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1 **The silvicultural, hydro-oro-logical and economic aspects of**
2 **implementation a combination of vegetative (*Falcataria moluccana-***
3 ***Vigna cylindrica*) and terrace systems combination in different soils of**
4 **different slopes lands**

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12 **Abstract:** The combination of soil and water conservation techniques between involving a combination of vegetative and mechanical
13 systems will be increase the benefits from both conservation aspect as well as economic aspect. Our research This study was aimed to
14 investigate analysing the silvicultural, hydro-oro-logical, and economic aspects of implementa combination of vegetative (*Falcataria*
15 *moluccana - Vigna cylindrica*) and terrace system in soils of different soil slopes (a steep and a very steep slope gradient). The
16 silvicultural parameters examined in this study were the ground coverage of *V. cylindrica* growth; and survival rate, stem diameter and
17 height of *F. moluccana* trees. The hydro-oro-logical parameters included potential erosion rate, erosion hazard index, erosion hazard
18 class, and erosion hazard level. The economic parameters, such as included total cost, total revenue, and benefit were analyzed profit. The
19 result showed that the survival rate of *F. moluccana*; ground coverage of *V. cylindrica*, diameter increment and height increment of *F.*
20 *Moluccana*, and ground coverage of *V. cylindrica* in the land with the steep slope (>25-45%) were 90%, 80-90%, 2.02 cm year⁻¹, and
21 1.54 m year⁻¹, and 80-90%, respectively. The potential erosion rate, erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard level
22 in this steep slope were 0.38 ton ha year⁻¹, 0.03 (low), I (very low), and very low respectively. In the steeper ground (>45%), the
23 survival rate of *F. moluccana* reached 90%, the *V. cylindrica* coverage was 70-79% and the diameter and height increment of *F.*
24 *moluccana* were 1.63 cm year⁻¹ and 1.19 m year⁻¹ respectively. The potential erosion rate was 1.81 ton ha⁻¹ year⁻¹, erosion hazard
25 index of 0.13 (low), erosion hazard class of was I (very low), and erosion hazard level of was low in the very steep slope land. The profit
26 off from *V. cylindrica* yield in planting *F. moluccana - V. cylindrica* were was Rp. 3,8,65,000.00 ha⁻¹ cropping season⁻¹ and Rp.
27 6,65,000.00 ha⁻¹ cropping season⁻¹ in steep slope and very steep slope, respectively. The application of the proposed combination of
28 vegetative and terrace system could reduce surface run off and erosion rate for in the long term, in addition to as well as providing short
29 term economic benefits for short term.

30 **Key words:** Economic, hydro-oro-logical, silvicultural, slope, terrace.

31 **Abbreviations:** DBH = diameter at breast height; cs = cropping season

32 **Running title:** Vegetative and terrace system combination

33 **INTRODUCTION**

34 The over exploitation of natural resources that which has exceeded the carrying capacity, and coupled with population
35 pressure on land resources, will lead to an increase in degraded lands area. There is a total area 78 million ha in
36 Indonesia, a total area 78 million ha area of land, which has been categorized as degraded lands. From these of which, 48
37 million ha is slightly degraded area, 23 million ha is moderately degraded area, and 7 million ha were characterized as
38 highly degraded area as slightly degraded area, degraded area, and highly degraded (ADB 2016). The degraded areas are
39 caused by biophysical, social, economical, and cultural factors (Matatula 2009). One way to increase land the quality that
40 had of degraded land is by using soil conditioners, combined with soil and water conservation techniques, organic matter
41 management and a proportional appropriate fertilization system based on soil analysis and plant requirement (Tala'ohu
42 & Al-Jabri 2008). The application of cultivation techniques in the marginal and sloping lands has to be combined with the
43 integrated environmental factors (Budiasuti 2013). The policy concept that was found to reduce erosion rate in watershed
44 and sedimentation in reservoir is terrace and crop rotation system (Mardaeni et al. 2014). Edison et al. (2012)
45 recommended vegetative land conservation technology vegetatively to conserve cultivation land (tegalan), and of
46 perennials plants in upstream area and of tegalan to and plantations in downstream area. To increasing conservation

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47 awareness, land conservation education based community proposes trainings on erosion management and soil
48 conservation, conservation education such as vegetative conservation (tree planting program) and mechanical conservation
49 (terrace), etc (Indrayati 2013).

50 The mixed cropping of sengon (*Falcataria moluccana*) and peanut (*Arachis hypogaea*) as well as jabon
51 (*Anthocephalus cadamba*) and soybeans (*Glycine max*) in different soil slopes could be implemented in different soil
52 slopes for rehabilitating and soil conserving in sloping lands, based on the growth and hydro-oro logical
53 parameters (Karyati et al. 2018; Sarminah et al. 2018). The two agroforestry systems of *F. Moluccana*-*A.hypogaea* and
54 *A. Cadamba*-*G. max* are feasible and applicable to rehabilitate and conserve the critical lands. Although planting of *G.*
55 *max* was not profitable to planted in some critical lands, the agroforestry system of *A.cadamba* and *G. max* still gave had
56 many benefits from the aspect of ecology and conservation for long terms (Karmini et al. 2017). The production, harvested
57 area, and productivity of *Vigna cylindrica* (long beans) in Indonesia in 2017 were 381.185 ton, 56.111 hectare, and 6.79
58 ton hectare⁻¹ respectively (Ministry of Agriculture Republic of Indonesia 2018; Statistics of Indonesia 2018). In East
59 Kalimantan, the production of *V. cylindrica* in 2017 was 71.456 quintal, while harvested area and productivity were
60 1.361 hectare and 52.50 quintal hectare⁻¹. For these, the productivity of *V. cylindrica* in Samarinda in 2017 was 26.86
61 quintal hectare⁻¹, resulted from the total production of 3.089 quintal and the harvested area of 115 hectare (Ministry of
62 Agriculture Republic of Indonesia 2018; Statistics of East Kalimantan Province 2018).

63 The total land area of Samarinda City of East Kalimantan Province was 71.800,00 ha, out of which land area with
64 covered by sloping class lands of less than 2% slope is (27.39%), 2-15% slope is (25.47%), 15-25% slope is (14.81%), 25-
65 40% slope is (15.67%), and more than 40% slope is (13.02%) from total area 71.800,00 ha (Statistics of East Kalimantan
66 Province 2018). The combination of vegetative and terrace techniques in soil and water conservation may be the
67 appropriate choice to rehabilitate sloping lands based on silvicultural, hydro-oro logical, and economic aspects. The
68 plantations of forestry plants is hoped to give provide silvicultural, conservation and economic values in a long term
69 program. On the other hand, in the short term, the economic benefit will be expected and provided by plantationing of
70 agricultural plants is expected to provide short term economic benefits. The objectives of this study were to investigate
71 silvicultural, hydro-oro logical, and economic aspects of implementation of a combination of vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V.*
72 *cylindrica*) and terrace systems in different soil slopes, ranging from a steep and a very steep slope gradients.

73 MATERIALS AND METHODS

74 Study area

75 This study was conducted in Educational Forest of Forestry Faculty of Mulawarman University, Lempake District,
76 Samarinda City, Province of East Kalimantan Province. The study took place for duration was six months, from January to
77 June 2018. The experimental forest covered a total area of 300 ha, and was located at 0°25'10"-0°25'24" South latitude and
78 117°14'00"-117°14'14" East longitude, in between kilometers 10 and 13 of the Samarinda-Bontang Highway,
79 Kilometers 10 and 13. Administratively, this experimental forest is situated in Tanah Merah Village, North Samarinda
80 District, Samarinda City, East Kalimantan Province administratively (KRUS 2013; KRUS 2014).

81 The study area received 211.5 mm monthly average rainfall, 27.4°C average air temperature is 27.4°C, and relative
82 humidity was 82.2% relative humidity (Karyati 2015). The average daily temperature and relative humidity inside the
83 forest ranged from 23.7°C to -30.9°C and 81.4% to 99.3% respectively. While in outside the forest, the average daily
84 temperature and relative humidity outside the forest were 25.9°C-28.8°C and 76.0%-90.0% respectively. The daily
85 average light intensity ranged from 1.08 μmol to 18.41 μmol (Karyati & Ardianto 2016). The climate of Samarinda City
86 was classified as type A climate (a quotient (Q) of 4.8 per cent) based on Schmidt-Ferguson (1951) system which is
87 characterized by highly humidity with a tropical rainforest vegetation (Karyati et al. 2016).

88 Procedures

89 Experimental procedures

90 Experiments were conducted in two 10 m x 10 m experimental plots which were located in areas with two different
91 slope classes inside the experimental forest. One of these two experimental plots had a steep slope (>25-45%) and other
92 had a very steep slope (>45%).

93 Terraces sized 2 m wide terraces were established made in each experiential plot. Terrace was also completed by ditches
94 sized 25 cm wide and 10 cm depth. Sengon (*F. moluccana*) and long beans (*V. cylindrica*) were planted on both plots. *F.*
95 *moluccana* trees were planted with a spacing of 3 m x 3 m. *V. cylindrica*, as the intercropping legumes, were
96 planted grown in between the sengon trees. Two 10 m x 3 m erosion measurement plots of 10 m x 3 m size were placed
97 in each of the two experimental plots. The growth parameters were measured once in every month, for during four
98 months period. Plants were maintained by was done by regular watering, weeding, fertilizer application, and pest
99 and plant diseases control. The harvesting was done for economic evaluation, only the long beans were harvested, but
100 not on the sengon trees. The measurement of hydro-oro logical parameters were conducted for during 27 times rain events.

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101 *Analysis of soil properties*

102 The analysis of soil physicochemical properties, such as (pH-(H₂O), pH-(KCl), C organic, total N, P, K, and soil
 103 texture,) were conducted in Laboratory of Soil Science, Tropical Forest Research Center, Mulawarman University. Soil pH
 104 was determined in distilled water and 1 N KCl in a soil to solution ratio of 1:2.5 by the glass electrode method. The C
 105 organik and total nitrogen (total N) were analyzed using Walkley & Black and Kjeldahl methods respectively. Soil P and
 106 K were analyzed using Bray 1 method.

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107 **Data analysis**

108 *Silvicultural parameters*

109 The observation and measurement of plant growth were conducted at the end of every month during for four months.
 110 The observation was carried out on both *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* plants. The parameters studied for *F. moluccana*s
 111 were plant survival rate, tree height, and stem diameter, were measured as well as for *V. cylindrica*s, ground coverage and
 112 yield was recorded.

114 *Hydro-orological parameter*

115 The measured parameters of hydro-orological parameters measured in this study were surface runoff, potential soil
 116 erosion rate, erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard level (Hammer 1981). The erosion hazard
 117 index categories and erosion hazard level classification are shown in Table 1 and Table 2, respectively. The erosion
 118 hazard index is determined as potential erosion rate (ton ha⁻¹ year⁻¹) divided by tolerable erosion rate (ton ha⁻¹ year⁻¹)
 119 (Hammer 1981):

121 **Table 1.** Erosion hazard index categories

Erosion hazard index	Category
< 1,00	Low
1,01-4,00	Moderate
4,01-10,00	High
> 10,01	Very high

123 Source: Hammer (1981)

125 **Table 2.** Erosion hazard level classification

Soil column (cm)	Erosion class				
	I	II	III	IV	V
	Erosion rate (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)				
	<15	15-<60	60-<180	180-480	>480
Deep (>90)	Very low 0	Low I	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very heavy IV
Intermediate (60-90)	Low I	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV
Shallow (30-<60)	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV
Very shallow (<30)	Heavy III	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV

127 Source: Regulation of Directorate General of Watershed Management and Social Forestry, Ministry of Forestry Republic of
 128 Indonesia (2013)

129 Note: 0=Very low; I=Low; II=Moderate; III=Heavy; IV=Very heavy.

131 *Economic analysis*

132 In this study, the economy aspect were analyzed economic aspects were to calculate cost, revenue, and profit from the
 133 application of long beans as intercropping in sengon-(long beans) agroforestry systems. Cost is calculated from price and
 134 quantity of inputs, thus revenue is the price of production yield, and meanwhile profit is revenue minus cost (Slavin
 135 2009).

136 **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

137 **Silvicultural aspects**

138 The recorded plant growth parameters of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* for the two different slope classes are
 139 summarized in Table 3. The plant growth parameters of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* combination were included to
 140 categories "moderate" to "very good" in the steep slope and very steep slope. The plant growth parameters of *F.*
 141 *moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* in vegetative and terrace combination system on the two different slope classes are

summarized in Table 3. The healthy plant and survival rate of *F. moluccana* in both different slope classes were categorized to a was "very good" (90%). The healthy plant and ground coverage of *V. cylindrica* in steep slope was better (80-89%) than those in very steep slope (70-79%). Meanwhile, the yield of *V. cylindrica* was also higher (2,500 kg ha⁻¹) in steep slope when compared to the yield in very steep slope (2,100 kg ha⁻¹).

Table 3. The plant growth parameters of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* in vegetative and terrace combination system on the two different slope classes

Plant species	Steep slope (>25-45%)				Very steep slope (>45%)			
	Healthy plants (%)	Survival rate (%)	Ground coverage (%)	Yield (kg ha ⁻¹)	Healthy plants (%)	Survival rate (%)	Ground coverage (%)	Yield (kg ha ⁻¹)
<i>F. moluccana</i>	90 (Very good)	90 (Very good)	-	-	90 (Very good)	90 (Very good)	-	-
<i>V. cylindrica</i>	80-89 (Good)	-	80-89 (Good)	2,500	70-79 (Moderate)	-	70-79 (Moderate)	2,100

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The average of *V. cylindrica* yield in this study was almost the same compares similar to the average of Samarinda's yield, but lower than those East Kalimantan and Indonesia's yield (Statistics of East Kalimantan Province 2018; Statistics of Indonesia 2018). However, this *V. cylindrica*'s yields obtained in this study was were lower than reported by Wahyu et al. (2018). Wahyu et al. (2018) reported that the productivity of *V. cylindrica* yield in Samboja Subdistrict, Kutai Kartanegara District, East Kalimantan Province were 7,010 kg ha⁻¹ and 13,640 kg ha⁻¹ from monoculture and agroforestry systems, respectively.

The monthly diameter and height increments of *F. moluccana* trees that were measured for four months are illustrated provided in Tables 4 and 5. The stem diameter and height increment of *F. moluccana* trees is faster in the slightly steep slope than those in the highly steeper slope. The average stem diameter and height increments of *F. moluccana* were 2.02 cm year⁻¹ and 1.54 m year⁻¹ in the steep slope. The average stem diameter increments of *F. moluccana* trees was and 1.63 cm year⁻¹ on the steep slope, while the average height increment was and 1.19 m year⁻¹ in very steep slope.

The average diameter increment of *F. moluccana* in *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* agroforestry system (on steep and very steep slopes) was lower compared than those in *F. moluccana* and *Arachis hypogaea* agroforestry system (on slight steep and steep slopes) as reported by Sarminah et al. (2018). On the cContrastly, the average height increment of this combination was higher than those reported by Sarminah et al. (2018). Similarly, the diameter increment of *F. moluccana* in this study are was also lower than those in agroforestry system, monoculture system, and intensive monoculture system (Swestiani and Purwaningsih 2013; Wahyudi & Panjaitan 2013). However, the average diameter increments of *F. moluccana* trees on the steep slope were higher than those planted in the conventional monoculture system (Wahyudi & Panjaitan 2013).

Table 4. *Falcataria moluccana* stem diameter increments (mm) in the two different slopes classes

Tree number	Steep slope (>25-45%)					Very steep slope (>45%)					
	D ₀	d ₁	d ₂	d ₃	d ₄	D ₀	d ₁	d ₂	d ₃	d ₄	
1	12.10	12.85	14.15	16.15	18.68	14.40	15.00	16.05	18.25	21.10	
2	9.25	10.00	11.25	12.80	15.00	6.20	6.95	7.90	9.25	11.00	
3	8.20	8.90	10.10	11.65	13.85	9.10	9.70	11.00	12.95	15.50	
4	5.10	7.80	9.05	10.60	12.50	9.70	10.20	11.25	12.75	15.10	
5	12.70	13.65	14.95	16.90	19.25	11.10	11.65	12.90	14.85	17.35	
6	8.60	9.55	11.00	12.70	14.75	6.75	7.35	8.30	9.60	11.25	
7	5.30	8.00	9.20	10.90	13.00	6.60	7.30	8.40	9.85	11.70	
8	7.40	8.15	9.40	11.05	13.00	6.40	7.00	7.95	9.40	11.15	
9	10.30	10.90	12.05	13.55	15.50	8.40	9.00	9.95	11.30	13.00	
10	10.10	10.80	12.20	13.90	16.10	10.40	11.10	12.15	14.05	16.45	
11	5.70	8.50	9.75	11.40	13.55	8.20	8.85	9.80	11.15	12.90	
12	10.30	11.20	12.45	14.20	16.60	9.10	10.00	11.50	13.30	15.65	
13	11.40	12.10	13.40	15.55	18.20	7.10	7.75	8.80	10.30	12.05	
14	6.30	9.10	10.20	12.05	14.15	10.35	11.00	12.20	13.70	15.65	
15	10.80	11.50	12.90	14.95	17.55	7.25	8.00	9.10	10.50	12.20	
16	4.15	8.75	9.75	11.55	13.65	14.40	15.15	16.50	18.29	20.19	
Mean	8.61	10.11	11.36	13.12	15.33	9.09	9.75	10.86	12.47	14.52	
SD	2.69	1.81	1.86	1.99	2.17	2.58	2.58	2.66	2.88	3.16	
Annual diameter increment	20.18 mm year ⁻¹ = 2.02 cm year ⁻¹					Annual diameter increment	16.27 mm year ⁻¹ = 1.63 cm year ⁻¹				

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Note: D₀ = initial stem diameter (diameter measurement at the beginning of experiment); d₁, d₂, d₃, d₄ = diameter at the end of the first, second, third, and fourth month after planting; SD=Standard Deviation

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Table 5. *F. moluccana* height increments (cm) in the two different slopes

Tree number	Steep slope (>25-45%)					Very steep slope (>45%)				
	H ₀	h ₁	h ₂	h ₃	h ₄	H ₀	h ₁	h ₂	h ₃	h ₄
1	153	177	189	205	213	176	197	205	210	220
2	144	157	182	194	206	160	173	182	201	205
3	102	106	111	117	125	143	153	157	164	174
4	176	188	196	202	212	124	136	148	155	166
5	165	183	204	212	227	146	163	166	171	176
6	157	172	194	204	212	123	138	145	158	161
7	167	179	187	200	209	145	157	167	176	188
8	146	167	183	192	204	151	165	178	182	194
9	182	205	219	231	242	146	162	166	175	181
10	184	197	208	219	231	164	177	186	199	206
11	116	131	143	159	177	173	185	189	194	208
12	119	136	148	163	176	152	163	169	175	184
13	159	173	183	195	208	119	134	142	154	162
14	168	184	194	212	220	169	186	190	202	214
15	169	185	198	211	221	134	149	158	167	178
16	137	150	163	172	181	101	113	126	136	144
Mean	153	168	181	193	204	145	159	167	176	185
SD	24,10	26,21	27,59	28,10	28,03	21,03	22,03	20,79	20,69	21,48
Annual height increment	153.75 cm year ⁻¹ = 1.54 m year ⁻¹					Annual height increment 119.1 cm year ⁻¹ = 1.19 m year ⁻¹				

179 Note: H₀ = initial tree height (height measurement at the beginning of experiment); h₁, h₂, h₃, h₄ = height at the end of the first, second,
180 third, and fourth month after planting; SD=Standard Deviation.

