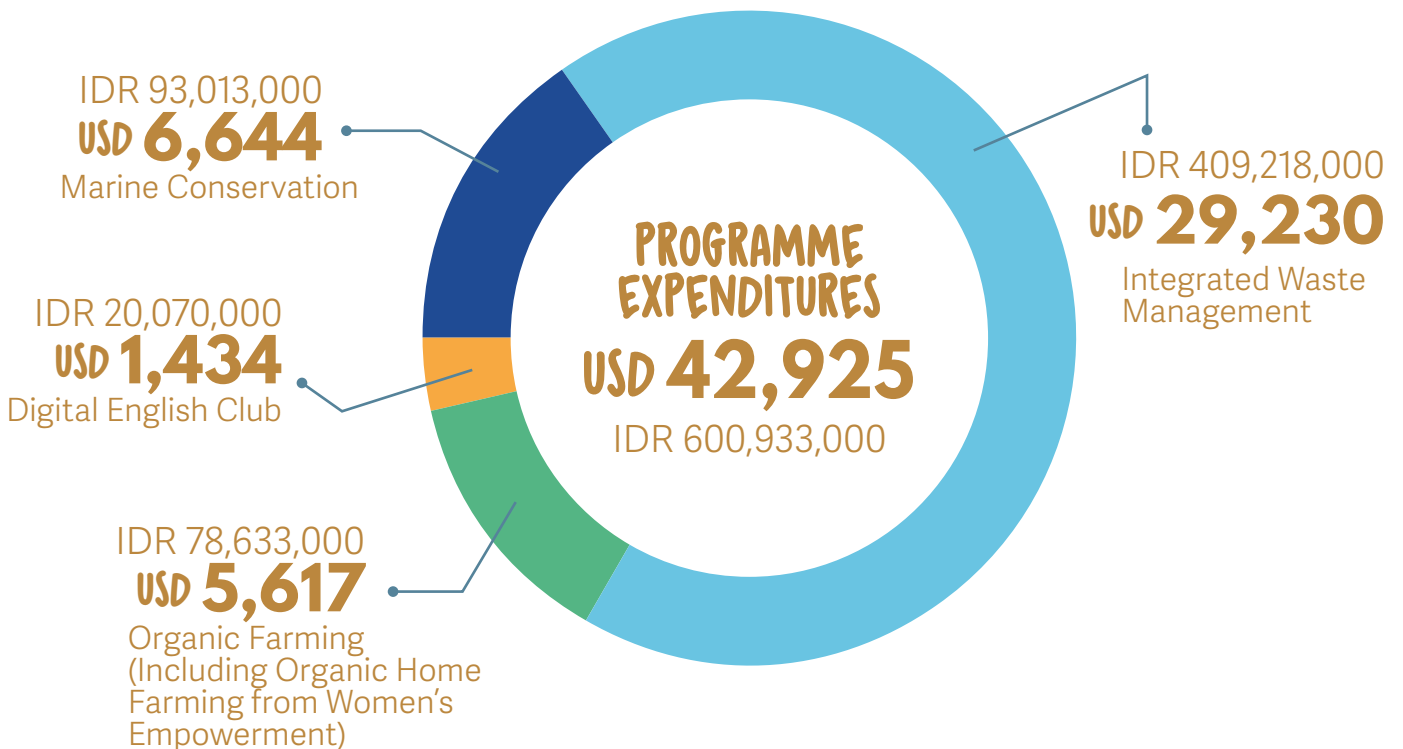
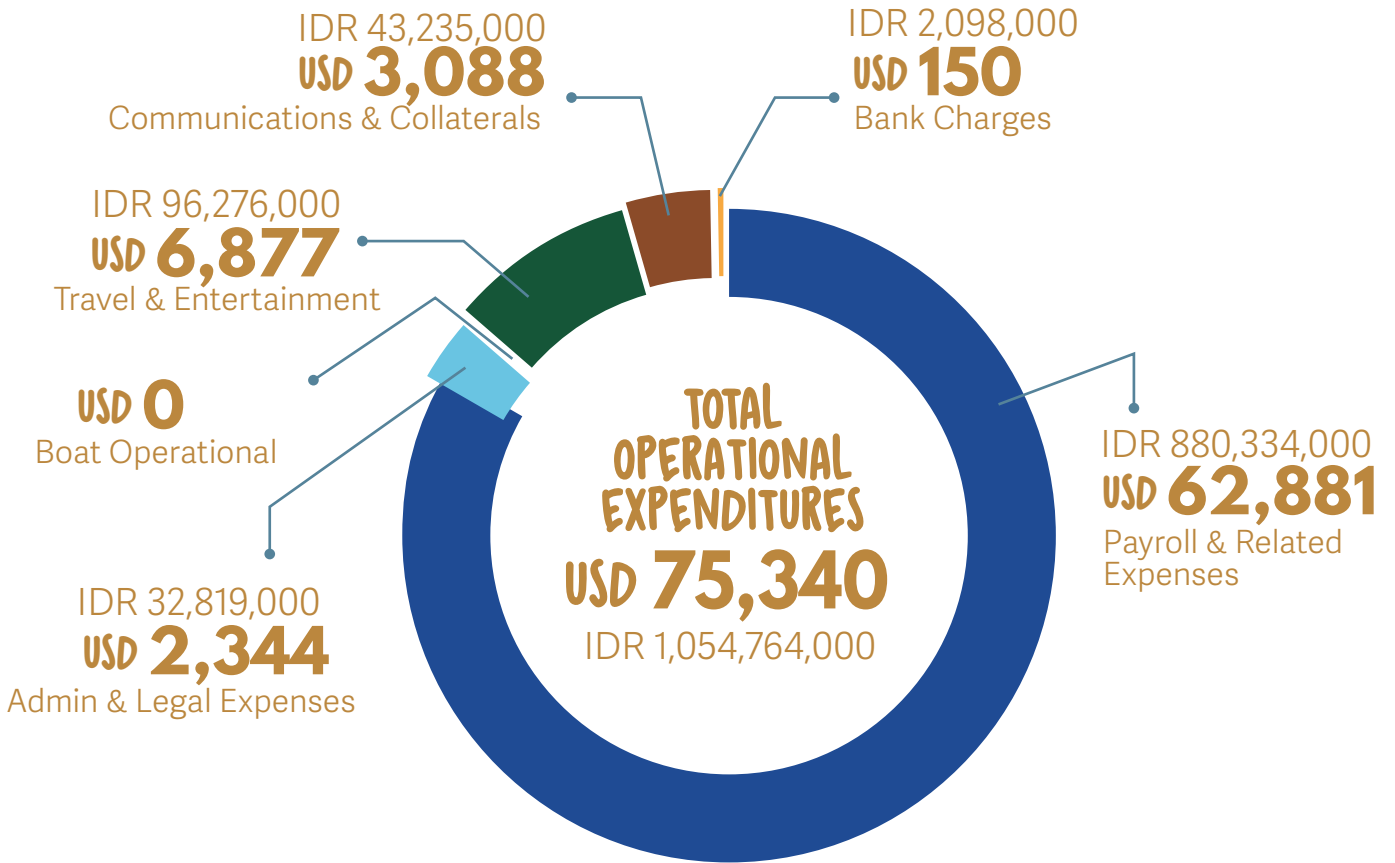
Ratna Ariyanti is a journalist with more than 10 years of experience. She’s currently pursuing a doctoral study in journalism at Ohio University—E.W. Scripps School of Journalism. Apart from her journalism career, she is actively involved as a board member of the Alliance of Independent Journalists, known as AJI Indonesia to improve journalists’ skills through various trainings and workshops. Since 2018, she has been representing AJI as one of the key persons for CekFakta, a collaborative fact-checking medium initiated by AJI and supported by 24 media companies.

