Revisiting West-Sumatra February 2019

Meeting of ALUMNI

of Economic Cooperation with West Sumatra 1969 – 2000

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Basic Frame

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| **Date** | **Activity/Place** | **Accomodation** | **Abai Siat visitor** |
| Fr, 15.2. | Arrival in Padang | Padang |  |
| Sa, 16.2. | Padang tour | Padang |  |
| Su, 17.2. | Travel to West Pasaman | West Pasaman |  |
| Mo, 18.2. | Visits in West Pasaman | West Pasaman |  |
| Tu, 19.2. | Visits in West Pasaman | West Pasaman |  |
| We, 20.2. | From West Pasaman to Bukittinggi | Bukittinggi |  |
| Th, 21.2. | From Bukittinggi to Padang | Padang |  |
| Fr, 22.2. | Departure (or not yet?) |  |  |
| **Extra Tours/Activities (A, B, C, D)** | | | |
| Fr, 22.2. | Various leisure activities | Padang | Padang to Abai Siat |
| Sa, 23.2. | Various leisure activities | Padang | Abai Siat to Padang |
| Su, 24.2. | Various leisure activities | Padang | (Abai Siat to Padang) |
| Mo, 25.2. | End of support |  |  |

Consider leaving your big suitcase in Padang and take along a small carrying case for the four-day trip to Pasaman/Bukittinggi. As we stay three days in West Pasaman, you may have done some laundry there to minimize the clothing you take along.

Within the general framework we try to arrange for some flexibility and offer some options as most of the participants may not be interested to see all places.

Please tick your favorite option in the yellow boxes! We try our best to respond to your requests. However, we are non-professionals! Don’t be disappointed.