181 **Hydro-orological aspects**

182 The hydro-orological aspects could were determined by surface runoff and eroded soil mass. The important factors that
183 affecting are rainfall, soil erodibility, length and gradient slope, cover crop, and management practice. Table 6 below
184 presents data regarding rainfall, eroded soil mass, and surface runoff volume in vegetative (*F. moluccana-V.cylindrica*)
185 and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes. The result showed that the higher rainfall will lead the
186 higher results in surface runoff and eroded soil mass. Several factors such as rainfall, slope, cover crop, and management
187 practices were have suspected influence on the soil erosion in the study sites. These factors influence soil erosion together.
188 The length and gradient of slope influences soil erosion, which this process was accelerated in the sloping lands. In the
189 steeper slope lands, the rainfall tend to transport the soil particles into lower area faster. It will increase surface runoff and
190 eroded soil mass as well erosion rate. The increasing slope and rain intensity lead have increased the runoff rate from 20%
191 to 90% (Chaplot & LeBissonnais 2000).

192 The implementation of vegetative and terrace system was hoped to reduce the potential soil erosion. Generally, the best
193 recommendation offer soil and water conservation technology was to combine the vegetative and mechanical systems.
194 Because the application of this such combinations are usually give the best result to for reducing soil erosion and
195 suppress decreasing conservation cost in long term as well as increasing short term economical benefits for short term.
196 The *F. moluccana* trees and *V. cylindrica* play a role as cover crop in the sloping lands that could avoid destructive
197 power effect of rainfall. In addition, the application of terrace system is hoped could reduce surface runoff and increase
198 water infiltration into the deeper soils. Terrace is used to change the slope geometry which become more flatter slope. It is
199 needed in order to improve sloping land stability (Purnamasari et al. 2014).

200 The erosion rate is also affected by soil properties, especially soil texture. The soil texture in the study site is silty loam
201 that usually support the greatest diversity of plant life. The silt tends to be loaded with the soluble nutrients required by
202 plants requirement. The silt soils is also has the high content of organic matter. The soil in the study plots was categorized
203 as acidic soil, indicated by the pH (H₂O) and pH (KCl) values of lower than 5 and the low content of organic C, total N, P,
204 and K. Fine soil grains is usually tend to have high erosion risk because they do not form a stable soil structures easily
205 because of the fragile cohesion between their particles (A'Yunin 2008).

207 **Table 6.** Rainfall, surface runoff volume, and eroded soil mass in vegetative (*F. moluccana-V.cylindrica*) and terrace combination
208 system in the two different slope classes
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Rain event	Rainfall (mm)	Surface runoff (liter)		Eroded soil mass (gram/30 m ²)	
		Steep slope (>25-45%)	Very steep slope (>45%)	Steep slope (>25-45%)	Very steep slope (>45%)
1	74	46.74	43.40	128.76	111.59
2	37	12.21	46.74	39.93	631.4
3	14	7.87	46.74	13.51	149.74

Rain event	Rainfall (mm)	Surface runoff (liter)		Eroded soil mass (gram/30 m ²)	
		Steep slope (>25-45%)	Very steep slope (>45%)	Steep slope (>25-45%)	Very steep slope (>45%)
4	20	7.87	46.74	9.22	164.05
5	41	46.74	46.26	119.22	348.13
6	21	14.95	47.21	47.72	214.6
7	36	46.74	46.74	62.95	147.84
8	22	15.74	46.74	32.75	115.41
9	7	4.72	7.79	4.96	25.43
10	15	6.30	46.74	11.06	97.29
11	13	6.23	15.74	6.49	105.87
12	22	23.37	47.21	14.31	75.35
13	31	46.74	47.21	32.43	61.04
14	49	11.8	46.74	18.12	96.33
15	10	6.3	47.21	2.8	57.23
16	10	6.3	17.92	2.03	15.36
17	17	7.87	46.74	2.07	22.89
18	5	8.66	30.69	0.7	24.18
19	9	4.72	31.48	0.38	8.9
20	14	7.87	46.74	0.16	15.26
21	28	7.87	46.74	2.07	34.34
22	41	14.16	47.21	1.14	14.31
23	42	37.77	47.21	3.05	35.29
24	21	11.02	47.21	1.11	25.75
25	27	11.80	46.74	0.72	16.21
26	10	7.87	47.21	0.16	11.45
27	45	15.74	47.21	0.32	8.58
Total	681	445.92	1132.26	558.13	2633.81
Average	25	16.52	41.94	20.67	97.55

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The evaluation of erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard level could be used as an indicator to determine the erosion status in the area. The hydro-oro logical parameters recorded in this study are shown in Table 7. The tolerable erosion rate for sloping lands is 25 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ at a soil depth of more than 100 cm (Rahim 1995). The erosion rate of both steep slope and very steep slope plots were less than 15 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ while the soil depth in the plot was more than 90 cm. The potential erosion rates in steep slope and very steep slope in studied plots were 0.38 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ and 1.31 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ respectively. The erosion hazard index of was 0.03 (low) and 0.13 (low) were evaluated infor steep slope and very steep slope plots, respectively. The erosion hazard classes (class I) and erosion hazard level in both studied slopes were classified belong to "very low" category.

The hydro-oro logical parameters in vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system on the two different slope classes are shown in Table 7. The soil erosion rates recorded of agroforestry system of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* on different slope lands in the current study site was lower than the values reported ose application of for some other agroforestry systems (Karyati et al. 2018; Sarminah et al. 2018; Sumarno et al. 2011) as presented in Table 8. This result implied that the combination of vegetative (*F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica*) and terrace system could be effectively implemented in the different sloping lands.

Table 7. The hydro-oro logical parameters in vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes

Slope gradient	Surface runoff rate (m ³ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Potential erosion rate (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Tolerable erosion rate (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Erosion hazard index	Erosion hazard class	Erosion hazard level
>25-45%	305.77	0.38	25 ¹⁾	0.03 (Low)	I (Very low)	Very low
>45%	776.41	1.81	25 ¹⁾	0.13 (Low)	I (Very low)	Very low

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¹⁾Soil depth in the study plot was >100 cm and the tolerable erosion rate for hills or slope lands was 25 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ (Rahim 1995)

Table 8. The Comparison of soil erosion reported in the current study with earlier reports for other in the agroforestry plantation systems

Planting system	Erosion (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Location	Researcher (year)
Soil and water conservation technique and application of agroforestry system	190.08	Ngadipiro Village, Nguntoronadi Sub-district, Wonogiri District, Central Java, Indonesia	Sumarno et al. (2011)
Agroforestry system of <i>A. cadamba</i> and <i>Glycine</i>		East Kalimantan, Indonesia	Karyati et al. (2018)

<i>max</i>	32.13		
Slope of >15-25%	52.51		
Slope of >25-45%			
Agroforestry system of <i>F. moluccana</i> and <i>A. hypogaea</i>		East Kalimantan, Indonesia	Sarminah et al. (2018)
Slope of >15-25%	20.05		
Slope of >25-45%	45.50		
Agroforestry system of <i>F. moluccana</i> and <i>V. cylindrica</i>		East Kalimantan, Indonesia	<u>This Current study</u>
Slope of >15-25%	0.38		
Slope of >25-45%	1.81		

234 Economic aspects

235 The implementation of vegetative (*F. moluccana-V. cylindrica*) and terrace system in different slope classes
 236 ~~needs involves~~ the cost expenditure to buy planting and other materials, depreciation of equipments, and wages of labor.
 237 ~~Besides cost expenditure. This~~ On the other hand, implementation of this method gives revenue and profit, especially from
 238 *V. cylindrica* yield. Table 9 shows economic analysis of *V. cylindrica* as intercropping in vegetative (*F. moluccana-*
 239 *V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes. The material cost ~~was used to involve~~
 240 were for buying *F. moluccana* seedlings, *V. cylindrica* seeds, NPK fertilizer, pesticides, plastic strings, gunny sacks,
 241 and fertilizer ~~from animal. Fertilizer is given~~ to increase soil fertility. The profit of *F. moluccana-V. cylindrica* plantation
 242 in steep slope was Rp 3,865,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹ and in very steep slope was Rp 6,650,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹. This profit was ~~resulted~~
 243 from selling the yield from *V. cylindrica* yield.

244 The profit ~~off from~~ *V. cylindrica* yield in steep slope was higher than *A. hypogaea* yield on agroforestry system of *F.*
 245 *moluccana-A. hypogaea* as reported by Karmini et al. (2017). The total cost, total revenue, and profit ~~on related to~~
 246 agroforestry system of *F. moluccana* and *A. hypogaea* agroforestry system ~~were~~ Rp 10,985,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, Rp 14,000,000
 247 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹ and Rp 3,015,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹. However, ~~implementation of growing *V. cylindrica* as intercropping in vegetative (*F.*~~
 248 *moluccana-V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes ~~lands is highly still give~~
 249 beneficial when compared to growing *G. max* yield on agroforestry system *A. Cadamba - G. Max* agroforestry system.
 250 Karmini et al. (2017) ~~analyzed reported that growing *G. max* in *A. Cadamba - G. max* agroforestry system that~~
 251 the involved total cost of Rp 11,019,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, total revenue ~~of was~~ Rp 3,500,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, and the profit ~~of was~~ Rp (-
 252)7,519,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹ ~~are from *G. max* yield on agroforestry system *A. cadamba - G. max*. The application vegetative (*F.*~~
 253 *moluccana-V. cylindrica*) and terrace system in different slope classes could add economic values for short term. For long
 254 term, *F. moluccana* is also increase added value, especially soil and water conservation.

256 **Table 9.** Economic analysis of growing *V. cylindrica* as intercropping in vegetative (*F. Moluccana - V. cylindrica*) and terrace
 257 combination system in the two different slope classes
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Sl. No.	Cost/Item/activity	Quantity	Unit	Price (Rp)	Total (Rp. ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹)
Production cost					
Material cost					
1	<i>F. moluccana</i> seedlings	1350.00	units ha ⁻¹	3,000.00	4,050,000.00
2	<i>V. cylindrica</i> seeds	350.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	15,000.00	5,250,000.00
3	NPK fertilizer	100.00	kg ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	15,000.00	1,500,000.00
4	Pesticides	25.00	kg ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	30,000.00	750,000.00
5	Plastic strings	1.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	30,000.00	30,000.00
6	Gunny sacks	20.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	2,000.00	40,000.00
7	Fertilizer from animal	50.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	25,000.00	1,250,000.00
	Sub total				12,870,000.00
Depreciation cost					
8	Hoe	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	125,000.00	20,833.33
9	Chopper	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	100,000.00	16,666.67
10	Sickle	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	60,000.00	10,000.00
11	Sprayer	1.00	units ha ⁻¹	350,000.00	17,500.00
	Sub total				65,000.00
Labor cost					
12	Land preparation	7.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	700,000.00
13	Planting	6.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	600,000.00

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14	Fertilizing	4,00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100.000.00	400.000.00
15	Weeding	5,00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100.000.00	500.000.00
16	Pest and diseases controlling	4,00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100.000.00	400.000.00
17	Harvesting	6,00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100.000.00	600.000.00
	Sub total				3,200,000.00
Total cost					16,135,000.00
Total revenue from <i>V. cylindrica</i>					
	Steep slope plot (>25-45%)	2,500.00	kg ha ⁻¹	8,000.00	20,000,000.00
	Very steep slope plot (>45%)	2,100.00	kg ha ⁻¹	8,000.00	16,800,000.00
Profit					
					3,8,65,000.00
					6,65,000.00

Note: cs = cropping season

The implementation of a combination of vegetative and terrace system combination in for soil and water conservation can be applied in the different slope lands. This application practice will give be beneficial based on silvicultural, hydro-ological, and economic aspects. The combination vegetative and civil technique still shows good growth paramaters. The hydro-ological parameters in this implementation is hoped can reduce surface runoff rate and erosion rate. The short tem economic benefit will be givenis provided by agricultural yield as from the cropping plant in the short term. In long term, this application practice is beneficial in terms of will give soil and water conservation and environment aspects. The important information of this study on silvicultural, hydro-ological; and economic aspects could be used for basic recommendation in relation to alternative agroforestry systems for in small scale, and soil conservation programs for in a wide scale. The basic data could be used as consideration by for all stakeholders, including farmers, foresters, private parties and the government/governmental agencies in terms of concerned with land management and soil conservation activities.

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1 **The silvicultural, hydro-oro-logical and economic aspects of**
2 **implementation a combination of –vegetative (*Falcataria moluccana-***
3 ***Vigna cylindrica*) and terrace systems combination in different soils of**
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12 **Abstract:** The combination of soil and water conservation techniques between involving a combination of –vegetative and mechanical
13 systems will be increase the benefits from both consevation aspect as well as economic aspect. Our research This study was aimed to
14 investigate analysing the silvicultural, hydro-oro-logical, and economic aspects of implementa combination of vegetative (*Falcataria*
15 *moluccana - Vigna cylindrica*) and terrace system in soils of different soil slopes (a steep and a very steep slope gradient). The
16 silvicultural parameters examined in this study were the ground coverage of *V. cylindrica* growth; and survival rate, stem diameter and
17 height of *F. moluccana* trees. The hydro-oro-logical parameters included potential erosion rate, erosion hazard index, erosion hazard
18 class, and erosion hazard level. The economic parameters, such as included total cost, total revenue, and benefit were analyzed profit. The
19 result showed that the survival rate of *F. moluccana*; ground coverage of *V. cylindrica*, diameter increment and height increment of *F.*
20 *moluccana*, and ground coverage of *V. cylindrica* in the land with the steep slope (>25-45%) wereas 90%, 80-90%, 2.02 cm year⁻¹,
21 and 1.54 m year⁻¹, and 80-90%, respectively. The potential erosion rate, erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard
22 level in this steep slope wereas 0.38 ton ha year⁻¹, 0.03 (low), I (very low), and very low, respectively. In the steeper ground (>45%), the
23 survival rate of *F. moluccana* reached 90%, the *V. cylindrica* coverage was 70-79% and the diameter and height increment of *F.*
24 *moluccana* wereas 1.63 cm year⁻¹ and 1.19 m year⁻¹, respectively. The potential erosion rate was 1.81 ton ha⁻¹ year⁻¹, erosion hazard
25 index of 0.13 (low), erosion hazard class of was I (very low), and erosion hazard level of was low in the very steep slope land. The profit
26 offrom *V. cylindrica* yield in planting *F. moluccana - V. cylindrica* werewas Rp. 3,8,65,000.00 ha⁻¹ cropping season⁻¹ and Rp.
27 6,65,000.00 ha⁻¹ cropping season⁻¹ in steep slope and very steep slope, respectively. The application of the proposed combination of
28 vegetative and terrace system could reduce surface run off and erosion rate forin the long term, in addition to as well as providing short
29 term economic benefits for short term.

30 **Key words:** Economic, hydro-oro-logical, silvicultural, slope, terrace.

31 **Abbreviations:** DBH = diameter at breast height; cs = cropping season

32 **Running title:** Vegetative and terrace system combination

33 **INTRODUCTION**

34 The over exploitation of natural resources thatwhich has exceeded the carrying capacity, andcoupled with population
35 pressure toon land resources, will lead to an increase in degraded lands area. There is a total area 78 million ha in
36 Indonesia, a total area 78 million ha area of land, whas been catagorized as degraded lands. From theseof which, 48
37 million ha is slightly degraded area, 23 million ha is moderately degraded area, and 7 million ha were characterized
38 highly degraded area as slightly degraded area, degraded area, and highly degraded (ADB 2016). The degraded areas are
39 caused by biophysical, social, economical, and cultural factors (Matatula 2009). One way to increase landthe quality that
40 hadof degraded land is by using soil conditioner, combined with soil and water conservation techniques, organic matter
41 management and, a proporsional appropriate fertilization system based on soil analysis and plant requirement (Tala'ohu
42 & Al-Jabri 2008). The application of cultivation techniques in the marginal and sloping lands has to be combined with the
43 integrated environmental factors (Budiasuti 2013). The policy concept that was found to reduce erosion rate in watershed
44 and sedimentation in reservoir is terrace and crop rotation system (Mardaeni et al. 2014). Edison et al. (2012)
45 recommended vegetative land conservation technology vegetatively to conserve cultivation land (tegalan), and of
46 perennials plants in upstream area andof tegalan to and plantations in downstream area. To increasinge conservation

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47 awareness, land conservation education based community proposes trainings on erosion management and soil
48 conservation, conservation education such as vegetative conservation (tree planting program) and mechanical conservation
49 (terrace), etc (Indrayati 2013).