FINANCIAL RECAP



A full 100% of the funds collected from donors are used to support our programme activities. The Anambas Foundation patrons and Bawah Reserve are committed to cover the Foundation’s operational expenditures.

*We maintained an amount of USD 150,000 (IDR 2.1 billion) from the previous year and through reduced spending were able to maintain our programmes throughout 2020.







2020 Highlights

JANUARY

High enthusiasm from students for Digital English Club programme in Tiangau

Digital English Club in Tiangau kicked off

MARCH

We adjusted our programmes and our work according to Covid-19 protocols and guidelines

Covid-19 lockdown

MAY

Received funding, completed the Recycling Center, and initiated new programmes

Construction of Kiabu Recycling Centre completed



JUNE

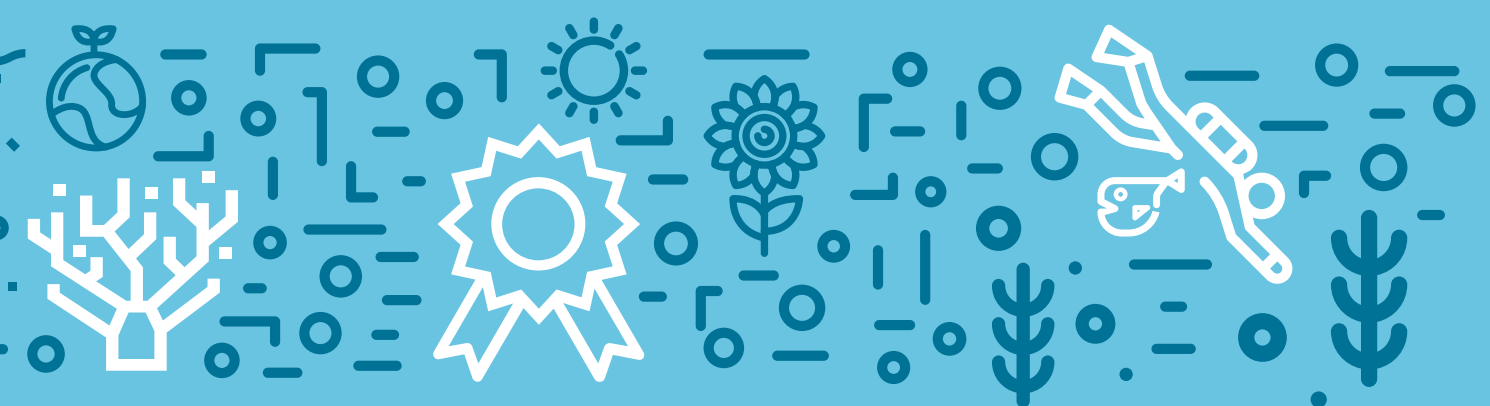
Mangrove Conservation began; Knowledge Exchange Initiative between Telaga and Kiabu Villages started

AUGUST

Received Sustainable Ocean Alliance (SOA) microgrant for coral restoration and mangrove projects in Kiabu Village

DECEMBER

Marine Conservation kicked off in Kiabu Village



An underwater photograph of a coral reef. The water is a deep, clear blue. In the foreground and middle ground, there are various types of coral, including branching corals and more rounded, brain-like corals. The lighting is bright, suggesting a shallow depth.

“ Surely we all have a responsibility to care for our Blue Planet. The future of humanity and indeed, all life on earth, now depends on us.

- Sir David Attenborough

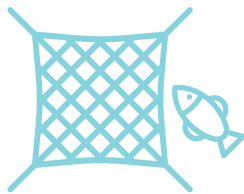


MARINE CONSERVATION

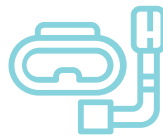
The Marine Conservation programme started on Bawah Island in 2018, focusing on reef health monitoring, coral transplantation, artificial reefs, turtle conservation, and education. In 2020, the team embarked on a new journey of expanding this programme to Kiabu Village, located near Bawah Island. The Kiabu project is still in its early stages. Some of the conservation work the team has done so far includes constructing coral spiders (artificial reefs) for coral conservation, planting mangroves to create a green belt area for the village, and educating the community on marine debris issues and how to rehabilitate the marine ecosystem.