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| **Option** | **Location and Activity** | **My/our choice** |
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| Fr, 15.02 | Arrival in Padang , |  |
|  | suggested: latest 14 hrs, consider flight delays and up to almost one hour transport from West Sumatra’s BMI airport to hotel in Padang First meeting in Padang at 18:00 (proposed hotels and meeting place to be announced later) |  |
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| Sa, 16.2. | In Padang |  |
|  | All: It is planned to organize a meeting with representatives of the Provincial Government (counterpart institutions) Time and place not yet fixed |  |
| a | Sightseeing tour Padang, Teluk Bayur, Bungus, Teluk Kabung (Chinese cemetry), (if time+weather allows: 18:40 sunset at light house) |  |
| b | Sightseeing tour Padang, walking to Air Manis, Teluk Bayur (about 2 hrs), pick-up and return to hotel, (if time+weather allows: 18:40 sunset at light house) |  |
|  | Welcome dinner with Indonesian Counterparts? | |
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| Su, 17.2. | From Padang to West Pasaman (Simpang Empat) |  |
| a | Train ride from Padang to Pariaman (9:00 – 10:36), continuing with bus  (Train tickets may be very limited, therefore, please check also another option!), sunset in Sasak? |  |
| b | from Padang to Pariaman via Lubuk Alung (the traditional route, observe changes), sunset in Sasak? |  |
| c | from Padang to Pariaman via new coastal route, sunset in Sasak? |  |
| d | Lake Maninjau option: Padang – Padang Panjang – Maninjau – Manggopoh – Simpang Empat (travel time about 6 hrs, about 2 hrs more than the other options, plus time for lunch and shooting pictures) |  |
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| Mo, 18.2. | Joint activities in West Pasaman |  |
|  | Meeting with Kabupaten Government  Visit to Sukamenanti Compound  Visit to Training Centre I, Ophir oil palm farmer organization (via Lubuk Landua, Ikan Larangan) |  |
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| Tu, 19.2. | Full Day Activities |  |
| a | Simpang Empat – Ujung Gading – Air Bangis – Aur Runding – Border to North Sumatra, return to Simpang Empat (about 6-7 hrs) |  |
| b | Simpang Empat – Ujung Gading – Air Bangis – Teluk Tapang (new Air Bangis harbor), a partly scenic route, return to Simpang Empat (about 7-8 hrs, depending on road conditions) |  |
| c | Boat trip from Kinali to Mandiangin |  |
| d | Other (your proposal) |  |
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| We, 20.2. | Travel from Simpang Empat to Bukittinggi |  |
| a | Full day travel: Via Talu –Cubadak – Panti - Rao - Silayang (hydro power) - Lubuk Sikaping - Bukittinggi |  |
|  | Half-day activities around Simpang Empat, afternoon travel to Bukittinggi either via Lubuk Sikaping or Lake Maninjau |  |
| b | Choice of half-day activities |  |
| b1 | Trip to Sasak village, passing Simpang Empat´s airport “Bandara Pusako Anak Nagari” (about 3 hrs) |  |
| b2 | Visit to Ophir Plama II, III, IV, development of new villages and replanting activities (about 3 hrs) |  |
| b3 | Meeting with BPD Bank Nagari (about 1-2 hrs) |  |
| b4 | Visit to Oil Mill (about 2 hrs) |  |
| b5 | Kapar fish hatchery (about 1 hr) |  |
| b6 | Trip to Talu, nice route, impressive to see the different rural development (about 3 hrs), a choice if you travel to Bukittinggi via Lake Maninjau |  |
| b7 | Your suggestion: |  |
|  | From West Pasaman to Bukittinggi |  |
| c | To Bukittinggi via Talu, Lubuk Sikaping (3.5 hrs) |  |
| d | To Bukittinggi via Lake Maninjau (4 hrs) |  |
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| Th, 21.2. | Bukittinggi to Padang |  |
| a | More time (until about 13 hr)in Bukittinggi, direct return to Padang via Padang Panjang, Sicincin, Lubuk Alung (about 100 km, 3 hrs) |  |
| b | Returning to Padang via Batusangkar, Lake Singkarak, Solok, Alahan Panjang (about 200 km, 6 hrs) |  |
|  | Farewell dinner |  |
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| Fr, 22.2. | Departure, end of joint program |  |
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| Extra Tours Friday 22.2. through Sunday 24.2. | | |
| **Tour A:** | Abai Siat, 2 or 3 days; Travel time from Padang to Abai Siat direct about 6 hrs  (Leaving the group earlier, e.g. from Bukittinggi, will most probably result in not participating in the farewell event on Thursday, 21.02.) |  |
| Fr, 22.2. | Choices: via Alahan Panjang, Danau Atas/Bawah to Solok (add 1 hr), Sijunjung - after closing coal mine (add 1 hr), Pulau Punjung (capital of Dharmasraya district), up to about 8 hrs; you may also visit Sitiung transmigration site development; | |
| Sa, 23.2. | Return to Padang the following day |  |
| Sa, 23.2.  Su, 24.2. | Spend one day around Abai Siat and  return to Padang third day |  |
| Sa, 23.2. Su, 24.2. | Return from Abai Siat to Padang via Muara Bungo, Sungai Penuh, Tapan and along the coast to Padang: travel time 14 hrs (2 days) |  |
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| **Tour B:** | Climbing |  |
| Fr, 22.2. Sa, 23.2.  Su, 24.2.  Mo, 25.2. | **Tour B1**: Gunung Talamau, West Pasaman  If the tour starts from Simpang Empat (West Pasaman), the participants may not participate in any other visit in West Pasaman in order to be back in time for the farewell party on Thursday, 21.2., or missing the farewell party.  Most probably. this tour cannot be done from Padang in three days. Better to add at least one day |  |

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| For the following one day activities in which you want to participate, please indicate your favourite day in the yellow box | | | | |
| **Other** | **Tours and events** | Fr  22 | Sa  23 | Su  24 |
| . | **Tour B2** Climbing Gunung Merapi |  |  |  |
|  | **Tour B3** Climbing Gunung Singgalang |  |  |  |
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|  | **Tour C**: One day round trip Padang – Lubuk Selasih – Tea plantations – Alahan Panjang – Danau Atas/Bawah – Solok – Padang (about 140 km, travel time about 5-6 hrs); for example for those who return from Bukittinggi to Padang directly |  |  |  |
|  | **Tour D**: Swimming, diving and snorkeling with Andreas on the Islands by boat |  |  |  |
|  | **Tour E**: Jambak Beach (option: short afternoon island trip from Pasir Jambak to Pulau Sauh) |  |  |  |
|  | **Tour F**: HASH afternoon |  |  |  |

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| Mo, 25.2. | Departure (or not); support by organizers end |  |  |  |

Your interests are not covered? For more clarification and information call:

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