50 The mixed cropping of sengon (*Falcataria moluccana*) and peanut (*Arachis hypogaea*) as well as jabon
51 (*Anthocephalus cadamba*) and soybeans (*Glycine max*) in different soil slopes could be implemented in different soil
52 slopes for rehabilitating and soil conservation in sloping lands, based on the growth and hydro-oro-logical
53 parameters (Karyati et al. 2018; Sarminah et al. 2018). These two agroforestry systems of *F. moluccana* - *A. hypogaea*
54 and *A. cadamba* - *G. max* are feasible and applicable to rehabilitate and conserve the critical lands. Although planting of
55 *G. max* was not profitable to planted in some critical lands, the agroforestry system of *A. cadamba* and *G. max* still
56 gave had many benefits from the aspect of ecology and conservation for long terms (Karmini et al. 2017). The production,
57 harvested area, and productivity of *Vigna cylindrica* (long beans) in Indonesia in 2017 were 381,185 ton, 56,111
58 hectare, and 6.79 ton hectare⁻¹, respectively (Ministry of Agriculture Republic of Indonesia 2018; Statistics of Indonesia
59 2018). In East Kalimantan, the production of *V. cylindrica* in 2017 was 71,456 quintal, while harvested area and
60 productivity were 1,361 hectare and 52.50 quintal hectare⁻¹. For these, the productivity of *V. cylindrica* in Samarinda
61 in 2017 was 26.86 quintal hectare⁻¹, resulted from the total production of 3,089 quintal and the harvested area of 115
62 hectare (Ministry of Agriculture Republic of Indonesia 2018; Statistics of East Kalimantan Province 2018).

63 The total land area of Samarinda City of East Kalimantan Province was 71,800.00 ha, out of which land area with
64 covered by sloping class lands of less than 2% slope is (27.39%), 2-15% slope is (25.47%), 15-25% slope is (14.81%), 25-
65 40% slope is (15.67%), and more than 40% slope is (13.02%) from total area 71,800.00 ha (Statistics of East
66 Kalimantan Province 2018). The combination of vegetative and terrace techniques in soil and water conservation may
67 be the appropriate choice to rehabilitate sloping lands based on silvicultural, hydro-oro-logical, and economic aspects. The
68 plantation of forestry plants is hoped to give provide silvicultural, conservation and economic values in a long term
69 program. On the other hand, in the short term, the economic benefit will be expected and provided by plantation of
70 agricultural plants is expected to provide short term economic benefits. The objectives of this study were to investigate
71 silvicultural, hydro-oro-logical, and economic aspects of implementation of a combination of vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V.*
72 *cylindrica*) and terrace systems in different soil slopes, ranging from a steep and a very steep slope gradients.

73 MATERIALS AND METHODS

74 Study area

75 This study was conducted in Educational Forest of Forestry Faculty of Mulawarman University, Lempake District,
76 Samarinda City, Province of East Kalimantan Province. The study took place for duration was six months, from January to
77 June 2018. The experimental forest covered a total area of 300 ha, and was located at 0°25'10"-0°25'24" South latitude and
78 117°14'00"-117°14'14" East longitude, in between kilometers 10 and 13 of the Samarinda-Bontang Highway,
79 Kilometers 10 and 13. Administratively, this experimental forest is situated in Tanah Merah Village, North Samarinda
80 District, Samarinda City, East Kalimantan Province administratively (KRUS 2013; KRUS 2014).

81 The study area received 211.5 mm monthly average rainfall, 27.4°C average air temperature is 27.4°C, and relative
82 humidity was 82.2% relative humidity (Karyati 2015). The average daily temperature and relative humidity inside the
83 forest ranged from 23.7°C to 30.9°C and 81.4% to 99.3%, respectively. While in outside the forest, the average daily
84 temperature and relative humidity outside the forest were 25.9°C-28.8°C and 76.0%-90.0%, respectively. The daily
85 average light intensity ranged from 1.08 μmol to 18.41 μmol (Karyati & Ardianto 2016). The climate of Samarinda City
86 was classified as type A climate (a quotient (Q) of 4.8 per cent) based on Schmidt-Ferguson (1951) system which is
87 characterized by highly humidity with a tropical rainforest vegetation (Karyati et al. 2016).

88 Procedures

89 Experimental procedures

90 Experiments were conducted in two 10 m x 10 m experimental plots which were located in areas with two different
91 slope classes inside the experimental forest. One of these two experimental plots had a steep slope (>25-45%) and other
92 had a very steep slope (>45%).

93 Terraces sized 2 m wide terraces were established made in each experiential plot. Terrace was also completed by ditches
94 sized 25 cm wide and 10 cm depth. Sengon (*F. moluccana*) and long beans (*V. cylindrica*) were planted on both plots. *F.*
95 *moluccana* trees were planted with a spacing of 3 m x 3 m. *V. cylindrica*, as the intercropping legumes, were
96 planted grown in between the sengon trees. Two 10 m x 3 m erosion measurement plots of 10 m x 3 m size were placed
97 in each of the two experimental plots. The growth parameters were measured once in every month, for during four
98 months period. Plants were maintained by was done by regular watering, weeding, fertilizer application, and pest
99 and plant diseases control. The harvesting was done for economic evaluation, only the long beans were harvested, but
100 not on the sengon trees. The measurement of hydro-oro-logical parameters were conducted for during 27 times rain events.

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101 *Analysis of soil properties*

102 The analysis of soil physicochemical properties, such as pH (H₂O), pH (KCl), C organic, total N, P, K, and soil
103 texture, were conducted in Laboratory of Soil Science, Tropical Forest Research Center, Mulawarman University. Soil pH
104 was determined in distilled water and 1 N KCl in a soil to solution ratio of 1:2.5 by the glass electrode method. The C
105 organik and total nitrogen (total N) were analyzed using Walkley & Black method (1934) and Kjeldahl method (1883),
106 respectively. Soil P and K were analyzed using Bray 1 method.

107 **Data analysis**

108 *Silvicultural parameters*

109 The observation and measurement of plant growth were conducted at the end of every month during for four months.
110 The observation was carried out on both *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* plants. The parameters studied for *F. moluccana*
111 were plant survival rate, tree height, and stem diameter. were measured as well as for *V. cylindrica*, ground coverage
112 and yield was recorded. The plant health was measured for both *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica*. A healthy plant was
113 characterized as a plant with a normal height, fresh green leaves, normal stem, and no disease/pests and weed (Ministry of
114 Forestry Republic of Indonesia 2009).

116 *Hydro-oroological parameter*

117 The measured parameters of hydro-oroological parameters measured in this study were surface runoff, potential soil
118 erosion rate, erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard level (Hammer 1981). The erosion hazard
119 index categories and erosion hazard level classification are shown in Table 1 and Table 2, respectively. The erosion
120 hazard index is determined as potential erosion rate (ton ha⁻¹ year⁻¹) divided by tolerable erosion rate (ton ha⁻¹ year⁻¹)
121 (Hammer 1981):

122 **Table 1.** Erosion hazard index categories

Erosion hazard index	Category
< 1,00	Low
1,01-4,00	Moderate
4,01-10,00	High
> 10,01	Very high

123 Source: Hammer (1981)

124 **Table 2.** Erosion hazard level classification

Soil column (cm)	Erosion class				
	I	II	III	IV	V
	Erosion rate (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)				
	<15	15-<60	60-<180	180-480	>480
Deep (>90)	Very low 0	Low I	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very heavy IV
Intermediate (60-90)	Low I	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV
Shallow (30-<60)	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV
Very shallow (<30)	Heavy III	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV

125 Source: Regulation of Directorate General of Watershed Management and Social Forestry, Ministry of Forestry Republic of
126 Indonesia (2013)

127 Note: 0=Very low; I=Low; II=Moderate; III=Heavy; IV=Very heavy.

128 *Economic analysis*

129 In this study, the economy aspect were analyzed economic aspects were to calculate cost, revenue, and profit from the
130 application of long beans as intercropping in sengon- (long beans) agroforestry systems. Cost is calculated from price and
131 quantity of inputs, thus revenue is the price of production yield, and meanwhile profit is revenue minus cost (Slavin
132 2009).

133 **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

134 **Silvicultural aspects**

135 The recorded plant growth parameters of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* for the two different slope classes are
136 summarized in Table 3. The plant growth parameters of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* combination were included to

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categories “moderate” to “very good” in the steep slope and very steep slope. The plant growth parameters of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* in vegetative and terrace combination system on the two different slope classes are summarized in Table 3. The health plant and survival rate of *F. moluccana* in both different slope classes were categorized to a was “very good” (90%). The healthy plant and ground coverage of *V. cylindrica* in steep slope was better (80-89%) than those in very steep slope (70-79%). Meanwhile, the yield of *V. cylindrica* was also higher (2,500 kg ha⁻¹) in steep slope when compared to the yield in very steep slope (2,100 kg ha⁻¹).

Table 3. The plant growth parameters of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* in vegetative and terrace combination system on the two different slope classes

Plant species	Steep slope (>25-45%)				Very steep slope (>45%)			
	Healthy plants (%)	Survival rate (%)	Ground coverage (%)	Yield (kg ha ⁻¹)	Healthy plants (%)	Survival rate (%)	Ground coverage (%)	Yield (kg ha ⁻¹)
<i>F. moluccana</i>	90 (Very good)	90 (Very good)	-	-	90 (Very good)	90 (Very good)	-	-
<i>V. cylindrica</i>	80-89 (Good)	-	80-89 (Good)	2,500	70-79 (Moderate)	-	70-79 (Moderate)	2,100

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The average of *V. cylindrica* yield in this study was almost the same compares similar to the average of Samarinda’s yield, but lower than those East Kalimantan and Indonesia’s yield (Statistics of East Kalimantan Province 2018; Statistics of Indonesia 2018). However, this *V. cylindrica*’s yields obtained in this study was were lower than reported by Wahyu et al. (2018). Wahyu et al. (2018) reported that the productivity of *V. cylindrica* yield in Samboja Subdistrict, Kutai Kartanegara District, East Kalimantan Province were 7,010 kg ha⁻¹ and 13,640 kg ha⁻¹ from monoculture and agroforestry systems, respectively.

The monthly diameter and height increments of *F. moluccana* trees, that were measured for four months, are illustrated provided in Tables 4 and 5. The stem diameter and height increment of *F. moluccana* trees is faster in the slightly steep slope than those in the highly steeper slope. The average stem diameter and height increments of *F. moluccana* were 2.02 cm year⁻¹ and 1.54 m year⁻¹ in the steep slopes. The average stem diameter increments of *F. moluccana* trees was and 1.63 cm year⁻¹ on the steep slope, while the average height increment was and 1.19 m year⁻¹, in very steep slope.

The average diameter increment of *F. moluccana* in *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* agroforestry system (on steep and very steep slopes) was lower compared than those in *F. moluccana* and *Arachis hypogaea* agroforestry system (on slight steep and steep slopes) as reported by Sarminah et al. (2018). On the cContrastly, the average height increment of this combination was higher than those reported by Sarminah et al. (2018). Similarly, the diameter increment of *F. moluccana* in this study are was also lower than those in agroforestry system, monoculture system, and intensive monoculture system (Swestiani and Purwaningsih 2013; Wahyudi & Panjaitan 2013). However, the average diameter increments of *F. moluccana* trees on the steep slope were higher than those planted in the conventional monoculture system (Wahyudi & Panjaitan 2013).

Table 4. *Falcataria moluccana* stem diameter increments (mm) in the two different slopes classes

Tree number	Steep slope (>25-45%)					Very steep slope (>45%)				
	D ₀	d ₁	d ₂	d ₃	d ₄	D ₀	d ₁	d ₂	d ₃	d ₄
1	12.10	12.85	14.15	16.15	18.68	14.40	15.00	16.05	18.25	21.10
2	9.25	10.00	11.25	12.80	15.00	6.20	6.95	7.90	9.25	11.00
3	8.20	8.90	10.10	11.65	13.85	9.10	9.70	11.00	12.95	15.50
4	5.10	7.80	9.05	10.60	12.50	9.70	10.20	11.25	12.75	15.10
5	12.70	13.65	14.95	16.90	19.25	11.10	11.65	12.90	14.85	17.35
6	8.60	9.55	11.00	12.70	14.75	6.75	7.35	8.30	9.60	11.25
7	5.30	8.00	9.20	10.90	13.00	6.60	7.30	8.40	9.85	11.70
8	7.40	8.15	9.40	11.05	13.00	6.40	7.00	7.95	9.40	11.15
9	10.30	10.90	12.05	13.55	15.50	8.40	9.00	9.95	11.30	13.00
10	10.10	10.80	12.20	13.90	16.10	10.40	11.10	12.15	14.05	16.45
11	5.70	8.50	9.75	11.40	13.55	8.20	8.85	9.80	11.15	12.90
12	10.30	11.20	12.45	14.20	16.60	9.10	10.00	11.50	13.30	15.65
13	11.40	12.10	13.40	15.55	18.20	7.10	7.75	8.80	10.30	12.05
14	6.30	9.10	10.20	12.05	14.15	10.35	11.00	12.20	13.70	15.65
15	10.80	11.50	12.90	14.95	17.55	7.25	8.00	9.10	10.50	12.20
16	4.15	8.75	9.75	11.55	13.65	14.40	15.15	16.50	18.29	20.19
Mean	8.61	10.11	11.36	13.12	15.33	9.09	9.75	10.86	12.47	14.52
SD	2.69	1.81	1.86	1.99	2.17	2.58	2.58	2.66	2.88	3.16

Annual diameter increment 20.18 mm year⁻¹ = 2.02 cm year⁻¹ Annual diameter increment 16.27 mm year⁻¹ = 1.63 cm year⁻¹

Note: D₀ = initial stem diameter (diameter measurement at the beginning of experiment); d₁, d₂, d₃, d₄ = diameter at the end of the first, second, third, and fourth month after planting; SD=Standard Deviation

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Table 5. *F. moluccana* height increments (cm) in the two different slopes

Tree number	Steep slope (>25-45%)					Very steep slope (>45%)				
	H ₀	h ₁	h ₂	h ₃	h ₄	H ₀	h ₁	h ₂	h ₃	h ₄
1	153	177	189	205	213	176	197	205	210	220
2	144	157	182	194	206	160	173	182	201	205
3	102	106	111	117	125	143	153	157	164	174
4	176	188	196	202	212	124	136	148	155	166
5	165	183	204	212	227	146	163	166	171	176
6	157	172	194	204	212	123	138	145	158	161
7	167	179	187	200	209	145	157	167	176	188
8	146	167	183	192	204	151	165	178	182	194
9	182	205	219	231	242	146	162	166	175	181
10	184	197	208	219	231	164	177	186	199	206
11	116	131	143	159	177	173	185	189	194	208
12	119	136	148	163	176	152	163	169	175	184
13	159	173	183	195	208	119	134	142	154	162
14	168	184	194	212	220	169	186	190	202	214
15	169	185	198	211	221	134	149	158	167	178
16	137	150	163	172	181	101	113	126	136	144
Mean	153	168	181	193	204	145	159	167	176	185
SD	24,10	26,21	27,59	28,10	28,03	21,03	22,03	20,79	20,69	21,48
Annual height increment	153.75 cm year ⁻¹ = 1.54 m year ⁻¹					Annual height increment 119.1 cm year ⁻¹ = 1.19 m year ⁻¹				

Note: H₀ = initial tree height (height measurement at the beginning of experiment); h₁, h₂, h₃, h₄ = height at the end of the first, second, third, and fourth month after planting; SD=Standard Deviation.

Hydro-oroological aspects

The hydro-oroological aspects ~~were~~ determined by surface runoff and eroded soil mass. ~~The important factors that affecting are rainfall, soil erodibility, length and gradient slope, cover crop, and management practice.~~ Table 6 below presents ~~data regarding~~ rainfall, eroded soil mass, and surface runoff volume in vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V.cylindrica*) and terrace combination system ~~in~~ the two different slope classes. The result showed ~~that~~ the higher rainfall ~~will lead the higher results in~~ surface runoff and eroded soil mass. Several factors such as rainfall, slope, cover crop, and management practice ~~were have~~ suspected influence ~~on the~~ soil erosion in the study site. ~~These factors influence soil erosion together.~~ The length and gradient of slope influences soil erosion, ~~which this process was accelerated in the sloping lands.~~ In the steeper slope lands, the rainfall tend to transport the soil particles into lower area faster. It will increase surface runoff and eroded soil mass as well erosion rate. The increasing slope and rain intensity ~~lead have increased~~ the runoff rate from 20% to 90% (Chaplot & LeBissonnais 2000).

The implementation of vegetative and terrace system was hoped to reduce the potential soil erosion. Generally, the best recommendation ~~offor~~ soil and water conservation technology was to combine the vegetative and mechanical systems. ~~Because the application of this such combinations are usually give the best result tofor~~ reducing soil erosion and ~~suppressdecreasing~~ conservation cost in long term as well as increasing short term economical benefits for short term. The *F. moluccana* trees and *V. cylindrica* play a role as cover crop in the sloping lands that could avoid destructive ~~power effect~~ of rainfall. In addition, the application of terrace system ~~is hoped~~ could reduce surface runoff and increase water infiltration into the deeper soils. Terrace is used to change the slope geometry ~~which~~ become more flatter ~~slope~~. It is needed in order to improve sloping land stability (Purnamasari et al. 2014).