TOTAL COST IDR 93,013,000

USD **6,644**



37 Large net removals; total waste collected: 2324 kg



20 Shallow snorkel and beach clean ups, total waste collected: 613kg



12 marine articles published on the website



800 mangrove seedlings nurtured at the nursery in Kiabu

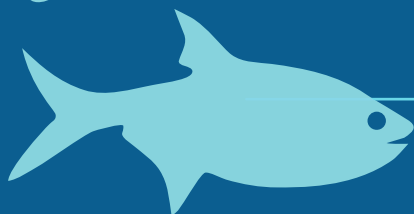


100 young mangrove trees planted in Kiabu



95 underwater clean up expeditions held in Bawah, with 606.2 kg of waste collected

2 reef health monitoring sessions held on Bawah Island



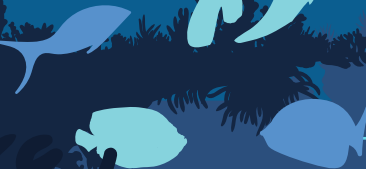
initiated a Baited Remote Underwater Video (BRUV) project to monitor shark populations



93 turtle monitoring days

18 nests saved

618 hatchlings released



98 new marine species added to the marine biodiversity guide book

5 coral tables installed around Bawah Island

11 coral trees replanted at Bawah

34 hexadomes installed at Bawah

over **600** corals grown and transplanted to Bawah reefs

100 coral spiders installed at Bawah Island



40 coral spiders installed in Kiabu



I only feel angry when I see waste; when I see people throwing away things we could use.

- Mother Teresa



INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT

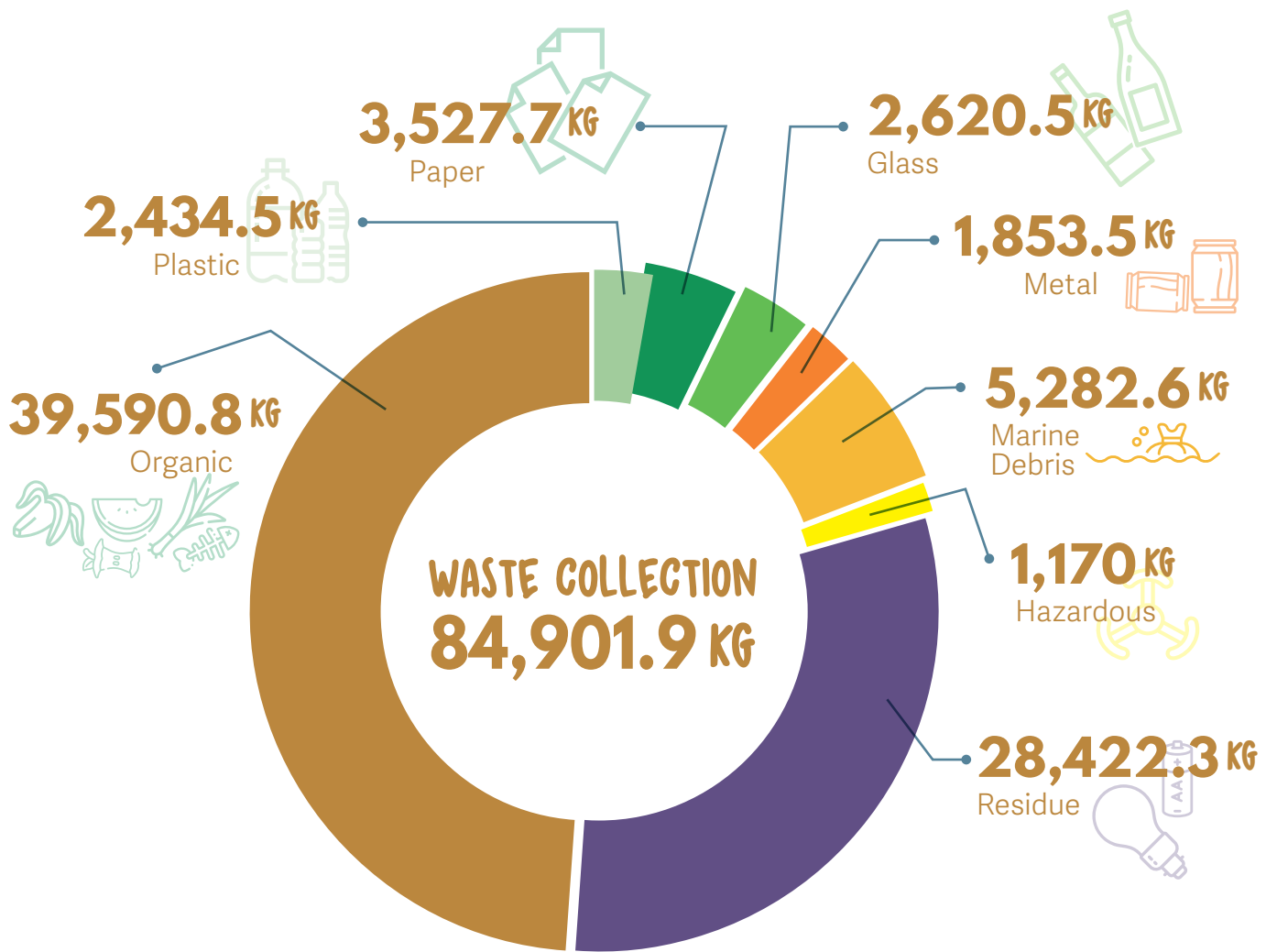
The Foundation first initiated its Solid Waste Management programme in 2018. The programme, with the addition of waste upcycling, was later folded into our Integrated Waste Management (IWM) initiative. The main priorities of IWM are educating local communities on waste issues and how to manage waste responsibly, running the newly established Recycling Centre in Kiabu Village, and providing upcycling training.

