

Honoured With The UNDP N-Peace Award

Our Bangka – Activist Jull Takaliuang received this prestigious international acknowledgement

Our local activist for Bangka, Jull Takaliuang, was granted the United Nations Development Program N - Peace Award in New York on October 25th, 2015. Only six women activists worldwide receive this annual award. The other five activists are from Myanmar, Philippines, Pakistan, Nepal and Afghanistan.

In a one hour speech following the homage Jull used the opportunity to inform the Indonesian President, Joko Widodo, and Ministers about the law scandal in relation to Bangka. The Minister for Energy and Minerals who attended the event underlined that his House would not follow up the law appeal and counter-act the verdict of July 2015. He stated that the permit had been frozen since October 2014. The Administrative Law Court PTUN East Jakarta in its verdict of July 14th no. 211/G/2014/PTUN.Jkt had ruled, the Minister had to cancel the production permit which had been granted by former Minister Jero Wacik to PT. MMP. The minister had soon after been sacked, but the Chinese company continued its construction activities ignoring the rule. On July 30th, 2015 PT. MMP appealed against the verdict, initially being supported by the Minister. He then, however, abandoned the follow up on court not delivering the counter memory in due time.

This means the Chinese illegally continued their construction works which had been started in 2014, thus devastating large stretches of coast and hinterland in the northern part of 49 km² measuring Bangka Island. By-passing the law but being protected by the Provincial Governor of North Sulawesi who retired recently, the Regency Head of North Minahasa and the Executive Apparatus the Chinese company stubbornly continued its destruction into September this year. Furthermore they had succeeded in bribing five of the nine Save Bangka Alliance's plaintiffs to withdraw their sue stating they had realized that their livings were not harmed by the mining company's activities. In return the traitors received 50 mio Rp each, in one case 60 mio (4.200 Euro). Rp. This decline in plaintiffs, however, doesn't have an effect of the verdict

CHRONOLOGY

March 1st, 2013

With its verdict 165/B.TUN/2012/PT.TUN. MKS the High Administrative Court Makassar rules that the Regency Chief has to withdraw the license granted to PT. MMP

September 24th, 2013

In its verdict 291 K/TUN/2013 the Indonesian Supreme Court confirms the Makassar verdict

July 12th, 2014

The Court's President reports to the Indonesian President that the Rule is being ignored and demands disciplinary sanctions against the Regent

July 24th, 2014

Ignoring the Supreme Court's verdict Minister Jero Wacik of the ESDM grants MMP a production license (SK ESDM No. 3109/K/MEM/2014

September 25th, 2014

The alliance to Save Bangka island sues the Minister For Energy And Minerals (ESDM) to withdraw the license (No. 211/G/2014/PTUN.Jkt.)

October 3rd, 2014

The ESDM pends the license which was granted to PT. MMP (No.. 1737/30/DJB/2014)

March 4th, 2015

In its verdict no. 127/PK/TUN/2014 the Supreme Court rejects an application of the Regent and PT. MMP to revise its verdict.

May 22nd, 2015

The Save Bangka Alliance submits a sue at the Manado Court that the company's environmental permit (EIA) is illegal

July 14th, 2015

The East Jakarta Administrative Court in its verdict 211/G/2014/PTUN.Jkt rules the