### **OUR GOAL**

TO CONSERVE FORESTAND RIVERINE HABITATS IN THE UPPER KINTA RIVER BASIN TO SUPPORT THE CENTRAL FOREST SPINE INITIATIVE THROUGH CROSS-SECTOR PARTNERSHIP AND COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

### **OUR OBJECTIVES**

- To develop and adopt a strategy for forest and water resource management of the Upper Kinta Basin
- To establish community engagement programs to address issues regarding forest management and river protection

# TARGET BENEFICIARIES



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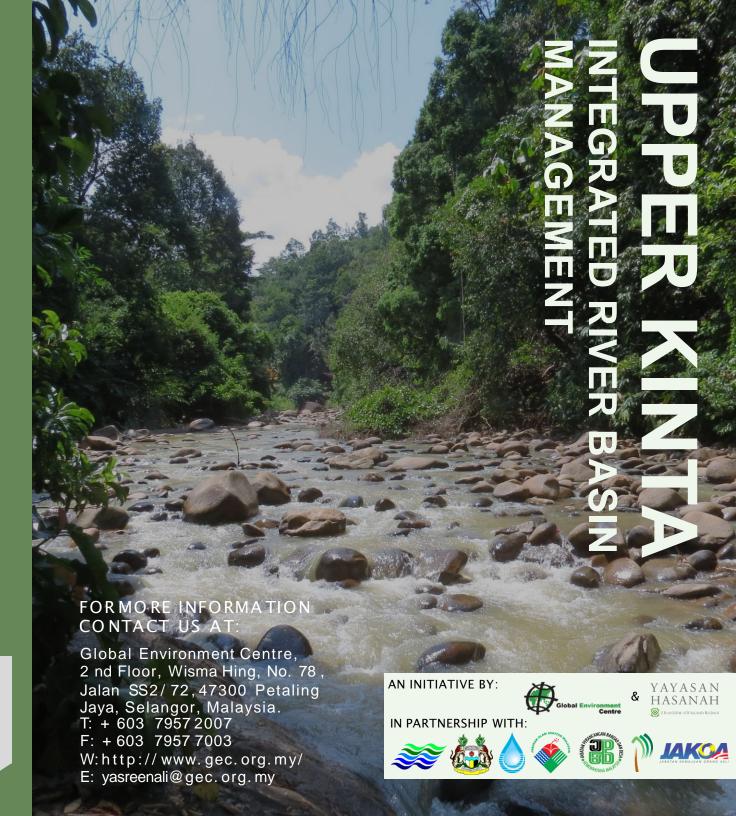
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Urban and suburban communities in Upper Kinta

Basin



Government agencies responsible for catchment management





### **BACKGROUND**

The Upper Kinta Basin (UKB) covers about 25,000 ha between Gunung Korbu and Ipoh town. The area is the main watershed that provides water supply for Ipoh and its surroundings, and also an important part of the Central Forest Spine (CFS) initiative.

However, the Kinta River has become a threatened resource due to river pollution caused by industrial discharge, improper sewage treatment, residential discharge, wet markets, poultry farms, sand-mining, land development, and soil erosion. The degradation of river quality is affecting the integrity of the catchment water supply, biodiversity, and local communities.





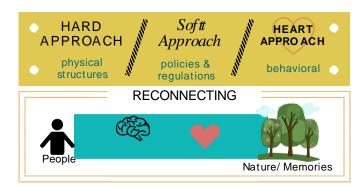


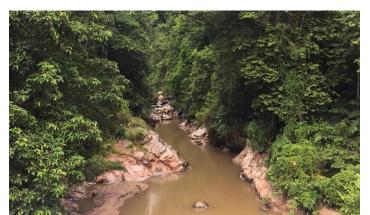
#### SMART PARTNERSHIP

Cooperation between the government, private sector and community is the key to successful river management. A platform will be established for project stakeholders to strategize, implement, and share available resources amongst them.

#### CIVIC SCIENCE

Civic science as a way to encourage community participation by bringing thoughts about issues from the mind down to the heart, through establishing community-based initiatives, and giving the people the knowledge, awareness, and most importantly skills to take action on environmental matters.





## KEY ACTIVITIES

- Diagnostic assessment of UKB
- Stakeholder workshops and consultation on basin management
- Establish project working group
- Develop Upper Kinta Basin Management Strategy (UKBMaS) for implementation of all stakeholders
- Establish platforms for community engagement in forest and river protection and rehabilitation
- Develop Community-based Participation Plan
- Environmental education and outreach





## EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Monitoring framework in the UKBMaS adopted by all relevant key stakeholders
- Local communities will be empowered for forest and water resources protection and monitoring
- Forest and riverine habitats in the UKB conserved and functioning in the CFS region