So far, the programme has effectively increased awareness and changed the habits of the communities; women's groups in villages now hold community clean-ups regularly and communities are more aware of the different types of waste and how to sort them.

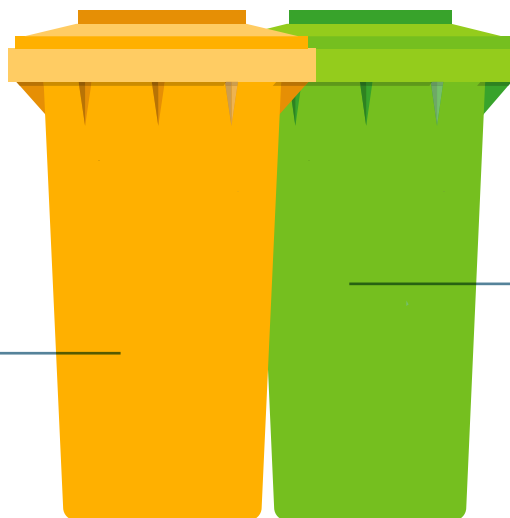
TOTAL COST IDR 409,201,800

USD **29,230**





1 waste management training was held on Bawah Island



82 households learned about waste management via door-to-door education in Tiangau Village





***Agriculture is the most healthful,
most useful and most noble
employment of man.***

- George Washington



ORGANIC FARMING

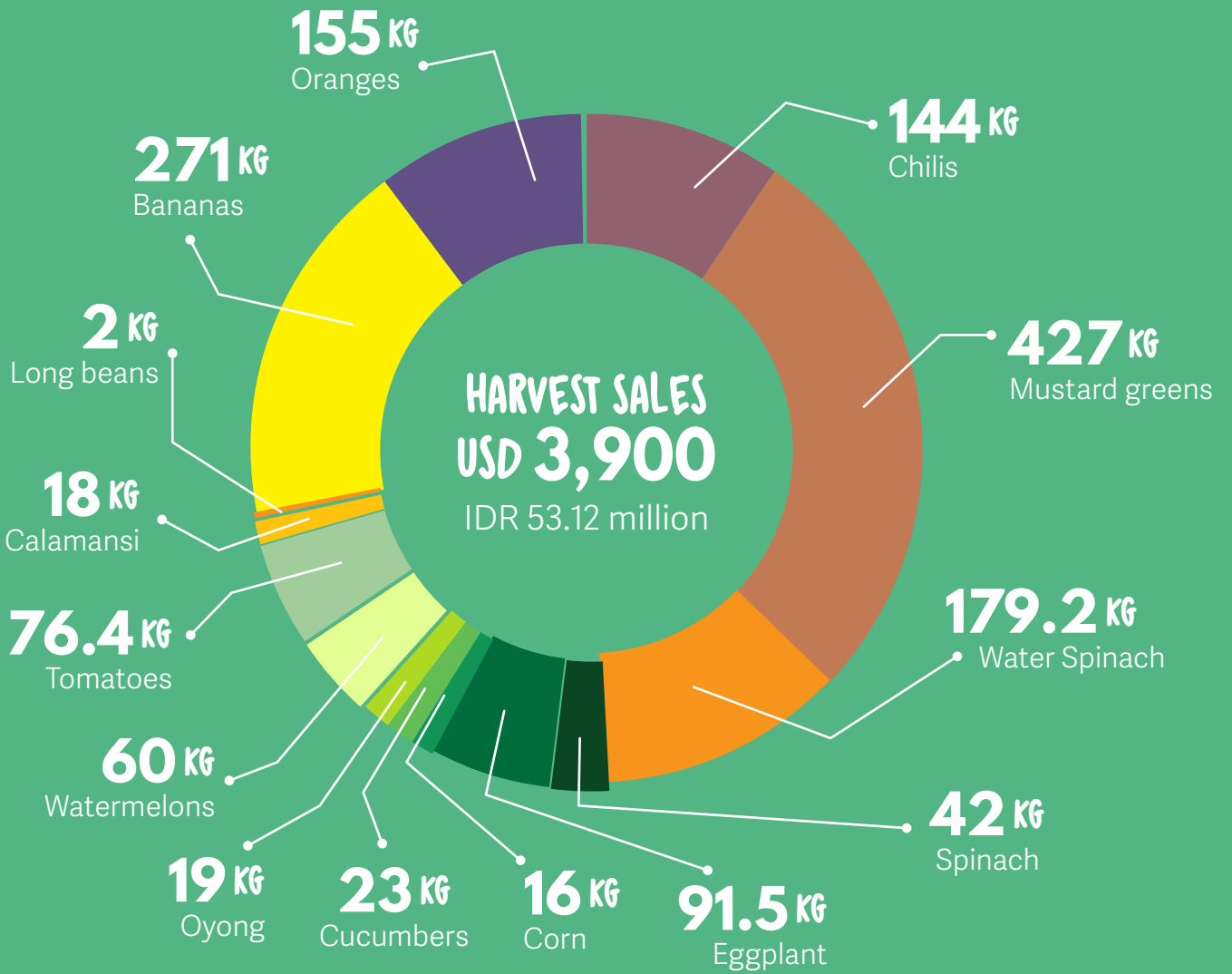
The Organic Farming programme in Telaga Village is managed by local residents who are members of the village's farmers' group. With support from the village government, the farm was developed on land that is owned by the village. The Anambas Foundation provides agricultural equipment and seeds, and emphasis is put on not using any chemicals for fertilisers or pesticides. We have also built traditional greenhouses to protect the farm from pest attacks and have hired an expert in organic farming to facilitate and teach the locals how to grow their produce organically.

