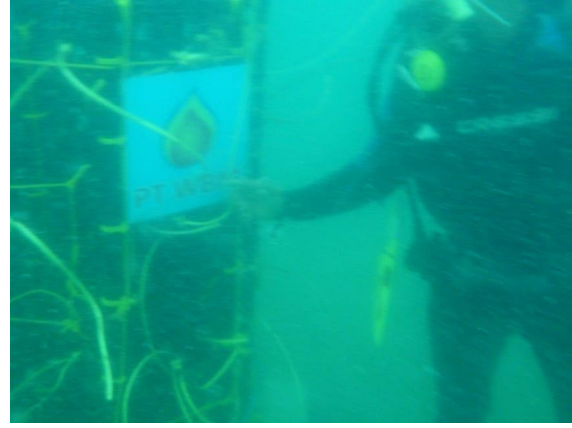


PT Wahana Baratama Mining Launches “APIK-DESA”: Aquatic Conservation Program through the Development of Fish Apartment



Sungai Cuka, 2023 — Throughout 2023, PT Wahana Baratama Mining (WBM) launched a program called APIK-DESA (Fish Apartments for Village Conservation) at Sungai Cuka Village. In this program, WBM strived to conserve the aquatic ecosystem, while encouraging villagers to actively participate in conservation activities.

Fish apartment is a unique concept, where it is an artificial structure that resembles the natural habitat in village waters. These apartments serve as shelter, spawning grounds, and feeding areas for fish. WBM hopes this initiative will boost water biodiversity and maintain a healthy aquatic environment despite various challenges.

The APIK-DESA program becomes even more meaningful through WBM's collaboration with the Village-Owned Enterprise of Sungai Cuka. It is intended so that the public can be directly involved and have a sense of belonging. Through this collaboration, the conservation effort is not just a temporary project but can be developed into a sustainable program driven by the community itself.

“This program is not only about preserving nature but also fostering togetherness. We want the community to participate and play an active role in conservation efforts,” said WBM's CSR team. Through APIK-DESA, WBM demonstrates that protecting nature can start with simple actions, as long as people work together. Hopefully, this small step will inspire other villages to also protect their natural ecosystem.