The erosion rate is also affected by soil properties, especially soil texture. The soil texture in the study site is silty loam that usually support the greatest diversity of plant life. The silt tends to be loaded with the soluble nutrients ~~required by~~ plants ~~requirement~~. The silt soils ~~is~~ also has the high content of organic matter. The soil in the study plots was categorized as acidic soil, indicated by the pH (H₂O) and pH (KCl) values of lower than 5 and the low content of organic C, total N, P, and K. Fine soil grains ~~is~~ usually tend to have high erosion risk because ~~they~~ do not form a stable soil structures easily because of the fragile cohesion between their particles (A'Yunin 2008).

Table 6. Rainfall, surface runoff volume, and eroded soil mass in vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V.cylindrica*) and terrace combination system ~~in~~ the two different slope classes

Rain	Rainfall	Surface runoff (liter)	Eroded soil mass (gram/30 m ²)
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event	(mm)	Steep slope (>25-45%)	Very steep slope (>45%)	Steep slope (>25-45%)	Very steep slope (>45%)
1	74	46.74	43.40	128.76	111.59
2	37	12.21	46.74	39.93	631.4
3	14	7.87	46.74	13.51	149.74
4	20	7.87	46.74	9.22	164.05
5	41	46.74	46.26	119.22	348.13
6	21	14.95	47.21	47.72	214.6
7	36	46.74	46.74	62.95	147.84
8	22	15.74	46.74	32.75	115.41
9	7	4.72	7.79	4.96	25.43
10	15	6.30	46.74	11.06	97.29
11	13	6.23	15.74	6.49	105.87
12	22	23.37	47.21	14.31	75.35
13	31	46.74	47.21	32.43	61.04
14	49	11.8	46.74	18.12	96.33
15	10	6.3	47.21	2.8	57.23
16	10	6.3	17.92	2.03	15.36
17	17	7.87	46.74	2.07	22.89
18	5	8.66	30.69	0.7	24.18
19	9	4.72	31.48	0.38	8.9
20	14	7.87	46.74	0.16	15.26
21	28	7.87	46.74	2.07	34.34
22	41	14.16	47.21	1.14	14.31
23	42	37.77	47.21	3.05	35.29
24	21	11.02	47.21	1.11	25.75
25	27	11.80	46.74	0.72	16.21
26	10	7.87	47.21	0.16	11.45
27	45	15.74	47.21	0.32	8.58
Total	681	445.92	1132.26	558.13	2633.81
Average	25	16.52	41.94	20.67	97.55

The evaluation of erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard level could be used as an indicator to determine the erosion status in the area. The hydro-oro-logical parameters recorded in this study are shown in Table 7. The tolerable erosion rate for sloping lands is 25 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ at a soil depth of more than 100 cm (Rahim 1995). The erosion rate of both steep slope and very steep slope plots were less than 15 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ while the soil depth in the plot was more than 90 cm. The potential erosion rates in steep slope and very steep slope in studied plots were 0.38 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ and 1.31 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹, respectively. The erosion hazard index of was 0.03 (low) and 0.13 (low) were evaluated in for steep slope and very steep slope plots, respectively. The erosion hazard classes (class I) and erosion hazard level in both studied slopes were classified belong to "very low" category.

The hydro-oro-logical parameters in vegetative (*F. moluccana-V.cylindrica*) and terrace combination system on the two different slope classes are shown in Table 7. The soil erosion rates recorded of agroforestry system of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* on different slope lands in the current study site was lower than the values reported on application of for some other agroforestry systems (Karyati et al. 2018; Sarminah et al. 2018; Sumarno et al. 2011) as presented in Table 8. This result implied that the combination of vegetative (*F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica*) and terrace system could be effectively implemented in the different sloping lands.

Table 7. The hydro-oro-logical parameters in vegetative (*F. moluccana-V.cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes

Slope gradient	Surface runoff rate (m ³ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Potential erosion rate (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Tolerable erosion rate (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Erosion hazard index	Erosion hazard class	Erosion hazard level
>25-45%	305.77	0.38	25 ¹⁾	0.03 (Low)	I (Very low)	Very low
>45%	776.41	1.81	25 ¹⁾	0.13 (Low)	I (Very low)	Very low

¹⁾Soil depth in the study plot was >100 cm and the tolerable erosion rate for hills or slope lands was 25 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ (Rahim 1995)

Table 8. The Comparison of soil erosion reported in the current study with earlier reports for other in the agroforestry plantation systems

Planting system	Erosion (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Location	Researcher (year)
Soil and water conservation technique and application of agroforestry system	190.08	Ngadipiro Village, Nguntoronadi Sub-district, Wonogiri District, Central Java, Indonesia	Sumarno et al. (2011)

Agroforestry system of <i>A. cadamba</i> and <i>Glycine max</i>		East Kalimantan, Indonesia	Karyati et al. (2018)
Slope of >15-25%	32.13		
Slope of >25-45%	52.51		
Agroforestry system of <i>F. moluccana</i> and <i>A. hypogaea</i>		East Kalimantan, Indonesia	Sarminah et al. (2018)
Slope of >15-25%	20.05		
Slope of >25-45%	45.50		
Agroforestry system of <i>F. moluccana</i> and <i>V. cylindrica</i>		East Kalimantan, Indonesia	This Current study
Slope of >15-25%	0.38		
Slope of >25-45%	1.81		

Economic aspects

The implementation of vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace system in different slope classes involves the cost expenditure to buy planting and other materials, depreciation of equipments, and wages of labor. Besides cost expenditure, this method gives revenue and profit, especially from *V. cylindrica* yield. Table 9 shows economic analysis of *V. cylindrica* as intercropping in vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes. The material cost was used to involve buying *F. moluccana* seedlings, *V. cylindrica* seeds, NPK fertilizer, pesticides, plastic strings, gunny sacks, and fertilizers from animal. Fertilizer is given to increase soil fertility. The profit of *F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica* plantation in steep slope was Rp 3,865,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹ and in very steep slope was Rp 6,65,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹. This profit was resulted from selling the yield from *V. cylindrica* yield.

The profit from *V. cylindrica* yield in steep slope was higher than *A. hypogaea* yield on agroforestry system of *F. moluccana*-*A. hypogaea* as reported by Karmini et al. (2017). The total cost, total revenue, and profit on agroforestry system of *F. moluccana* and *A. hypogaea* agroforestry system were Rp 10,985,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, Rp 14,000,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹ and Rp 3,015,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹. However, implementation of growing *V. cylindrica* as intercropping in vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes is highly still give beneficial when compared to growing *G. max* yield on agroforestry system *A. cadamba* - *G. max* agroforestry system. Karmini et al. (2017) analyzed reported that growing *G. max* in *A. cadamba* - *G. max* agroforestry system that involved total cost of Rp 11,019,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, total revenue of Rp 3,500,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, and the profit of Rp (-)7,519,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹ are from *G. max* yield on agroforestry system *A. cadamba* - *G. max*. The application vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace system in different slope classes could add economic values for short term. For long term, *F. moluccana* is also increase added value, especially soil and water conservation.

Table 9. Economic analysis of growing *V. cylindrica* as intercropping in vegetative (*F. moluccana* - *V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes

Sl.No.	Cost/Item/activity	Quantity	Unit	Price (Rp)	Total (Rp. ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹)
Production cost					
Material cost					
1	<i>F. moluccana</i> seedlings	1,350.00	units ha ⁻¹	3,000.00	4,050,000.00
2	<i>V. cylindrica</i> seeds	350.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	15,000.00	5,250,000.00
3	NPK fertilizer	100.00	kg ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	15,000.00	1,500,000.00
4	Pesticides	25.00	kg ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	30,000.00	750,000.00
5	Plastic strings	1.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	30,000.00	30,000.00
6	Gunny sacks	20.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	2,000.00	40,000.00
7	Fertilizer from animal	50.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	25,000.00	1,250,000.00
	Sub total				12,870,000.00
Depreciation cost					
8	Hoe	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	125,000.00	20,833.33
9	Chopper	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	100,000.00	16,666.67
10	Sickle	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	60,000.00	10,000.00
11	Sprayer	1.00	units ha ⁻¹	350,000.00	17,500.00
	Sub total				65,000.00
Labor cost					

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12	Land preparation	7.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	700,000.00	
13	Planting	6.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	600,000.00	
14	Fertilizing	4.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	400,000.00	
15	Weeding	5.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	500,000.00	
16	Pest and diseases controlling	4.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	400,000.00	
17	Harvesting	6.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	600,000.00	
	Sub total				3,200,000.00	
Total cost					16,135,000.00	
Total revenue from <i>V. cylindrica</i>						
	Steep slope plot (>25-45%)	2,500.00	kg ha ⁻¹	8,000.00	20,000,000.00	
	Very steep slope plot (>45%)	2,100.00	kg ha ⁻¹	8,000.00	16,800,000.00	
Profit					3,8,65,000.00	
					Very steep slope plot (>45%)	6,65,000.00

Note: cs = cropping season

The implementation of a combination of vegetative and terrace system combination infor soil and water conservation could be applied in the different slope lands. This applicationpractice will givebe beneficial based on silvicultural, hydro-ological, and economic aspects. The combination vegetative and civil technique still shows good growth paramaters. The hydro-ological parameters in this implementation is hoped can reduce surface runoff rate and erosion rate. The short term – economic benefit will be givenis provided by agricultural yield as from the cropping plant in the short term. In long term, this applicationpractice is beneficial in terms of will give soil and water conservation and environment aspects. The important information of this study on silvicultural, hydro-ological; and economic aspects could be used for – basic recommendationing in relation to alternative agroforestry systems forin small scale, and soil conservation programs for in a wide scale. The basic data could be used as consideration byfor all stakeholders, including farmers, foresters, private parties and the governmentgovernmental agencies. in terms of concerned with land management and soil conservation activities.

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Silvicultural, hydro-oroological and economic aspects of a combination of vegetative (*Falcataria moluccana*-*Vigna cylindrica*) and terrace systems in soils of different slopes

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Abstract. Karyati, Sarminah S, Karmini, Rujehan, Lestari VFE, Panorama WS. 2019. Silvicultural, hydro-oroological and economic aspects of a combination of vegetative (*Falcataria moluccana*-*Vigna cylindrica*) and terrace systems in soils of different slopes. *Biodiversitas* 20: xxx. Soil and water conservation techniques involving a combination of vegetative and mechanical systems will increase the benefits from both consevation aspect as well as economic aspect. This study was aimed at analyzing the silvicultural, hydro-oroological and economic aspects of a combination of vegetative (*Falcataria moluccana* - *Vigna cylindrica*) and terrace system in soils of different slopes (a steep and a very steep slope gradient). The silvicultural parameters examined in this study were the ground coverage of *V. cylindrica* growth and survival rate, stem diameter and height of *F. moluccana* trees. The hydro-oroological parameters included erosion rate, erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class and erosion hazard level. The economic parameters included total cost, total revenue and profit. The result showed that the survival rate, diameter increment and height increment of *F. moluccana*, and ground coverage of *V. cylindrica* in the land with the steep slope (>25-45%) was 90%, 2.02 cm year⁻¹, 1.54 m year⁻¹, and 80-90%, respectively. The erosion rate, erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard level in this steep slope was 0.38 ton ha year⁻¹, 0.03 (low), I (very low), and very low, respectively. In the steeper ground (>45%), the survival rate of *F. moluccana* reached 90%, the *V. cylindrica* coverage was 70-79% and the diameter and height increment of *F. moluccana* was 1.63 cm year⁻¹ and 1.19 m year⁻¹, respectively. The erosion rate was 1.81 ton ha⁻¹ year⁻¹, erosion hazard index of 0.13 (low), erosion hazard class was I (very low), and erosion hazard level was low in the very steep slope land. The profit from *V. cylindrica* was Rp 3,865,000.00 ha⁻¹ cropping season⁻¹ and Rp 665,000.00 ha⁻¹ cropping season⁻¹ in steep slope and very steep slope, respectively. The application of the proposed combination of vegetative and terrace system could reduce surface run off and erosion rate in the long term, in addition to providing short term economic benefits.

Keywords: Economic, hydro-oroological, silvicultural, slope, terrace

INTRODUCTION

The over exploitation of natural resources which has exceeded the carrying capacity, coupled with population pressure on land resources, will lead to an increase in degraded land area. In Indonesia, 78 million ha area of land has been categorized as degraded land, of which, 48 million ha is slightly degraded area, 23 million ha is moderately degraded area and 7 million ha is highly degraded area (ADB 2016). The degraded areas are caused by biophysical, social, economical and cultural factors (Matatula 2009). One way to increase the quality of degraded land is by using soil conditioners, combined with soil and water conservation techniques, organic matter management and appropriate fertilization based on soil analysis and plant requirement (Tala'ohu and Al-Jabri 2008). The application of cultivation techniques in the marginal and sloping lands has to be combined with the integrated environmental factors (Budiastuti 2013). The policy concept that was found to reduce erosion rate in watershed and sedimentation in reservoir is terrace and

crop rotation system (Mardaeni et al. 2014). Edison et al. (2012) recommended vegetative land conservation technology to conserve cultivation land (*tegalan*), perennial plants in upstream area of *tegalan* and plantations in downstream area.

The mixed cropping of sengan (*Falcataria moluccana*) and peanut (*Arachis hypogaea*) as well as jabon (*Anthocephalus cadamba*) and soybeans (*Glycine max*) could be implemented in different soil slopes for rehabilitating and soil conservation in sloping lands, based on the growth and hydro-oroological parameters (Karyati et al. 2018; Sarminah et al. 2018). These two agroforestry systems of *F. moluccana* - *A. hypogaea* and *A. cadamba* - *G. max* are feasible and applicable to rehabilitate and conserve the critical lands. Although planting of *G. max* was not profitable in some critical lands, the agroforestry system of *A. cadamba* and *G. max* still had many benefits from the aspect of ecology and conservation for long terms (Karmini et al. 2017). The production, harvested area, and productivity of *Vigna cylindrica* (long beans) in Indonesia in 2017 was 381,185 ton; 56,111 hectare, and 6.79 ton

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hectare⁻¹, respectively (Ministry of Agriculture Republic of Indonesia 2018; Statistics of Indonesia 2018). In East Kalimantan, the production of *V. cylindrica* in 2017 was 71,456 quintal, while harvested area and productivity was 1,361 hectare and 52.50 quintal hectare⁻¹. The productivity of *V. cylindrica* in Samarinda in 2017 was 26.86 quintal hectare⁻¹, total production was 3,089 quintal and the harvested area of 115 hectare (Ministry of Agriculture Republic of Indonesia 2018; Statistics of East Kalimantan Province 2018).

The total land area of Samarinda City of East Kalimantan Province is 71,800,00 ha, out of which land area with less than 2% slope is 27.39%, 2-15% slope is 25.47%, 15-25% slope is 14.81%, 25-40% slope is 15.67%, and more than 40% slope is 13.02% (Statistics of East Kalimantan Province 2018). A combination of vegetative and terrace techniques of soil and water conservation may be the appropriate choice to rehabilitate sloping lands based on silvicultural, hydro-oroological and economic aspects. The plantations of forestry plants is hoped to provide silvicultural, conservation and economic values in a long term program. On the other hand, planting of agricultural plants is expected to provide short term economic benefits. The objectives of this study were to investigate silvicultural, hydro-oroological and economic aspects of implementation of a combination of vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace systems in different soil slopes, ranging from steep to very steep slope gradients.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Study area

This study was conducted in Educational Forest of Forestry Faculty of Mulawarman University, Lempake District, Samarinda City, East Kalimantan Province. The study duration was six months, from January to June 2018. The experimental forest covered a total area of 300 ha and was located at 0°25'10"-0°25'24" South latitude and 117°14'00"-117°14'14" East longitude, in between kilometers 10 and 13 of the Samarinda-Bontang Highway. Administratively, this experimental forest is situated in Tanah Merah Village, North Samarinda District, Samarinda City, East Kalimantan Province (KRUS 2013; KRUS 2014).

The study area received 211.5 mm monthly average rainfall, average air temperature is 27.4°C, and relative humidity was 82.2% (Karyati 2015). The average daily temperature and relative humidity inside the forest ranged from 23.7°C to 30.9°C and 81.4% to 99.3%, respectively. The average daily temperature and relative humidity outside the forest was 25.9°C-28.8°C and 76.0%-90.0%, respectively. The daily average light intensity ranged from 1.08 μmol to 18.41 μmol (Karyati and Ardianto 2016). The climate of Samarinda City was classified as type A climate (a quotient (Q) of 4.8 per cent) based on Schmidt and Ferguson (1951) system which is characterized by high humidity with a tropical rainforest vegetation (Karyati et al. 2016).

Procedures

Experimental procedures

Experiments were conducted in two 10 m x 10 m experimental plots which were located in areas with two different slope classes inside the experimental forest. One of these two experimental plots had a steep slope (>25-45%) and other had a very steep slope (>45%).

2 m wide terraces were made in each experimental plot. Terrace was completed by ditches sized 25 cm wide and 10 cm depth. Sengon (*F. moluccana*) and long beans (*V. cylindrica*) were planted on both plots. *F. moluccana* trees were planted with a spacing of 3 m x 3 m. *V. cylindrica*, as the intercrop legume, was grown in between the sengon trees. Two erosion measurement plots of 10 m x 3 m size were placed in each of the two experimental plots. The growth parameters were measured once in every month, for four months period. Plants were maintained by regular watering, weeding, fertilizer application, and pest and disease control. For economic evaluation, only the long beans were harvested, but not the sengon trees. The measurement of hydro-oroological parameters were conducted during 27 times rain events.

Analysis of soil properties

The analysis of soil physicochemical properties, such as pH, C organic, total N, P, K, and soil texture, were conducted in Laboratory of Soil Science, Tropical Forest Research Center, Mulawarman University. Soil pH was determined in distilled water and 1 N KCl in a soil to solution ratio of 1:2.5 by the glass electrode method. The C organic and total nitrogen (total N) were analyzed using Walkley and Black method (1934) and Kjeldahl method (1883), respectively. Soil P and K were analyzed using Bray 1 method (1954).