What's more, we also teach housewives how to grow organic vegetables at home through an initiative called Organic Home Farming with the main goal of providing more diverse and nutritious food sources for the community.

TOTAL COST IDR 78,633,000

USD **5,617**







***“ There is no limit to
what we, as women,
can accomplish***

- Michelle Obama



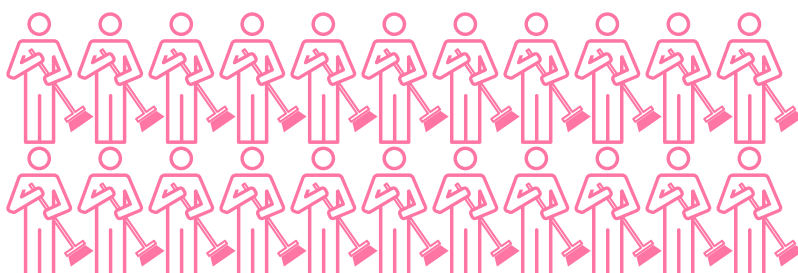
WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT

We aim to empower and educate the women of the Anambas Islands by strengthening their home businesses that sell traditional snacks, teaching them organic home farming, and providing them with upcycling training that have economic value.

Pre Covid-19, the women's group in Telaga would get orders for their traditional snacks from Bawah Reserve, which served the snacks to guests. This supplied the women with a steady income stream. But since Bawah Reserve had to be temporarily close due to the pandemic in 2020, demand for the snacks also decreased significantly.



