

## MDKA Expands Renewable Energy Usage and Land Reclamation Alongside Strategic Mine Development

**Jakarta, 12 May 2026** – PT Merdeka Copper Gold Tbk (“Merdeka”, IDX: MDKA) expanded its renewable energy utilization and recorded improvements in environmental management across several operational units throughout 2025, as reported in MDKA’s 2025 Sustainability Report.

These initiatives were implemented alongside the development of several strategic projects within the Merdeka Group, including the Pani Gold Project operated by its subsidiary PT Merdeka Gold Resources Tbk (IDX: EMAS) in Gorontalo and the expansion of nickel operations in Sulawesi.

Albert Saputro, President Director of PT Merdeka Copper Gold Tbk, stated that energy transition and environmental management remain key priorities in the company’s future operational development.

“As Merdeka advances its strategic projects, we continue to promote mining operations that are more efficient, lower in emissions, and sustainable. These initiatives form part of the company’s long-term commitment to supporting responsible mining practices,” said Albert.

Merdeka currently applies two main approaches to support its energy transition efforts, the use of clean electricity through the purchase of Renewable Energy Certificates (REC) from PT PLN (Persero) and the integration of solar panels across operational sites.

The Tujuh Bukit Gold Mine, operated by PT Bumi Suksesindo, has utilized electricity sourced from hydropower plants through PLN REC purchases since 2022.

Meanwhile, the Pani Gold Project has adopted a similar scheme, enabling the operation to utilize clean electricity sourced from the Bakar Hydropower Plant effective 1 January 2026 under an REC agreement signed by a subsidiary of PT Merdeka Gold Resources Tbk with PT Management Energy Indonesia, a subsidiary of PLN.

In addition, solar panels have been integrated at the Wetar Copper Mine, Tujuh Bukit Gold Mine, and SCM Nickel Mine as supporting renewable energy sources for operations. Throughout 2025, fuel efficiency optimization at the SCM Nickel Mine also generated savings of 563,293 liters of B40 biodiesel.

All Merdeka subsidiaries now utilize B40 fuel across their operational areas as part of the company’s efforts to support the transition toward lower-emission fuels.

On the environmental management side, Merdeka reclaimed 49.60 hectares of mined land throughout 2025, bringing total cumulative reclamation to 143.56 hectares by year-end. The company’s watershed rehabilitation program also covered 6,084 hectares outside mining areas, excluding watershed rehabilitation areas that had already been handed over to the government.

All Merdeka subsidiaries have obtained ISO 14001:2015 certification for Environmental Management Systems. Merdeka also maintained its “A” rating in MSCI ESG Ratings for three consecutive years and remains the only diversified metals and mining company in Indonesia to achieve this rating.

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### About Merdeka Copper Gold

PT Merdeka Copper Gold Tbk (IDX: MDKA) is a leading Indonesian metals and mining company focused on the exploration, extraction, and processing of strategic minerals, including copper, gold, and nickel. Established in 2012 and listed as a public company in 2015, Merdeka is owned by several prominent shareholders, including PT Saratoga Investama Sedaya Tbk and PT Provident Capital Indonesia (through PT Mitra Daya Mustika and PT Suwarna Arta Mandiri). Merdeka is committed to responsible resource development, environmental stewardship, and sustainable practices across its operations.

Merdeka's diversified portfolio includes the following key assets:

- **Tujuh Bukit Gold Mine** – Located in Banyuwangi, East Java, this flagship asset is a conventional open-pit operation utilizing an oxide heap leach processing method.
- **Wetar Copper Mine** – Located on Wetar Island, this open-pit mine uses heap leach and SX/EW processes to produce copper cathode.
- **Pani Gold Mine** – Located in Pohuwato Regency, Gorontalo Province, Sulawesi, the Pani Gold Mine is operated by PT Merdeka Gold Resources Tbk and commenced gold production in February 2026. The Pani Gold Mine is one of the largest primary gold mines in Indonesia, with Ore Reserves containing **5.2 million ounces of gold** from **7.0 million ounces of Mineral Resources**.
- **Tujuh Bukit Copper Project** – Located beneath the Tujuh Bukit Gold Mine, this project represents one of the world's largest undeveloped copper-gold porphyry deposits, with estimated resources of **8.2 million tonnes of contained copper** and **27.9 million ounces of contained gold**.
- **PT Merdeka Battery Materials Tbk (IDX: MBMA)** – Operates nickel mining and smelting operations integrated with the development of a nickel industrial park in Sulawesi. MBMA aims to become a key supplier of raw materials for global electric vehicle production.

Through these assets, Merdeka Copper Gold is strategically positioned to meet the growing global demand for critical minerals essential to the clean energy transition.

The Company remains focused on operational excellence, community engagement, and creating long-term value for its stakeholders.

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