Data analysis

Silvicultural parameters

The observation and measurement of plant growth was conducted at the end of every month for four months. The observation was carried out on both *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* plants. The parameters studied for *F. moluccana* were plant survival rate, tree height, and stem diameter. For *V. cylindrica*, ground coverage and yield was recorded. The plant health was measured for both *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica*. A healthy plant was characterized as a plant with a normal height, fresh green leaves, normal stem, and no disease/pests and weed (Ministry of Forestry Republic of Indonesia 2009).

Hydro-oroological parameter

The hydro-oroological parameters measured in this study were surface runoff, potential soil erosion rate, erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard level (Hammer 1981). The erosion hazard index categories and erosion hazard level classification are shown in Table 1 and Table 2, respectively. The erosion hazard index is determined as potential erosion rate (ton ha⁻¹ year⁻¹) divided by tolerable erosion rate (ton ha⁻¹ year⁻¹) (Hammer 1981).

Economic analysis

In this study, the analyzed economic aspects were cost, revenue and profit from long beans as intercropping in sengon (long beans) agroforestry systems. Cost is calculated from price and quantity of inputs, revenue is the price of produced yield, and profit is revenue minus cost (Slavin 2009).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Silvicultural aspects

The recorded plant growth parameters of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* for the two different slope classes are summarized in Table 3. The growth of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* combination were “moderate” to “very good” in the steep slope and very steep slope. The survival rate of *F. moluccana* in both slope classes was “very good” (90%). The ground coverage of *V. cylindrica* in steep slope was better (80-89%) than in very steep slope (70-79%). Meanwhile, the yield of *V. cylindrica* was also higher (2,500 kg ha⁻¹) in steep slope when compared to the yield in very steep slope (2,100 kg ha⁻¹).

The average of *V. cylindrica* yield in this study was almost similar to the average of Samarinda’s yield, but lower than East Kalimantan and Indonesia’s yield (Statistics of East Kalimantan Province 2018; Statistics of Indonesia 2018). However, *V. cylindrica*’s yield obtained in this study was lower than reported by Wahyu et al. (2018). Wahyu et al. (2018) reported that the productivity of *V. cylindrica* in Samboja Subdistrict, Kutai Kartanegara District, East Kalimantan Province was 7,010 kg ha⁻¹ and 13,640 kg ha⁻¹ from monoculture and agroforestry systems, respectively.

The monthly diameter and height increments of *F. moluccana* trees, measured for four months, are provided in Tables 4 and 5. The stem diameter and height increment of *F. moluccana* trees is faster in the slightly steep slope than in the highly steeper slope. The average stem diameter and height increments of *F. moluccana* were 2.02 cm year⁻¹ and 1.54 m year⁻¹ in the steep slope, and 1.63 cm year⁻¹ and 1.19 m year⁻¹, in very steep slope.

The average diameter increment of *F. moluccana* in *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* agroforestry system (on steep and very steep slopes) was lower than those in *F. moluccana* and *Arachis hypogaea* agroforestry system (on slight steep and steep slopes) as reported by Sarminah et al. (2018). On the contrary, the average height increment of this combination was higher than those reported by Sarminah et al. (2018). Similarly, the diameter increment of *F. moluccana* in this study was also lower than those in agroforestry system, monoculture system, and intensive monoculture system (Swestiani and Purwaningsih 2013; Wahyudi and Panjaitan 2013). However, the average diameter increments of *F. moluccana* trees on the steep slope was higher than those planted in the conventional monoculture system (Wahyudi and Panjaitan 2013).

Hydro-orological aspects

The hydro-orological aspects were determined by surface runoff and eroded soil mass. Table 6 presents data regarding rainfall, eroded soil mass, and surface runoff volume in vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes. The result showed that the higher rainfall results in surface runoff and eroded soil mass. Several factors such as rainfall, slope, cover crop, and management practices have suspected influence on soil erosion in the study sites. The length and gradient of slope influences soil erosion. In the steeper slope lands, the rainfall tend to transport the soil particles into lower area faster. It will increase surface runoff and eroded soil mass as well erosion rate. The increasing slope and rain intensity have increased the runoff rate from 20% to 90% (Chaplot and LeBissonnais 2000).

Table 1. Erosion hazard index categories

Erosion hazard index	Category
< 1.00	Low
1,01-4,00	Moderate
4,01-10,00	High
> 10,01	Very high

Source: Hammer (1981)

Table 2. Erosion hazard level classification

Soil column (cm)	Erosion class				
	I	II	III	IV	V
	Erosion rate (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)				
	<15	15-<60	60-<180	180-480	>480
Deep (>90)	Very low 0	Low I	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very heavy IV
Intermediate (60-90)	Low I	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very high IV	Very heavy IV
Shallow (30-<60)	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV
Very shallow (<30)	Heavy III	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV

Source: Regulation of Directorate General of Watershed Management and Social Forestry, Ministry of Forestry Republic of Indonesia (2013). Note: 0=Very low; I=Low; II=Moderate; III=Heavy; IV=Very heavy

Table 3. The growth parameters of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* in the two different slope classes

Plant species	Steep slope (>25-45%)				Very steep slope (>45%)			
	Healthy plants (%)	Survival rate (%)	Ground coverage (%)	Yield (kg ha ⁻¹)	Healthy plants (%)	Survival rate (%)	Ground coverage (%)	Yield (kg ha ⁻¹)
<i>F. moluccana</i>	90 (Very good)	90 (Very good)	-	-	90 (Very good)	90 (Very good)	-	-
<i>V. cylindrica</i>	80-89 (Good)	-	80-89 (Good)	2,500	70-79 (Moderate)	-	70-79 (Moderate)	2,100

Table 4. *Falcataria moluccana* stem diameter increments (mm) in the two different slopes classes

Tree number	Steep slope (>25-45%)					Very steep slope (>45%)				
	D ₀	d ₁	d ₂	d ₃	d ₄	D ₀	d ₁	d ₂	d ₃	d ₄
1	12.10	12.85	14.15	16.15	18.68	14.40	15.00	16.05	18.25	21.10
2	9.25	10.00	11.25	12.80	15.00	6.20	6.95	7.90	9.25	11.00
3	8.20	8.90	10.10	11.65	13.85	9.10	9.70	11.00	12.95	15.50
4	5.10	7.80	9.05	10.60	12.50	9.70	10.20	11.25	12.75	15.10
5	12.70	13.65	14.95	16.90	19.25	11.10	11.65	12.90	14.85	17.35
6	8.60	9.55	11.00	12.70	14.75	6.75	7.35	8.30	9.60	11.25
7	5.30	8.00	9.20	10.90	13.00	6.60	7.30	8.40	9.85	11.70
8	7.40	8.15	9.40	11.05	13.00	6.40	7.00	7.95	9.40	11.15
9	10.30	10.90	12.05	13.55	15.50	8.40	9.00	9.95	11.30	13.00
10	10.10	10.80	12.20	13.90	16.10	10.40	11.10	12.15	14.05	16.45
11	5.70	8.50	9.75	11.40	13.55	8.20	8.85	9.80	11.15	12.90
12	10.30	11.20	12.45	14.20	16.60	9.10	10.00	11.50	13.30	15.65
13	11.40	12.10	13.40	15.55	18.20	7.10	7.75	8.80	10.30	12.05
14	6.30	9.10	10.20	12.05	14.15	10.35	11.00	12.20	13.70	15.65
15	10.80	11.50	12.90	14.95	17.55	7.25	8.00	9.10	10.50	12.20
16	4.15	8.75	9.75	11.55	13.65	14.40	15.15	16.50	18.29	20.19
Mean	8.61	10.11	11.36	13.12	15.33	9.09	9.75	10.86	12.47	14.52
SD	2.69	1.81	1.86	1.99	2.17	2.58	2.58	2.66	2.88	3.16
Annual diameter increment	20.18 mm year ⁻¹ = 2.02 cm year ⁻¹					Annual diameter increment 16.27 mm year ⁻¹ = 1.63 cm year ⁻¹				

Note: D₀ = initial stem diameter (diameter measurement at the beginning of experiment); d₁, d₂, d₃, d₄ = diameter at the end of the first, second, third, and fourth month after planting; SD=Standard Deviation

Table 5. *F. moluccana* height increments (cm) in the two different slopes

Tree number	Steep slope (>25-45%)					Very steep slope (>45%)				
	H ₀	h ₁	h ₂	h ₃	h ₄	H ₀	h ₁	h ₂	h ₃	h ₄
1	153	177	189	205	213	176	197	205	210	220
2	144	157	182	194	206	160	173	182	201	205
3	102	106	111	117	125	143	153	157	164	174
4	176	188	196	202	212	124	136	148	155	166
5	165	183	204	212	227	146	163	166	171	176
6	157	172	194	204	212	123	138	145	158	161
7	167	179	187	200	209	145	157	167	176	188
8	146	167	183	192	204	151	165	178	182	194
9	182	205	219	231	242	146	162	166	175	181
10	184	197	208	219	231	164	177	186	199	206
11	116	131	143	159	177	173	185	189	194	208
12	119	136	148	163	176	152	163	169	175	184
13	159	173	183	195	208	119	134	142	154	162
14	168	184	194	212	220	169	186	190	202	214
15	169	185	198	211	221	134	149	158	167	178
16	137	150	163	172	181	101	113	126	136	144
Mean	153	168	181	193	204	145	159	167	176	185
SD	24,10	26,21	27,59	28,10	28,03	21,03	22,03	20,79	20,69	21,48
Annual height increment	153.75 cm year ⁻¹ = 1.54 m year ⁻¹					Annual height increment 119.1 cm year ⁻¹ = 1.19 m year ⁻¹				

Note: H₀ = initial tree height (height measurement at the beginning of experiment); h₁, h₂, h₃, h₄ = height at the end of the first, second, third, and fourth month after planting; SD=Standard Deviation.

Table 6. Rainfall, surface runoff volume, and eroded soil mass in vegetative (*F. moluccana-V.cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes

Rain event	Rainfall (mm)	Surface runoff (L)		Eroded soil mass (g/30 m ²)	
		Steep slope (>25-45%)	Very steep slope (>45%)	Steep slope (>25-45%)	Very steep slope (>45%)
1	74	46.74	43.40	128.76	111.59
2	37	12.21	46.74	39.93	631.4
3	14	7.87	46.74	13.51	149.74
4	20	7.87	46.74	9.22	164.05
5	41	46.74	46.26	119.22	348.13
6	21	14.95	47.21	47.72	214.6
7	36	46.74	46.74	62.95	147.84
8	22	15.74	46.74	32.75	115.41
9	7	4.72	7.79	4.96	25.43
10	15	6.30	46.74	11.06	97.29
11	13	6.23	15.74	6.49	105.87
12	22	23.37	47.21	14.31	75.35
13	31	46.74	47.21	32.43	61.04
14	49	11.8	46.74	18.12	96.33
15	10	6.3	47.21	2.8	57.23
16	10	6.3	17.92	2.03	15.36
17	17	7.87	46.74	2.07	22.89
18	5	8.66	30.69	0.7	24.18
19	9	4.72	31.48	0.38	8.9
20	14	7.87	46.74	0.16	15.26
21	28	7.87	46.74	2.07	34.34
22	41	14.16	47.21	1.14	14.31
23	42	37.77	47.21	3.05	35.29
24	21	11.02	47.21	1.11	25.75
25	27	11.80	46.74	0.72	16.21
26	10	7.87	47.21	0.16	11.45
27	45	15.74	47.21	0.32	8.58
Total	681	445.92	1132.26	558.13	2633.81
Average	25	16.52	41.94	20.67	97.55

Table 7. The hydro-ological parameters in vegetative (*F. moluccana-V.cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes

Slope gradient	Surface runoff rate (m ³ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Potential erosion rate (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Tolerable erosion rate (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Erosion hazard index	Erosion hazard class	Erosion hazard level
>25-45%	305.77	0.38	25 ¹⁾	0.03 (Low)	I (Very low)	Very low
>45%	776.41	1.81	25 ¹⁾	0.13 (Low)	I (Very low)	Vey low

¹⁾Soil depth in the study plot was >100 cm and the tolerable erosion rate for hills or slope lands was 25 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ (Rahim 1995)

Table 8. Comparison of soil erosion reported in the current study with earlier reports for other agroforestry plantation systems

Planting system	Erosion (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Location	Researcher (year)
Soil and water conservation technique and application of agroforestry system	190.08	Ngadipiro Village. Nguntoronadi Sub-district. Wonogiri District. Central Java. Indonesia	Sumarno et al. (2011)
Agroforestry system of <i>A. cadamba</i> and <i>Glycine max</i>			
Slope of >15-25%	32.13		
Slope of >25-45%	52.51	East Kalimantan. Indonesia	Karyati et al. (2018)
Agroforestry system of <i>F. moluccana</i> and <i>A. hypogaea</i>			
Slope of >15-25%	20.05	East Kalimantan. Indonesia	Sarminah et al. (2018)
Slope of >25-45%	45.50		
Agroforestry system of <i>F. moluccana</i> and <i>V. cylindrica</i>			
Slope of >25-45%	0.38	East Kalimantan. Indonesia	Current study
Slope of >45%	1.81		

Table 9. Economic analysis of growing *V. cylindrica* as intercrop in vegetative (*F. moluccana* - *V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes

No.	Item/activity	Quantity	Unit	Price (Rp)	Total (Rp. ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹)
Production cost					
Material cost					
1	<i>F. moluccana</i> seedlings	1,350.00	units ha ⁻¹	3,000.00	4,050,000.00
2	<i>V. cylindrica</i> seeds	350.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	15,000.00	5,250,000.00
3	NPK fertilizer	100.00	kg ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	15,000.00	1,500,000.00
4	Pesticides	25.00	kg ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	30,000.00	750,000.00
5	Plastic strings	1.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	30,000.00	30,000.00
6	Gunny sacks	20.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	2,000.00	40,000.00
7	Fertilizer	50.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	25,000.00	1,250,000.00
	Sub total				12,870,000.00
Depreciation cost					
8	Hoe	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	125,000.00	20,833.33
9	Chopper	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	100,000.00	16,666.67
10	Sickle	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	60,000.00	10,000.00
11	Sprayer	1.00	units ha ⁻¹	350,000.00	17,500.00
	Sub total				65,000.00
Labor cost					
12	Land preparation	7.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	700,000.00
13	Planting	6.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	600,000.00
14	Fertilizing	4.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	400,000.00
15	Weeding	5.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	500,000.00
16	Pest and disease controlling	4.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	400,000.00
17	Harvesting	6.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	600,000.00
	Sub total				3,200,000.00
Total cost					16,135,000.00
Total revenue from <i>V. cylindrica</i>					
	Steep slope plot (>25-45%)	2,500.00	kg ha ⁻¹	8,000.00	20,000,000.00
	Very steep slope plot (>45%)	2,100.00	kg ha ⁻¹	8,000.00	16,800,000.00
Profit					
			Steep slope plot (>25-45%)		3,865,000.00
			Very steep slope plot (>45%)		665,000.00

Note: cs = cropping season

The implementation of vegetative and terrace system was hoped to reduce the potential soil erosion. Generally, the best recommendation for soil and water conservation technology was to combine the vegetative and mechanical systems because such combinations are usually best for reducing soil erosion and decreasing conservation cost in long term as well as increasing short term economical benefits. The *F. moluccana* trees and *V. cylindrica* play a role as cover crop in the sloping lands that could avoid destructive effect of rainfall. In addition, the application of terrace system could reduce surface runoff and increase water infiltration into the deeper soils. Terrace is used to change the slope geometry which become more flatter. It is needed in order to improve sloping land stability (Purnamasari et al. 2014).

The erosion rate is also affected by soil properties, especially soil texture. The soil texture in the study site is silty loam that usually support the greatest diversity of plant life. The silt tends to be loaded with the soluble

nutrients required by plants. The silt soil also has high content of organic matter. The soil in the study plots was categorized as acidic soil, indicated by the pH value of lower than 5 and the low content of organic C, total N, P, and K. Fine soil grains usually tend to have high erosion risk because they do not form stable soil structures easily because of the fragile cohesion between their particles (A'Yunin 2008).

The evaluation of erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard level could be used as an indicator to determine the erosion status in the area. The hydro-ological parameters recorded in this study are shown in Table 7. The tolerable erosion rate for sloping lands is 25 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ at a soil depth of more than 100 cm (Rahim 1995). The erosion rate of both steep slope and very steep slope plots were less than 15 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ while the soil depth in the plot was more than 90 cm. The potential erosion rates in steep slope and very steep slope in studied plots were 0.38 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ and 1.31 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹

¹, respectively. The erosion hazard index was 0.03 (low) and 0.13 (low) for steep slope and very steep slope plots, respectively. The erosion hazard classes (class I) and erosion hazard level in both studied slopes belong to “very low” category.

The soil erosion rates recorded in the current study was lower than the values reported for some other agroforestry systems (Karyati et al. 2018; Sarminah et al. 2018; Sumarno et al. 2011) as presented in Table 8. This result implied that the combination of vegetative (*F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica*) and terrace system could be effectively implemented in different sloping lands.

Economic aspects

The implementation of vegetative (*F. moluccana-V. cylindrica*) and terrace system in different slope classes involves cost expenditure to buy planting and other materials, depreciation on equipments and wages of labor. On the other hand, implementation of this method gives revenue and profit, especially from *V. cylindrica* yield. Table 9 shows economic analysis of *V. cylindrica* as intercrop in vegetative (*F. moluccana-V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes. The material cost involved were for buying *F. moluccana* seedlings, *V. cylindrica* seeds, NPK fertilizer, pesticides, plastic strings, gunny sacks, and fertilizer to increase soil fertility. The profit of *F. moluccana-V. cylindrica* plantation in steep slope was Rp 3,865,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹ and in very steep slope was Rp 665,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹. This profit was from selling the yield from *V. cylindrica*.