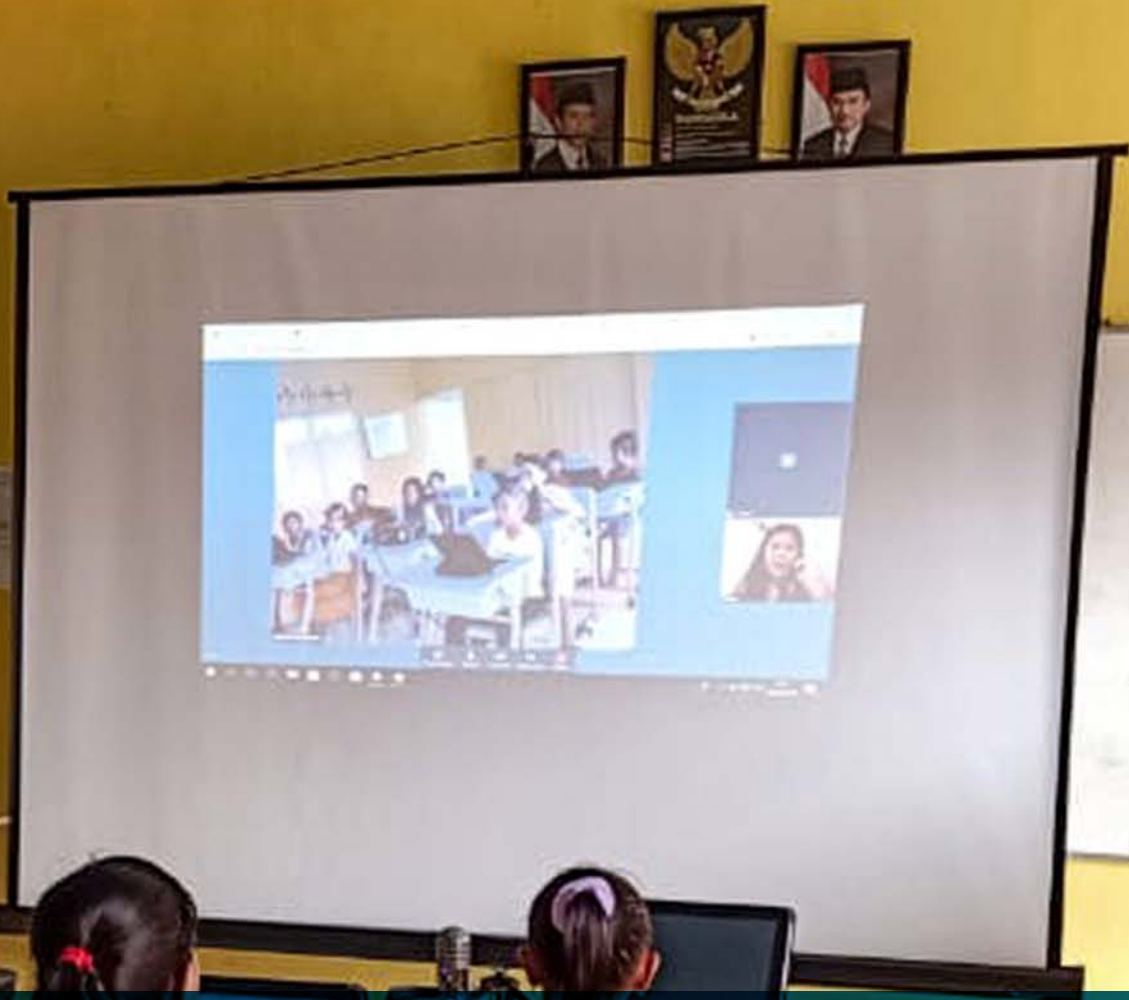
TOTAL INCOME GENERATED FROM ORGANIC HOME FARMING



22
community cleanups







“ We must remember that intelligence is not enough. Intelligence plus character — that is the goal of true education

- Martin Luther King, Jr



DIGITAL ENGLISH CLUB

We collaborate with Cakap, an online language-learning platform to provide English lessons for elementary and middle school students under the Digital English Club (DEC) programme. However, due to the limited seats for the online class, not everyone can be admitted, so we also offer offline classes to accommodate the high demand. Moreover, as a way to educate communities from a very young age about conservation, the Foundation is combining education about environment conservation and waste management with the English lessons.

