

TPL Inaugurates Communal Sanitation Facility in Tapsel: A Concrete Step in Supporting Stunting Reduction

After a construction process that began with the groundbreaking ceremony in July 2024, the communal sanitation facility (MCK) project in Sanggapati Village, Angkola Timur District, South Tapanuli Regency, was officially handed over on Wednesday, November 20, 2024.

The handover ceremony took place at the facility site and was attended by various stakeholders, including PT Toba Pulp Lestari (TPL) Manager Heddy Panjaitan, Sanggapati Village Head Sulaiman Sinaga, TPL Public Relations Officers Bahara Sibuea, Juliandri Hutabarat, and Ramson Simamora, as well as Community Development (CD) Officer Charles Sitorus. Local residents also gathered to witness this significant moment.

The communal sanitation facility was built in three strategic locations within Sanggapati Village with the hope of making a meaningful contribution to reducing stunting rates, in line with the national program currently being promoted.

In his speech, Heddy emphasized that the company's main focus is to support the acceleration of stunting reduction through initiatives that directly benefit the community.

"With this sanitation facility, we aim to create a healthier environment and help the community prepare a younger generation free from the threat of stunting, both physically and mentally," said Heddy.

He also highlighted the importance of a healthy lifestyle in supporting proper nutrition to prevent stunting.

"Stunting is not only influenced by nutrition but also by poor habits, such as failing to wash hands properly before eating. This facility is designed to help the community adopt a healthier lifestyle," he added.

Sanggapati Village Head Sulaiman Sinaga expressed his gratitude and appreciation for TPL's support.

"We are very grateful to TPL for helping to establish this sanitation and clean water facility. This facility is highly beneficial for us, particularly in improving public health and supporting stunting prevention efforts in our village," he said with heartfelt gratitude.

The construction of the communal sanitation facility in Sanggapati Village serves as a tangible proof of TPL's commitment to community welfare. The company hopes that this initiative will create a lasting impact in fostering a healthier environment while supporting the success of the national stunting reduction program. Through collaborations like this, the shared vision of building a healthy and resilient generation in South Tapanuli Regency is becoming increasingly achievable.