The profit from *V. cylindrica* yield in steep slope was higher than *A. hypogaea* yield on agroforestry system of *F. moluccana-A. hypogaea* as reported by Karmini et al. (2017). The total cost, total revenue and profit related to *F. moluccana* and *A. hypogaea* agroforestry system was Rp 10,985,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, Rp 14,000,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹ and Rp 3,015,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹. However, growing *V. cylindrica* as intercrop in vegetative (*F. moluccana-V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in different slope lands is highly beneficial when compared to growing *G. max* in *A. cadamba - G. max* agroforestry system. Karmini et al. (2017) reported that growing *G. max* in *A. cadamba - G. max* agroforestry system involved total cost of Rp 11,019,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, total revenue was Rp 3,500,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, and the profit was Rp (-)7,519,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹.

The implementation of a combination of vegetative and terrace system for soil and water conservation could be applied in the different slope lands. This practice will be beneficial based on silvicultural, hydro-oroologica, and economic aspects. The short term economic benefit is provided by agricultural yield from the crop plant. In long term, this practice is beneficial in terms of soil and water conservation and environment aspects. The information of this study on silvicultural, hydro-oroological and economic aspects could be used for recommending alternative agroforestry systems in small scale, and soil conservation programs in a wide scale for all stakeholders including farmers, foresters, private parties and the governmental agencies concerned with land management and soil conservation activities.

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Silvicultural, hydro-orological and economic aspects of a combination of vegetative (*Falcataria moluccana*-*Vigna cylindrica*) and terrace systems in soils of different slopes

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Abstract. Karyati, Sarminah S, Karmini, Rujehan, Lestari VFE, Panorama WS. 2019. Silvicultural, hydro-orological and economic aspects of a combination of vegetative (*Falcataria moluccana*-*Vigna cylindrica*) and terrace systems in soils of different slopes. *Biodiversitas* 20: xxxx. Soil and water conservation techniques involving a combination of vegetative and mechanical systems will increase the benefits from both conservation aspect as well as economic aspect. This study was aimed at analyzing the silvicultural, hydro-orological and economic aspects of a combination of vegetative (*Falcataria moluccana* - *Vigna cylindrica*) and terrace system in soils of different slopes (a steep and a very steep slope gradient). The silvicultural parameters examined in this study were the ground coverage of *V. cylindrica* growth and survival rate, stem diameter and height of *F. moluccana* trees. The hydro-orological parameters included erosion rate, erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class and erosion hazard level. The economic parameters included total cost, total revenue and profit. The result showed that the survival rate, diameter increment and height increment of *F. moluccana*, and ground coverage of *V. cylindrica* in the land with the steep slope (>25-45%) was 90%, 2.02 cm year⁻¹, 1.54 m year⁻¹, and 80-90%, respectively. The erosion rate, erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard level in this steep slope was 0.38 ton ha year⁻¹, 0.03 (low), I (very low), and very low, respectively. In the steeper ground (>45%), the survival rate of *F. moluccana* reached 90%, the *V. cylindrica* coverage was 70-79% and the diameter and height increment of *F. moluccana* was 1.63 cm year⁻¹ and 1.19 m year⁻¹, respectively. The erosion rate was 1.81 ton ha⁻¹ year⁻¹, erosion hazard index of 0.13 (low), erosion hazard class was I (very low), and erosion hazard level was low in the very steep slope land. The profit from *V. cylindrica* was Rp 3,865,000.00 ha⁻¹ cropping season⁻¹ and Rp 665,000.00 ha⁻¹ cropping season⁻¹ in steep slope and very steep slope, respectively. The application of the proposed combination of vegetative and terrace system could reduce surface run off and erosion rate in the long term, in addition to providing short term economic benefits.

Keywords: Economic, hydro-orological, silvicultural, slope, terrace

INTRODUCTION

The over exploitation of natural resources which has exceeded the carrying capacity, coupled with population pressure on land resources, will lead to an increase in degraded land area. In Indonesia, 78 million ha area of land has been categorized as degraded land, of which, 48 million ha is slightly degraded area, 23 million ha is moderately degraded area and 7 million ha is highly degraded area (ADB 2016). The implementation of soil and water conservation and other land rehabilitation at in situ and catchment level is the highest priority to manage highly degraded environments and pressured lands (Nyssen et al. 2008). The application of vegetative barriers and mechanical technique, such as bunds or trenches or both, on the appropriately spaced contours may increase potential conservation role (Dass et al. 2011).

Soil reaction primarily influences plant growth indirectly through its effects on the solubility of ions and the activity of microorganism (Harris 1992). The easily observable properties of soil, such as texture, structure,

colour, depth and stoniness, can be used to infer a great deal about how a particular soil influences plant growth (Fisher and Binkley 2000). It is the ability of the soil to supply nutrient elements in the amounts, forms, and proportions required for maximum plant growth (Hazra and Som 2006). There are association between species and soil characteristics under homogenous parent rock and elevational range (Nizam et al. 2006) as well as correlation among topography, soil nutrient and plants (Potts et al. 2002). In addition, several soil properties showed positive and negative correlation to plant parameters (Kumar et al. 2010; Toledo et al. 2011).

The mixed cropping of sengon (*Falcataria moluccana*) and peanut (*Arachis hypogaea*) as well as jabon (*Anthocephalus cadamba*) and soybeans (*Glycine max*) could be implemented in different soil slopes for rehabilitating and soil conservation in sloping lands, based on the growth and hydro-orological parameters (Karyati et al. 2018; Sarminah et al. 2018). These two agroforestry systems of *F. moluccana* - *A. hypogaea* and *A. cadamba* - *G. max* are feasible and applicable to rehabilitate and

conserve the critical lands. Although planting of *G. max* was not profitable in some critical lands, the agroforestry system of *A. cadamba* and *G. max* still had many benefits from the aspect of ecology and conservation for long terms (Karmini et al. 2017).

Yard long bean (*Vigna sesquipedalis* L. Fruw) is one of the most popular vegetables in many countries of Southeast Asia, but this species has relatively low yield productivity (Nooprom and Santiprachha 2015). The production, harvested area, and productivity of *Vigna cylindrica* (long beans) in Indonesia in 2017 was 381,185 ton; 56,111 hectare, and 6.79 ton hectare⁻¹, respectively (Ministry of Agriculture Republic of Indonesia 2018). In East Kalimantan, the production of *V. cylindrica* in 2017 was 71,456 quintal, while harvested area and productivity was 1,361 hectare and 52.50 quintal hectare⁻¹. The productivity of *V. cylindrica* in Samarinda in 2017 was 26.86 quintal hectare⁻¹, total production was 3,089 quintal and the harvested area of 115 hectare (Ministry of Agriculture Republic of Indonesia 2018; Statistics of East Kalimantan Province 2018).

The total land area of Samarinda City of East Kalimantan Province is 71.800,00 ha, out of which land area with less than 2% slope is 27.39%, 2-15% slope is 25.47%, 15-25% slope is 14.81%, 25-40% slope is 15.67%, and more than 40% slope is 13.02% (Statistics of East Kalimantan Province 2018). A combination of vegetative and terrace techniques of soil and water conservation may be the appropriate choice to rehabilitate sloping lands based on silvicultural, hydro-oroological and economic aspects. The plantations of forestry plants is hoped to provide silvicultural, conservation and economic values in a long term program. On the other hand, planting of agricultural plants is expected to provide short term economic benefits. The objectives of this study were to investigate silvicultural, hydro-oroological and economic aspects of implementation of a combination of vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace systems in different soil slopes, ranging from steep to very steep slope gradients.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Study area

This study was conducted in Educational Forest of Forestry Faculty of Mulawarman University, Lempake District, Samarinda City, East Kalimantan Province. The study duration was six months, from January to June 2018. The experimental forest covered a total area of 300 ha and was located at 0°25'10"-0°25'24" South latitude and 117°14'00"-117°14'14" East longitude, in between kilometers 10 and 13 of the Samarinda-Bontang Highway. Administratively, this experimental forest is situated in Tanah Merah Village, North Samarinda District, Samarinda City, East Kalimantan Province.

The study area received 211.5 mm monthly average rainfall, average air temperature is 27.4°C, and relative humidity was 82.2%. The average daily temperature and relative humidity inside the forest ranged from 23.7°C to -

30.9°C and 81.4% to 99.3%, respectively. The average daily temperature and relative humidity outside the forest was 25.9°C-28.8°C and 76.0%-90.0%, respectively. The daily average light intensity ranged from 1.08 μmol to 18.41 μmol (Karyati and Ardianto 2016). The climate of Samarinda City was classified as type A climate (a quotient (Q) of 4.8 per cent) based on Schmidt and Ferguson (1951) system which is characterized by highly humidity with a tropical rainforest vegetation..

Procedures

Experimental procedures

Experiments were conducted in two 10 m x 10 m experimental plots which were located in areas with two different slope classes inside the experimental forest. One of these two experimental plots had a steep slope (>25-45%) and other had a very steep slope (>45%).

2 m wide terraces were made in each experimental plot. Terrace was completed by ditches sized 25 cm wide and 10 cm depth. Sengon (*F. moluccana*) and long beans (*V. cylindrica*) were planted on both plots. *F. moluccana* trees were planted with a spacing of 3 m x 3 m. *V. cylindrica*, as the intercrop legume, was grown in between the sengon trees. Two erosion measurement plots of 10 m x 3 m size were placed in each of the two experimental plots. The growth parameters were measured once in every month, for four months period. Plants were maintained by regular watering, weeding, fertilizer application, and pest and disease control. For economic evaluation, only the long beans were harvested, but not the sengon trees. The measurement of hydro-oroological parameters were conducted during 27 times rain events.

Analysis of soil properties

The analysis of soil physicochemical properties, such as pH, C organic, total N, P, K, and soil texture, were conducted in Laboratory of Soil Science, Tropical Forest Research Center, Mulawarman University. Soil pH was determined in distilled water and 1 N KCl in a soil to solution ratio of 1:2.5 by the glass electrode method. The C organik and total nitrogen (total N) were analyzed using Walkley and Black method (1934) and Kjeldahl method (1883), respectively. Soil P and K were analyzed using Bray 1 method (1954).

Data analysis

Silvicultural parameters

The observation and measurement of plant growth was conducted at the end of every month for four months. The observation was carried out on both *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* plants. The parameters studied for *F. moluccana* were plant survival rate, tree height, and stem diameter. For *V. cylindrica*, ground coverage and yield was recorded. The plant health was measured for both *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica*. A healthy plant was characterized as a plant with a normal height, fresh green leaves, normal stem, and no disease/pests and weed (Ministry of Forestry Republic of Indonesia 2009).

Hydro-orological parameter

The hydro-orological parameters measured in this study were surface runoff, potential soil erosion rate, erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard level (Hammer 1981). The erosion hazard index categories and erosion hazard level classification are shown in Table 1 and Table 2, respectively. The erosion hazard index is determined as potential erosion rate ($\text{ton ha}^{-1} \text{ year}^{-1}$) divided by tolerable erosion rate ($\text{ton ha}^{-1} \text{ year}^{-1}$) (Hammer 1981).

Economic analysis

In this study, the analyzed economic aspects were cost, revenue and profit from long beans as intercropping in sengon (long beans) agroforestry systems. Cost is calculated from price and quantity of inputs, revenue is the price of produced yield, and profit is revenue minus cost (Slavin 2009).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Silvicultural aspects

The recorded plant growth parameters of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* for the two different slope classes are summarized in Table 3. The growth of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* combination were “moderate” to “very good” in the steep slope and very steep slope. The survival rate of *F. moluccana* in both slope classes was “very good” (90%). The ground coverage of *V. cylindrica* in steep slope was better (80-89%) than in very steep slope (70-79%). Meanwhile, the yield of *V. cylindrica* was also higher ($2,500 \text{ kg ha}^{-1}$) in steep slope when compared to the yield in very steep slope ($2,100 \text{ kg ha}^{-1}$).

The average of *V. cylindrica* yield in this study was almost similar to the average of Samarinda’s yield, but lower than East Kalimantan and Indonesia’s yield (Ministry of Agriculture Republic of Indonesia 2018; Statistics of East Kalimantan Province 2018). However, *V. cylindrica*’s yield obtained in this study was lower than reported by Wahyu et al. (2018). Wahyu et al. (2018) reported that the productivity of *V. cylindrica* in Samboja Subdistrict, Kutai Kartanegara District, East Kalimantan Province was $7,010 \text{ kg ha}^{-1}$ and $13,640 \text{ kg ha}^{-1}$ from monoculture and agroforestry systems, respectively.

The monthly diameter and height increments of *F. moluccana* trees, measured for four months, are provided in

Tables 4 and 5. The stem diameter and height increment of *F. moluccana* trees is faster in the slightly steep slope than in the highly steeper slope. The average stem diameter and height increments of *F. moluccana* were $2.02 \text{ cm year}^{-1}$ and 1.54 m year^{-1} in the steep slope, and $1.63 \text{ cm year}^{-1}$ and 1.19 m year^{-1} , in very steep slope.

The average diameter increment of *F. moluccana* in *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* agroforestry system (on steep and very steep slopes) was lower than those in *F. moluccana* and *Arachis hypogaea* agroforestry system (on slight steep and steep slopes) as reported by Sarminah et al. (2018). On the contrary, the average height increment of this combination was higher than those reported by Sarminah et al. (2018). Similarly, the diameter increment of *F. moluccana* in this study was also lower than those in agroforestry system, monoculture system, and intensive monoculture system (Swestiani and Purwaningsih 2013; Wahyudi and Panjaitan 2013). However, the average diameter increments of *F. moluccana* trees on the steep slope was higher than those planted in the conventional monoculture system (Wahyudi and Panjaitan 2013).

Hydro-orological aspects

The hydro-orological aspects were determined by surface runoff and eroded soil mass. Table 6 presents data regarding rainfall, eroded soil mass, and surface runoff volume in vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes. The result showed that the higher rainfall results in surface runoff and eroded soil mass. Several factors such as rainfall, slope, cover crop, and management practices have suspected influence on soil erosion in the study sites. The length and gradient of slope influences soil erosion. In the steeper slope lands, the rainfall tend to transport the soil particles into lower area faster. It will increase surface runoff and eroded soil mass as well erosion rate. The increasing slope and rain intensity have increased the runoff rate from 20% to 90% (Chaplot and LeBissonnais 2000).

Table 1. Erosion hazard index categories

Erosion hazard index	Category
< 1.00	Low
1,01-4,00	Moderate
4,01-10,00	High
> 10,01	Very high

Source: Hammer (1981)

Table 2. Erosion hazard level classification

Soil column (cm)	Erosion class				
	I	II	III	IV	V
	Erosion rate ($\text{ton ha}^{-1} \text{ year}^{-1}$)				
	<15	15-<60	60-<180	180-480	>480
Deep (>90)	Very low 0	Low I	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very heavy IV
Intermediate (60-90)	Low I	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very high IV	Very heavy IV
Shallow (30-<60)	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV
Very shallow (<30)	Heavy III	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV

Source: Regulation of Directorate General of Watershed Management and Social Forestry, Ministry of Forestry Republic of Indonesia (2013). Note: 0=Very low; I=Low; II=Moderate; III=Heavy; IV=Very heavy

Table 3. The growth parameters of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* in the two different slope classes

Plant species	Steep slope (>25-45%)				Very steep slope (>45%)			
	Healthy plants (%)	Survival rate (%)	Ground coverage (%)	Yield (kg ha ⁻¹)	Healthy plants (%)	Survival rate (%)	Ground coverage (%)	Yield (kg ha ⁻¹)
<i>F. moluccana</i>	90 (Very good)	90 (Very good)	-	-	90 (Very good)	90 (Very good)	-	-
<i>V. cylindrica</i>	80-89 (Good)	-	80-89 (Good)	2,500	70-79 (Moderate)	-	70-79 (Moderate)	2,100

Table 4. *Falcataria moluccana* stem diameter increments (mm) in the two different slopes classes

Tree number	Steep slope (>25-45%)					Very steep slope (>45%)				
	D ₀	d ₁	d ₂	d ₃	d ₄	D ₀	d ₁	d ₂	d ₃	d ₄
1	12.10	12.85	14.15	16.15	18.68	14.40	15.00	16.05	18.25	21.10
2	9.25	10.00	11.25	12.80	15.00	6.20	6.95	7.90	9.25	11.00
3	8.20	8.90	10.10	11.65	13.85	9.10	9.70	11.00	12.95	15.50
4	5.10	7.80	9.05	10.60	12.50	9.70	10.20	11.25	12.75	15.10
5	12.70	13.65	14.95	16.90	19.25	11.10	11.65	12.90	14.85	17.35
6	8.60	9.55	11.00	12.70	14.75	6.75	7.35	8.30	9.60	11.25
7	5.30	8.00	9.20	10.90	13.00	6.60	7.30	8.40	9.85	11.70
8	7.40	8.15	9.40	11.05	13.00	6.40	7.00	7.95	9.40	11.15
9	10.30	10.90	12.05	13.55	15.50	8.40	9.00	9.95	11.30	13.00
10	10.10	10.80	12.20	13.90	16.10	10.40	11.10	12.15	14.05	16.45
11	5.70	8.50	9.75	11.40	13.55	8.20	8.85	9.80	11.15	12.90
12	10.30	11.20	12.45	14.20	16.60	9.10	10.00	11.50	13.30	15.65
13	11.40	12.10	13.40	15.55	18.20	7.10	7.75	8.80	10.30	12.05
14	6.30	9.10	10.20	12.05	14.15	10.35	11.00	12.20	13.70	15.65
15	10.80	11.50	12.90	14.95	17.55	7.25	8.00	9.10	10.50	12.20
16	4.15	8.75	9.75	11.55	13.65	14.40	15.15	16.50	18.29	20.19
Mean	8.61	10.11	11.36	13.12	15.33	9.09	9.75	10.86	12.47	14.52
SD	2.69	1.81	1.86	1.99	2.17	2.58	2.58	2.66	2.88	3.16
Annual diameter increment	20.18 mm year ⁻¹ = 2.02 cm year ⁻¹					Annual diameter increment 16.27 mm year ⁻¹ = 1.63 cm year ⁻¹				

Note: D₀ = initial stem diameter (diameter measurement at the beginning of experiment); d₁, d₂, d₃, d₄ = diameter at the end of the first, second, third, and fourth month after planting; SD=Standard Deviation

Table 5. *F. moluccana* height increments (cm) in the two different slopes

Tree number	Steep slope (>25-45%)					Very steep slope (>45%)				
	H ₀	h ₁	h ₂	h ₃	h ₄	H ₀	h ₁	h ₂	h ₃	h ₄
1	153	177	189	205	213	176	197	205	210	220
2	144	157	182	194	206	160	173	182	201	205
3	102	106	111	117	125	143	153	157	164	174
4	176	188	196	202	212	124	136	148	155	166
5	165	183	204	212	227	146	163	166	171	176
6	157	172	194	204	212	123	138	145	158	161
7	167	179	187	200	209	145	157	167	176	188
8	146	167	183	192	204	151	165	178	182	194
9	182	205	219	231	242	146	162	166	175	181
10	184	197	208	219	231	164	177	186	199	206
11	116	131	143	159	177	173	185	189	194	208
12	119	136	148	163	176	152	163	169	175	184
13	159	173	183	195	208	119	134	142	154	162
14	168	184	194	212	220	169	186	190	202	214
15	169	185	198	211	221	134	149	158	167	178
16	137	150	163	172	181	101	113	126	136	144
Mean	153	168	181	193	204	145	159	167	176	185
SD	24,10	26,21	27,59	28,10	28,03	21,03	22,03	20,79	20,69	21,48
Annual height increment	153.75 cm year ⁻¹ = 1.54 m year ⁻¹					Annual height increment 119.1 cm year ⁻¹ = 1.19 m year ⁻¹				

Note: H₀ = initial tree height (height measurement at the beginning of experiment); h₁, h₂, h₃, h₄ = height at the end of the first, second, third, and fourth month after planting; SD=Standard Deviation.