TOTAL COST IDR 20,070,000

USD **1,434**



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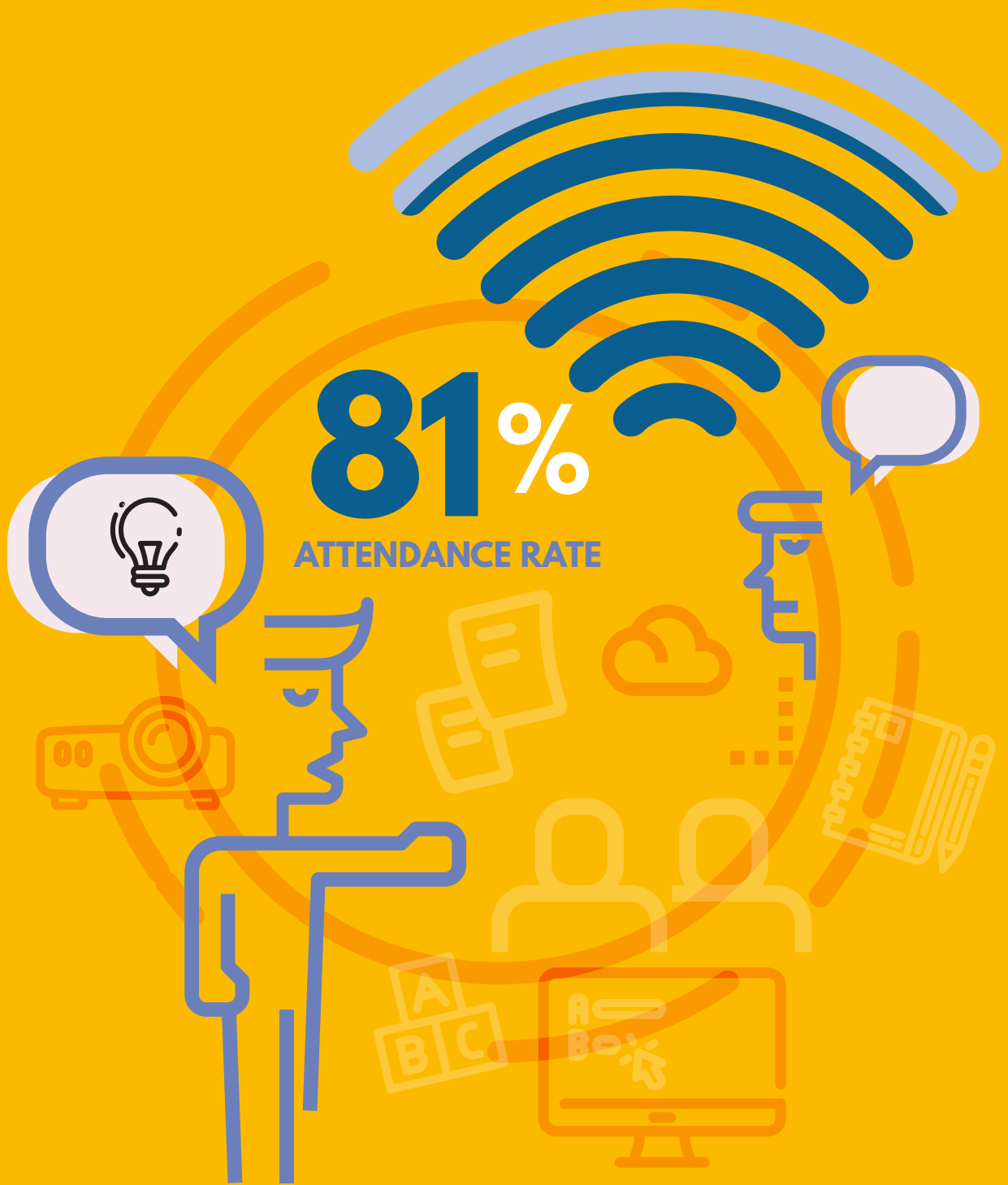
male students



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female students

Joined Digital English Club classes in Tiangau











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