

# Statement of Partnership New Zealand and Indonesia 2025 – 2029



He waka eke noa
We are all in the waka together

Kolaborasi dalam harmoni Harmonised collaboration

This Statement of Partnership sets out the principles, commitments, priorities and understandings that will guide cooperation and engagement between the Governments of New Zealand and the Republic of Indonesia in identified areas of development cooperation.

# **Principles**

New Zealand and Indonesia recognise the long-standing relationship between our two countries as exemplified in the Comprehensive Partnership Joint Statement on 19 March 2018. This Statement of Partnership forms part of New Zealand and Indonesia's Plan of Action under our Comprehensive Partnership. We reaffirm the overarching partnership values and principles of our Comprehensive Partnership, and their relevance to this development cooperation Statement of Partnership, including democracy and human rights and a relationship built on strong friendship, trust, and shared goodwill accrued from over 65 years of formal diplomatic relations.

New Zealand acknowledges Indonesia's national Medium Term Development Plan, Rencana Pembangunan Jangka Menengah Nasional

(RPJMN) 2025-2029. Its goal being to: realise an independent, developed, just, and prosperous society through accelerated development in various fields, by emphasising the establishment of a solid economic structure based on competitive advantage in various regions of Indonesia, supported by qualified and competitive human resources.

In so doing, the New Zealand-Indonesia International Development Cooperation programme aims to support increasing prosperity for all in this rapidly developing country, with a particular focus on the less-developed provinces in Eastern Indonesia.

#### Commitments

New Zealand and Indonesia have decided to leverage development cooperation with greater focus on and support for strategic policy issues in accepted areas. We will elevate Activity<sup>1</sup> governance arrangements while ensuring ownership and adherence to Indonesia's regulations.

This Statement of Partnership builds on achievements of the New Zealand – Indonesia Joint Commitment for Development (JCfD) 2017 – 2024 and commits to cover priority areas and shared understandings in relation to our development cooperation partnership over the period January 2025 to December 2029 that will progress future work under two priority areas:

- Climate and Economic Resilience supporting Indonesia's efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to the challenges and opportunities created by climate change and achieve green growth objectives.
- Human and Inclusive Development supporting people and vulnerable groups and strengthening people to people connections.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Activity is defined as a project within New Zealand's International Development Cooperation programme.

# **Priority Areas for Cooperation**

Under this Statement of Partnership, New Zealand and Indonesia will work together towards achieving the following results for Indonesia and its communities:

### Climate and economic resilience

- An accelerating contribution from the renewable energy sector towards green growth.
- Support Indonesia to deliver on its commitments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through an accelerated and just transition from fossil fuels to clean energy.
- Increased renewable energy production (particularly geothermal production) leading to increased and equitable access to affordable energy.
- Collaboration to address policy barriers to renewable energy and increased workforce skills and capability that can build capable institutions in renewable energy.
- Extend access to off-the-grid renewable energy for disadvantaged villages and regions to improve livelihoods and reduce the development gap.
- Advance Indonesia's engagement in activities aimed at increasing low emissions agriculture production and building regional capability in agricultural emissions measurement.
- Accelerate implementation of gender-responsive climate change and disaster risk reduction action in Indonesia and support women and marginalised groups to improve their livelihoods through use of renewable energy.

 Support Indonesia's capacity in delivering coherent and effective humanitarian assistance – both domestically and across the region – in response to climate-related events.

## Human and Inclusive Development

- We will support meaningful progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), to address disparities, enhance human capital development, strengthen good governance, boost transformation and accelerate development, particularly with a continued focus on Eastern Indonesia.
- Support scholars and students to successfully gain skills and qualifications and contribute to development of Indonesia. We will foster connections through a dynamic and engaged alumni network.
- Contribute to a stronger civil society, improved sustainable development and strengthened governance practices by delivering capacity building programmes to emerging civil society groups and youth leaders.
- Increased participation of women and girls, and groups at risk of marginalisation in social, economic and political decision making, through strengthening legal frameworks, policy reform and budget allocations resulting in greater representation by women and improved human security outcomes.

## **Shared Understanding**

In order to give practical effect to our ambitions under this Statement of Partnership, New Zealand and Indonesia will hold each other mutually accountable, and will work together in the following ways:

- Support two-way Ministerial and senior officials visits and consultations between our countries on issues of mutual interest;
- Hold regular High-Level Consultations (HLC's) as a part of the Senior Officials Meetings resulting in a co-signed Statement of Outcome, leading to the annual Joint Ministerial Commission (JMC) talks between Indonesia and New Zealand;
- Carry out a Partnership stocktake every 12 months, including the list and description of all current NZ funded activities, to coordinate and monitor progress across the cooperation programme activity schedule, supporting approved priority areas in this Statement of Partnership;
- Foster cooperation between New Zealand and Indonesia counterpart institutions where there are joint benefits;
- Coordinate long-term and predictable assistance to approved priority sectors aligned to the RPJMN and coherent national sector and regional plans;
- Coordinate such development cooperation initiatives alongside those from other development partners and stakeholders; and in recognition of emerging or shifting government priorities.

This Statement of Partnership will take effect on the date of its signature. Any jointly decided amendment to the priorities, commitments, or principles will be decided in writing. Either side may withdraw from this Statement of Partnership by providing written notice at least ninety (90) days prior to the intended date of termination.

Signed at Wellington in English and Indonesian.

For the Government of

**New Zealand** 

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