Table 6. Rainfall, surface runoff volume, and eroded soil mass in vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V.cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes

Rain event	Rainfall (mm)	Surface runoff (L)		Eroded soil mass (g/30 m ²)	
		Steep slope (>25-45%)	Very steep slope (>45%)	Steep slope (>25-45%)	Very steep slope (>45%)
1	74	46.74	43.40	128.76	111.59
2	37	12.21	46.74	39.93	631.4
3	14	7.87	46.74	13.51	149.74
4	20	7.87	46.74	9.22	164.05
5	41	46.74	46.26	119.22	348.13
6	21	14.95	47.21	47.72	214.6
7	36	46.74	46.74	62.95	147.84
8	22	15.74	46.74	32.75	115.41
9	7	4.72	7.79	4.96	25.43
10	15	6.30	46.74	11.06	97.29
11	13	6.23	15.74	6.49	105.87
12	22	23.37	47.21	14.31	75.35
13	31	46.74	47.21	32.43	61.04
14	49	11.8	46.74	18.12	96.33
15	10	6.3	47.21	2.8	57.23
16	10	6.3	17.92	2.03	15.36
17	17	7.87	46.74	2.07	22.89
18	5	8.66	30.69	0.7	24.18
19	9	4.72	31.48	0.38	8.9
20	14	7.87	46.74	0.16	15.26
21	28	7.87	46.74	2.07	34.34
22	41	14.16	47.21	1.14	14.31
23	42	37.77	47.21	3.05	35.29
24	21	11.02	47.21	1.11	25.75
25	27	11.80	46.74	0.72	16.21
26	10	7.87	47.21	0.16	11.45
27	45	15.74	47.21	0.32	8.58
Total	681	445.92	1132.26	558.13	2633.81
Average	25	16.52	41.94	20.67	97.55

Table 7. The hydro-ological parameters in vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V.cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes

Slope gradient	Surface runoff rate (m ³ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Potential erosion rate (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Tolerable erosion rate (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Erosion hazard index	Erosion hazard class	Erosion hazard level
>25-45%	305.77	0.38	25 ¹⁾	0.03 (Low)	I (Very low)	Very low
>45%	776.41	1.81	25 ¹⁾	0.13 (Low)	I (Very low)	Very low

¹⁾Soil depth in the study plot was >100 cm and the tolerable erosion rate for hills or slope lands was 25 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ (Rahim 1995)

Table 8. Comparison of soil erosion reported in the current study with earlier reports for other agroforestry plantation systems

Planting system	Erosion (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Location	Researcher (year)
Soil and water conservation technique and application of agroforestry system	190.08	Ngadipiro Village. Nguntoronadi Sub-district. Wonogiri District. Central Java. Indonesia	Sumarno et al. (2011)
Agroforestry system of <i>A. cadamba</i> and <i>Glycine max</i>		East Kalimantan. Indonesia	Karyati et al. (2018)
Slope of >15-25%	32.13		
Slope of >25-45%	52.51		
Agroforestry system of <i>F. moluccana</i> and <i>A. hypogaea</i>		East Kalimantan. Indonesia	Sarminah et al. (2018)
Slope of >15-25%	20.05		
Slope of >25-45%	45.50		
Agroforestry system of <i>F. moluccana</i> and <i>V. cylindrica</i>		East Kalimantan. Indonesia	Current study
Slope of >25-45%	0.38		
Slope of >45%	1.81		

Table 9. Economic analysis of growing *V. cylindrica* as intercrop in vegetative (*F. moluccana* - *V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes

No.	Item/activity	Quantity	Unit	Price (Rp)	Total (Rp. ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹)
Production cost					
Material cost					
1	<i>F. moluccana</i> seedlings	1,350.00	units ha ⁻¹	3,000.00	4,050,000.00
2	<i>V. cylindrica</i> seeds	350.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	15,000.00	5,250,000.00
3	NPK fertilizer	100.00	kg ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	15,000.00	1,500,000.00
4	Pesticides	25.00	kg ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	30,000.00	750,000.00
5	Plastic strings	1.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	30,000.00	30,000.00
6	Gunny sacks	20.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	2,000.00	40,000.00
7	Fertilizer	50.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	25,000.00	1,250,000.00
	Sub total				12,870,000.00
Depreciation cost					
8	Hoe	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	125,000.00	20,833.33
9	Chopper	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	100,000.00	16,666.67
10	Sickle	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	60,000.00	10,000.00
11	Sprayer	1.00	units ha ⁻¹	350,000.00	17,500.00
	Sub total				65,000.00
Labor cost					
12	Land preparation	7.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	700,000.00
13	Planting	6.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	600,000.00
14	Fertilizing	4.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	400,000.00
15	Weeding	5.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	500,000.00
16	Pest and disease controlling	4.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	400,000.00
17	Harvesting	6.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	600,000.00
	Sub total				3,200,000.00
Total cost					16,135,000.00
Total revenue from <i>V. cylindrica</i>					
	Steep slope plot (>25-45%)	2,500.00	kg ha ⁻¹	8,000.00	20,000,000.00
	Very steep slope plot (>45%)	2,100.00	kg ha ⁻¹	8,000.00	16,800,000.00
Profit					
					Steep slope plot (>25-45%)
					Very steep slope plot (>45%)
					3,865,000.00
					665,000.00

Note: cs = cropping season

The implementation of vegetative and terrace system was hoped to reduce the potential soil erosion. Generally, the best recommendation for soil and water conservation technology was to combine the vegetative and mechanical systems because such combinations are usually best for reducing soil erosion and decreasing conservation cost in long term as well as increasing short term economical benefits. The *F. moluccana* trees and *V. cylindrica* play a role as cover crop in the sloping lands that could avoid destructive effect of rainfall. In addition, the application of terrace system could reduce surface runoff and increase water infiltration into the deeper soils. Terrace agriculture could be adapted as a land-management practice and innovation in terms of the region and local conditions (Bocco and Napoletano 2017).

The erosion rate is also affected by soil properties, especially soil texture. The soil texture in the study site is silty loam that usually support the greatest diversity of plant life. The silt tends to be loaded with the soluble nutrients required by plants. The silt soil also has high content of organic matter. The soil in the study plots was

categorized as acidic soil, indicated by the pH value of lower than 5 and the low content of organic C, total N, P, and K. Tanaka (1999) stated the soil acidity could be a good indicator for the composition of exchangeable cations and it provided the capacity of the deeper surface to supply exchangeable bases to plant. It was regardless that the acidic nature of the soils might be due to the loss of exchangeable bases through uptake by plant and leaching under tropical environment (Hamzah et al. 2009)

The evaluation of erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard level could be used as an indicator to determine the erosion status in the area. The hydro-oroological parameters recorded in this study are shown in Table 7. The tolerable erosion rate for sloping lands is 25 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ at a soil depth of more than 100 cm (Rahim 1995). The erosion rate of both steep slope and very steep slope plots were less than 15 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ while the soil depth in the plot was more than 90 cm. The potential erosion rates in steep slope and very steep slope in studied plots were 0.38 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ and 1.31 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹, respectively. The erosion hazard index was 0.03 (low)

and 0.13 (low) for steep slope and very steep slope plots, respectively. The erosion hazard classes (class I) and erosion hazard level in both studied slopes belong to “very low” category.

The soil erosion rates recorded in the current study was lower than the values reported for some other agroforestry systems (Karyati et al. 2018; Sarminah et al. 2018; Sumarno et al. 2011) as presented in Table 8. This result implied that the combination of vegetative (*F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica*) and terrace system could be effectively implemented in different sloping lands.

Economic aspects

The implementation of vegetative (*F. moluccana-V. cylindrica*) and terrace system in different slope classes involves cost expenditure to buy planting and other materials, depreciation on equipments and wages of labor. On the other hand, implementation of this method gives revenue and profit, especially from *V. cylindrica* yield. Table 9 shows economic analysis of *V. cylindrica* as intercrop in vegetative (*F. moluccana-V.cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes. The material cost involved were for buying *F. moluccana* seedlings, *V. cylindrica* seeds, NPK fertilizer, pesticides, plastic strings, gunny sacks, and fertilizersto increase soil fertility. The profit of *F. moluccana-V. cylindrica* plantation in steep slope was Rp 3,865,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹ and in very steep slope was Rp 665,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹. This profit was from selling the yield from *V. cylindrica*.

The profit from *V. cylindrica* yield in steep slope was higher than *A. hypogaea* yield on agroforestry system of *F. moluccana-A. hypogaea* as reported by Karmini et al. (2017). The total cost, total revenue and profit related to *F. moluccana* and *A. hypogaea* agroforestry system was Rp 10,985,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, Rp 14,000,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹ and Rp 3,015,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹. However, growing *V. cylindrica* as intercrop in vegetative (*F. moluccana-V.cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in different slope lands is highly beneficial when compared to growing *G. max* in *A. cadamba - G. max* agroforestry system. Karmini et al. (2017) reported that growing *G. max* in *A. cadamba - G. max* agroforestry system involved total cost of Rp 11,019,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, total revenue was Rp 3,500,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, and the profit was Rp (-)7,519,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹. **The planting arbor trees and shrubs densely on the terrace riser slope could suppress gravity erosion, allow intensive cultivation, add economic benefits and extend development of the landscape efficiently (Cao et al. 2007).**

The implementation of a combination of vegetative and terrace system for soil and water conservation could be applied in the different slope lands. This practice will be beneficial based on silvicultural, hydro-oroological, and economic aspects. The short term economic benefit is provided by agricultural yield from the crop plant. In long term, this practice is beneficial in terms of soil and water conservation and environment aspects. The information of this study on silvicultural, hydro-oroological and economic aspects could be used for recommending alternative agroforestry systems in small scale, and soil conservation programs in a wide scale for all stakeholders including

farmers, foresters, private parties and the governmental agencies concerned with land management and soil conservation activities.

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Silvicultural, hydro-orological and economic aspects of a combination of vegetative (*Falcataria moluccana*-*Vigna cylindrica*) and terrace systems in soils of different slopes

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Keywords: Economic, hydro-orological, silvicultural, slope, terrace

INTRODUCTION

The over exploitation of natural resources which has exceeded the carrying capacity, coupled with population pressure on land resources, will lead to an increase in degraded land area. In Indonesia, 78 million ha area of land has been categorized as degraded land, of which, 48 million ha is slightly degraded area, 23 million ha is moderately degraded area and 7 million ha is highly degraded area (ADB 2016). The degraded areas are caused by biophysical, social, economical and cultural factors (Matatula 2009). One way to increase the quality of degraded land is by using soil conditioners, combined with soil and water conservation techniques, organic matter management and appropriate fertilization based on soil analysis and plant requirement (Tala'ohu and Al-Jabri 2008). The application of cultivation techniques in the marginal and sloping lands has to be combined with the integrated environmental factors (Budiastuti 2013). The policy concept that was found to reduce erosion rate in

watershed and sedimentation in reservoir is terrace and crop rotation system (Mardaeni et al. 2014). Edison et al. (2012) recommended vegetative land conservation technology to conserve cultivation land (*tegalan*), perennial plants in upstream area of *tegalan* and plantations in downstream area.

The mixed cropping of sengon (*Falcataria moluccana*) and peanut (*Arachis hypogaea*) as well as jabon (*Anthocephalus cadamba*) and soybeans (*Glycine max*) could be implemented in different soil slopes for rehabilitating and soil conservation in sloping lands, based on the growth and hydro-orological parameters (Karyati et al. 2018; Sarminah et al. 2018). These two agroforestry systems of *F. moluccana* - *A. hypogaea* and *A. cadamba* - *G. max* are feasible and applicable to rehabilitate and conserve the critical lands. Although planting of *G. max* was not profitable in some critical lands, the agroforestry system of *A. cadamba* and *G. max* still had many benefits from the aspect of ecology and conservation for long terms (Karmini et al. 2017). The production, harvested area, and productivity of *Vigna cylindrica* (long beans) in Indonesia

in 2017 was 381,185 ton; 56,111 hectare, and 6.79 ton hectare⁻¹, respectively (Ministry of Agriculture Republic of Indonesia 2018; Statistics of Indonesia 2018). In East Kalimantan, the production of *V. cylindrica* in 2017 was 71,456 quintal, while harvested area and productivity was 1,361 hectare and 52.50 quintal hectare⁻¹. The productivity of *V. cylindrica* in Samarinda in 2017 was 26.86 quintal hectare⁻¹, total production was 3,089 quintal and the harvested area of 115 hectare (Ministry of Agriculture Republic of Indonesia 2018; Statistics of East Kalimantan Province 2018).

The total land area of Samarinda City of East Kalimantan Province is 71.800,00 ha, out of which land area with less than 2% slope is 27.39%, 2-15% slope is 25.47%, 15-25% slope is 14.81%, 25-40% slope is 15.67%, and more than 40% slope is 13.02% (Statistics of East Kalimantan Province 2018). A combination of vegetative and terrace techniques of soil and water conservation may be the appropriate choice to rehabilitate sloping lands based on silvicultural, hydro-oro-logical and economic aspects. The plantations of forestry plants is hoped to provide silvicultural, conservation and economic values in a long term program. On the other hand, planting of agricultural plants is expected to provide short term economic benefits. The objectives of this study were to investigate silvicultural, hydro-oro-logical and economic aspects of implementation of a combination of vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace systems in different soil slopes, ranging from steep to very steep slope gradients.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Study area

This study was conducted in Educational Forest of Forestry Faculty of Mulawarman University, Lempake District, Samarinda City, East Kalimantan Province. The study duration was six months, from January to June 2018. The experimental forest covered a total area of 300 ha and was located at 0°25'10"-0°25'24" South latitude and 117°14'00"-117°14'14" East longitude, in between kilometers 10 and 13 of the Samarinda-Bontang Highway. Administratively, this experimental forest is situated in Tanah Merah Village, North Samarinda District, Samarinda City, East Kalimantan Province (KRUS 2013; KRUS 2014).

The study area received 211.5 mm monthly average rainfall, average air temperature is 27.4°C, and relative humidity was 82.2% (Karyati 2015). The average daily temperature and relative humidity inside the forest ranged from 23.7°C to -30.9°C and 81.4% to 99.3%, respectively. The average daily temperature and relative humidity outside the forest was 25.9°C-28.8°C and 76.0%-90.0%, respectively. The daily average light intensity ranged from 1.08 µmol to 18.41 µmol (Karyati and Ardianto 2016). The climate of Samarinda City was classified as type A climate (a quotient (Q) of 4.8 per cent) based on Schmidt and Ferguson (1951) system which is characterized by highly

humidity with a tropical rainforest vegetation (Karyati et al. 2016).

Procedures

Experimental procedures

Experiments were conducted in two 10 m x 10 m experimental plots which were located in areas with two different slope classes inside the experimental forest. One of these two experimental plots had a steep slope (>25-45%) and other had a very steep slope (>45%).

2 m wide terraces were made in each experiential plot. Terrace was completed by ditches sized 25 cm wide and 10 cm depth. Sengon (*F. moluccana*) and long beans (*V. cylindrica*) were planted on both plots. *F. moluccana* trees were planted with a spacing of 3 m x 3 m. *V. cylindrica*, as the intercrop legume, was grown in between the sengon trees. Two erosion measurement plots of 10 m x 3 m size were placed in each of the two experimental plots. The growth parameters were measured once in every month, for four months period. Plants were maintained by regular watering, weeding, fertilizer application, and pest and disease control. For economic evaluation, only the long beans were harvested, but not the sengon trees. The measurement of hydro-oro-logical parameters were conducted during 27 times rain events.

