WHV – Together in TraCe-ing Rainforest Biodiversity, Culture and Education for Preservation and Conservation

Royal Belum State Park, Malaysia

Site inscribed on a Tentative List since 2017  
18/09/2022 – 28/09/2022

The Royal Belum State Park has been considered as the hotspot for biodiversity in Malaysia as it hosts diverse ecosystems and habitats for numerous different species of flora and fauna, of which many are endemic, rare, vulnerable or otherwise threatened in Malaysia and the region. It represents the largest undisturbed and pristine habitats and ecosystems for *in situ* conservation of both the terrestrial and freshwater river and lake biodiversity in the country.

**Project objectives:**

Implemented for the first time, the project aims at raising awareness among young people, volunteers, local communities, and concerned authorities of the need to appreciate, protect and adopt best practices to promote the Royal Belum State Park.

**Project activities:**

The volunteers will contribute to “TRaCe” awareness, biodiversity, community engagement, partnerships and solutions for the site, taking part in a diverse range of activities from heritage presentations to camera trapping and tree planting, aiming at also producing guideline and ideas to develop non-formal education tools to improve management practices and indigenous participation, ownership and empowerment.

**Partners:**

Pulau Banding Foundation (PBF), National Commission for UNESCO, Perak State Parks Corporation, Ministry of Tourism and Culture Malaysia (MOTAC), National Heritage Department (JWN), UNESCO Field Office in Jakarta (UNESCO Jakarta)

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