Analysis of soil properties

The analysis of soil physicochemical properties, such as pH, C organic, total N, P, K, and soil texture, were conducted in Laboratory of Soil Science, Tropical Forest Research Center, Mulawarman University. Soil pH was determined in distilled water and 1 N KCl in a soil to solution ratio of 1:2.5 by the glass electrode method. The C organik and total nitrogen (total N) were analyzed using Walkley and Black method (1934) and Kjeldahl method (1883), respectively. Soil P and K were analyzed using Bray 1 method (1954).

Data analysis

Silvicultural parameters

The observation and measurement of plant growth was conducted at the end of every month for four months. The observation was carried out on both *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* plants. The parameters studied for *F. moluccana* were plant survival rate, tree height, and stem diameter. For *V. cylindrica*, ground coverage and yield was recorded. The plant health was measured for both *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica*. A healthy plant was characterized as a plant with a normal height, fresh green leaves, normal stem, and no disease/pests and weed (Ministry of Forestry Republic of Indonesia 2009).

Hydro-oro-logical parameter

The hydro-oro-logical parameters measured in this study were surface runoff, potential soil erosion rate, erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard level (Hammer 1981). The erosion hazard index categories and erosion hazard level classification are shown in Table 1 and Table 2, respectively. The erosion hazard index is determined as potential erosion rate (ton ha⁻¹ year⁻¹)

divided by tolerable erosion rate ($\text{ton ha}^{-1} \text{ year}^{-1}$) (Hammer 1981).

Economic analysis

In this study, the analyzed economic aspects were cost, revenue and profit from long beans as intercropping in sengon (long beans) agroforestry systems. Cost is calculated from price and quantity of inputs, revenue is the price of produced yield, and profit is revenue minus cost (Slavin 2009).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Silvicultural aspects

The recorded plant growth parameters of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* for the two different slope classes are summarized in Table 3. The growth of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* combination were “moderate” to “very good” in the steep slope and very steep slope. The survival rate of *F. moluccana* in both slope classes was “very good” (90%). The ground coverage of *V. cylindrica* in steep slope was better (80-89%) than in very steep slope (70-79%). Meanwhile, the yield of *V. cylindrica* was also higher ($2,500 \text{ kg ha}^{-1}$) in steep slope when compared to the yield in very steep slope ($2,100 \text{ kg ha}^{-1}$).

The average of *V. cylindrica* yield in this study was almost similar to the average of Samarinda’s yield, but lower than East Kalimantan and Indonesia’s yield (Statistics of East Kalimantan Province 2018; Statistics of Indonesia 2018). However, *V. cylindrica*’s yield obtained in this study was lower than reported by Wahyu et al. (2018). Wahyu et al. (2018) reported that the productivity of *V. cylindrica* in Samboja Subdistrict, Kutai Kartanegara District, East Kalimantan Province was $7,010 \text{ kg ha}^{-1}$ and $13,640 \text{ kg ha}^{-1}$ from monoculture and agroforestry systems, respectively.

The monthly diameter and height increments of *F. moluccana* trees, measured for four months, are provided in Tables 4 and 5. The stem diameter and height increment of *F. moluccana* trees is faster in the slightly steep slope than in the highly steeper slope. The average stem diameter and height increments of *F. moluccana* were $2.02 \text{ cm year}^{-1}$ and

1.54 m year^{-1} in the steep slope, and $1.63 \text{ cm year}^{-1}$ and 1.19 m year^{-1} , in very steep slope.

The average diameter increment of *F. moluccana* in *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* agroforestry system (on steep and very steep slopes) was lower than those in *F. moluccana* and *Arachis hypogaea* agroforestry system (on slight steep and steep slopes) as reported by Sarminah et al. (2018). On the contrary, the average height increment of this combination was higher than those reported by Sarminah et al. (2018). Similarly, the diameter increment of *F. moluccana* in this study was also lower than those in agroforestry system, monoculture system, and intensive monoculture system (Swestiani and Purwaningsih 2013; Wahyudi and Panjaitan 2013). However, the average diameter increments of *F. moluccana* trees on the steep slope was higher than those planted in the conventional monoculture system (Wahyudi and Panjaitan 2013).

Hydro-orological aspects

The hydro-orological aspects were determined by surface runoff and eroded soil mass. Table 6 presents data regarding rainfall, eroded soil mass, and surface runoff volume in vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes. The result showed that the higher rainfall results in surface runoff and eroded soil mass. Several factors such as rainfall, slope, cover crop, and management practices have suspected influence on soil erosion in the study sites. The length and gradient of slope influences soil erosion. In the steeper slope lands, the rainfall tend to transport the soil particles into lower area faster. It will increase surface runoff and eroded soil mass as well erosion rate. The increasing slope and rain intensity have increased the runoff rate from 20% to 90% (Chaplot and LeBissonnais 2000).

Table 1. Erosion hazard index categories

Erosion hazard index	Category
< 1,00	Low
1,01-4,00	Moderate
4,01-10,00	High
> 10,01	Very high

Source: Hammer (1981)

Table 2. Erosion hazard level classification

Soil column (cm)	Erosion class				
	I	II	III	IV	V
	Erosion rate ($\text{ton ha}^{-1} \text{ year}^{-1}$)				
	<15	15-<60	60-<180	180-480	>480
Deep (>90)	Very low 0	Low I	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very heavy IV
Intermediate (60-90)	Low I	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very high IV	Very heavy IV
Shallow (30-<60)	Moderate II	Heavy III	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV
Very shallow (<30)	Heavy III	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV	Very heavy IV

Source: Regulation of Directorate General of Watershed Management and Social Forestry, Ministry of Forestry Republic of Indonesia (2013). Note: 0=Very low; I=Low; II=Moderate; III=Heavy; IV=Very heavy

Table 3. The growth parameters of *F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica* in the two different slope classes

Plant species	Steep slope (>25-45%)				Very steep slope (>45%)			
	Healthy plants (%)	Survival rate (%)	Ground coverage (%)	Yield (kg ha ⁻¹)	Healthy plants (%)	Survival rate (%)	Ground coverage (%)	Yield (kg ha ⁻¹)
<i>F. moluccana</i>	90 (Very good)	90 (Very good)	-	-	90 (Very good)	90 (Very good)	-	-
<i>V. cylindrica</i>	80-89 (Good)	-	80-89 (Good)	2,500	70-79 (Moderate)	-	70-79 (Moderate)	2,100

Table 4. *Falcataria moluccana* stem diameter increments (mm) in the two different slopes classes

Tree number	Steep slope (>25-45%)					Very steep slope (>45%)				
	D ₀	d ₁	d ₂	d ₃	d ₄	D ₀	d ₁	d ₂	d ₃	d ₄
1	12.10	12.85	14.15	16.15	18.68	14.40	15.00	16.05	18.25	21.10
2	9.25	10.00	11.25	12.80	15.00	6.20	6.95	7.90	9.25	11.00
3	8.20	8.90	10.10	11.65	13.85	9.10	9.70	11.00	12.95	15.50
4	5.10	7.80	9.05	10.60	12.50	9.70	10.20	11.25	12.75	15.10
5	12.70	13.65	14.95	16.90	19.25	11.10	11.65	12.90	14.85	17.35
6	8.60	9.55	11.00	12.70	14.75	6.75	7.35	8.30	9.60	11.25
7	5.30	8.00	9.20	10.90	13.00	6.60	7.30	8.40	9.85	11.70
8	7.40	8.15	9.40	11.05	13.00	6.40	7.00	7.95	9.40	11.15
9	10.30	10.90	12.05	13.55	15.50	8.40	9.00	9.95	11.30	13.00
10	10.10	10.80	12.20	13.90	16.10	10.40	11.10	12.15	14.05	16.45
11	5.70	8.50	9.75	11.40	13.55	8.20	8.85	9.80	11.15	12.90
12	10.30	11.20	12.45	14.20	16.60	9.10	10.00	11.50	13.30	15.65
13	11.40	12.10	13.40	15.55	18.20	7.10	7.75	8.80	10.30	12.05
14	6.30	9.10	10.20	12.05	14.15	10.35	11.00	12.20	13.70	15.65
15	10.80	11.50	12.90	14.95	17.55	7.25	8.00	9.10	10.50	12.20
16	4.15	8.75	9.75	11.55	13.65	14.40	15.15	16.50	18.29	20.19
Mean	8.61	10.11	11.36	13.12	15.33	9.09	9.75	10.86	12.47	14.52
SD	2.69	1.81	1.86	1.99	2.17	2.58	2.58	2.66	2.88	3.16
Annual diameter increment	20.18 mm year ⁻¹ = 2.02 cm year ⁻¹					Annual diameter increment 16.27 mm year ⁻¹ = 1.63 cm year ⁻¹				

Note: D₀ = initial stem diameter (diameter measurement at the beginning of experiment); d₁, d₂, d₃, d₄ = diameter at the end of the first, second, third, and fourth month after planting; SD=Standard Deviation

Table 5. *F. moluccana* height increments (cm) in the two different slopes

Tree number	Steep slope (>25-45%)					Very steep slope (>45%)				
	H ₀	h ₁	h ₂	h ₃	h ₄	H ₀	h ₁	h ₂	h ₃	h ₄
1	153	177	189	205	213	176	197	205	210	220
2	144	157	182	194	206	160	173	182	201	205
3	102	106	111	117	125	143	153	157	164	174
4	176	188	196	202	212	124	136	148	155	166
5	165	183	204	212	227	146	163	166	171	176
6	157	172	194	204	212	123	138	145	158	161
7	167	179	187	200	209	145	157	167	176	188
8	146	167	183	192	204	151	165	178	182	194
9	182	205	219	231	242	146	162	166	175	181
10	184	197	208	219	231	164	177	186	199	206
11	116	131	143	159	177	173	185	189	194	208
12	119	136	148	163	176	152	163	169	175	184
13	159	173	183	195	208	119	134	142	154	162
14	168	184	194	212	220	169	186	190	202	214
15	169	185	198	211	221	134	149	158	167	178
16	137	150	163	172	181	101	113	126	136	144
Mean	153	168	181	193	204	145	159	167	176	185
SD	24,10	26,21	27,59	28,10	28,03	21,03	22,03	20,79	20,69	21,48
Annual height increment	153.75 cm year ⁻¹ = 1.54 m year ⁻¹					Annual height increment 119.1 cm year ⁻¹ = 1.19 m year ⁻¹				

Note: H₀ = initial tree height (height measurement at the beginning of experiment); h₁, h₂, h₃, h₄ = height at the end of the first, second, third, and fourth month after planting; SD=Standard Deviation.

Table 6. Rainfall, surface runoff volume, and eroded soil mass in vegetative (*F. moluccana-V.cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes

Rain event	Rainfall (mm)	Surface runoff (L)		Eroded soil mass (g/30 m ²)	
		Steep slope (>25-45%)	Very steep slope (>45%)	Steep slope (>25-45%)	Very steep slope (>45%)
1	74	46.74	43.40	128.76	111.59
2	37	12.21	46.74	39.93	631.4
3	14	7.87	46.74	13.51	149.74
4	20	7.87	46.74	9.22	164.05
5	41	46.74	46.26	119.22	348.13
6	21	14.95	47.21	47.72	214.6
7	36	46.74	46.74	62.95	147.84
8	22	15.74	46.74	32.75	115.41
9	7	4.72	7.79	4.96	25.43
10	15	6.30	46.74	11.06	97.29
11	13	6.23	15.74	6.49	105.87
12	22	23.37	47.21	14.31	75.35
13	31	46.74	47.21	32.43	61.04
14	49	11.8	46.74	18.12	96.33
15	10	6.3	47.21	2.8	57.23
16	10	6.3	17.92	2.03	15.36
17	17	7.87	46.74	2.07	22.89
18	5	8.66	30.69	0.7	24.18
19	9	4.72	31.48	0.38	8.9
20	14	7.87	46.74	0.16	15.26
21	28	7.87	46.74	2.07	34.34
22	41	14.16	47.21	1.14	14.31
23	42	37.77	47.21	3.05	35.29
24	21	11.02	47.21	1.11	25.75
25	27	11.80	46.74	0.72	16.21
26	10	7.87	47.21	0.16	11.45
27	45	15.74	47.21	0.32	8.58
Total	681	445.92	1132.26	558.13	2633.81
Average	25	16.52	41.94	20.67	97.55

Table 7. The hydro-ological parameters in vegetative (*F. moluccana-V.cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes

Slope gradient	Surface runoff rate (m ³ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Potential erosion rate (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Tolerable erosion rate (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Erosion hazard index	Erosion hazard class	Erosion hazard level
>25-45%	305.77	0.38	25 ¹⁾	0.03 (Low)	I (Very low)	Very low
>45%	776.41	1.81	25 ¹⁾	0.13 (Low)	I (Very low)	Very low

¹⁾Soil depth in the study plot was >100 cm and the tolerable erosion rate for hills or slope lands was 25 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ (Rahim 1995)

Table 8. Comparison of soil erosion reported in the current study with earlier reports for other agroforestry plantation systems

Planting system	Erosion (ton ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Location	Researcher (year)
Soil and water conservation technique and application of agroforestry system	190.08	Ngadipiro Village. Nguntoronadi Sub-district. Wonogiri District. Central Java. Indonesia	Sumarno et al. (2011)
Agroforestry system of <i>A. cadamba</i> and <i>Glycine max</i>		East Kalimantan. Indonesia	Karyati et al. (2018)
Slope of >15-25%	32.13		
Slope of >25-45%	52.51		
Agroforestry system of <i>F. moluccana</i> and <i>A. hypogaea</i>		East Kalimantan. Indonesia	Sarminah et al. (2018)
Slope of >15-25%	20.05		
Slope of >25-45%	45.50		
Agroforestry system of <i>F. moluccana</i> and <i>V. cylindrica</i>		East Kalimantan. Indonesia	Current study
Slope of >25-45%	0.38		
Slope of >45%	1.81		

Table 9. Economic analysis of growing *V. cylindrica* as intercrop in vegetative (*F. moluccana* - *V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes

No.	Item/activity	Quantity	Unit	Price (Rp)	Total (Rp. ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹)
Production cost					
Material cost					
1	<i>F. moluccana</i> seedlings	1,350.00	units ha ⁻¹	3,000.00	4,050,000.00
2	<i>V. cylindrica</i> seeds	350.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	15,000.00	5,250,000.00
3	NPK fertilizer	100.00	kg ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	15,000.00	1,500,000.00
4	Pesticides	25.00	kg ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	30,000.00	750,000.00
5	Plastic strings	1.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	30,000.00	30,000.00
6	Gunny sacks	20.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	2,000.00	40,000.00
7	Fertilizer	50.00	units ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	25,000.00	1,250,000.00
	Sub total				12,870,000.00
Depreciation cost					
8	Hoe	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	125,000.00	20,833.33
9	Chopper	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	100,000.00	16,666.67
10	Sickle	2.00	units ha ⁻¹	60,000.00	10,000.00
11	Sprayer	1.00	units ha ⁻¹	350,000.00	17,500.00
	Sub total				65,000.00
Labor cost					
12	Land preparation	7.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	700,000.00
13	Planting	6.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	600,000.00
14	Fertilizing	4.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	400,000.00
15	Weeding	5.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	500,000.00
16	Pest and disease controlling	4.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	400,000.00
17	Harvesting	6.00	days ha ⁻¹ cs ⁻¹	100,000.00	600,000.00
	Sub total				3,200,000.00
Total cost					16,135,000.00
Total revenue from <i>V. cylindrica</i>					
	Steep slope plot (>25-45%)	2,500.00	kg ha ⁻¹	8,000.00	20,000,000.00
	Very steep slope plot (>45%)	2,100.00	kg ha ⁻¹	8,000.00	16,800,000.00
Profit					
					Steep slope plot (>25-45%)
					Very steep slope plot (>45%)
					3,865,000.00
					665,000.00

Note: cs = cropping season

The implementation of vegetative and terrace system was hoped to reduce the potential soil erosion. Generally, the best recommendation for soil and water conservation technology was to combine the vegetative and mechanical systems because such combinations are usually best for reducing soil erosion and decreasing conservation cost in long term as well as increasing short term economical benefits. The *F. moluccana* trees and *V. cylindrica* play a role as cover crop in the sloping lands that could avoid destructive effect of rainfall. In addition, the application of terrace system could reduce surface runoff and increase water infiltration into the deeper soils. Terrace is used to change the slope geometry which become more flatter. It is needed in order to improve sloping land stability (Purnamasari et al. 2014).

The erosion rate is also affected by soil properties, especially soil texture. The soil texture in the study site is silty loam that usually support the greatest diversity of plant life. The silt tends to be loaded with the soluble

nutrients required by plants. The silt soil also has high content of organic matter. The soil in the study plots was categorized as acidic soil, indicated by the pH value of lower than 5 and the low content of organic C, total N, P, and K. Fine soil grains usually tend to have high erosion risk because they do not form stable soil structures easily because of the fragile cohesion between their particles (A'Yunin 2008).

The evaluation of erosion hazard index, erosion hazard class, and erosion hazard level could be used as an indicator to determine the erosion status in the area. The hydro-ological parameters recorded in this study are shown in Table 7. The tolerable erosion rate for sloping lands is 25 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ at a soil depth of more than 100 cm (Rahim 1995). The erosion rate of both steep slope and very steep slope plots were less than 15 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ while the soil depth in the plot was more than 90 cm. The potential erosion rates in steep slope and very steep slope in studied plots were 0.38 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹ and 1.31 ton ha⁻¹year⁻¹

¹, respectively. The erosion hazard index was 0.03 (low) and 0.13 (low) for steep slope and very steep slope plots, respectively. The erosion hazard classes (class I) and erosion hazard level in both studied slopes belong to “very low” category.

The soil erosion rates recorded in the current study was lower than the values reported for some other agroforestry systems (Karyati et al. 2018; Sarminah et al. 2018; Sumarno et al. 2011) as presented in Table 8. This result implied that the combination of vegetative (*F. moluccana* and *V. cylindrica*) and terrace system could be effectively implemented in different sloping lands.

Economic aspects

The implementation of vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace system in different slope classes involves cost expenditure to buy planting and other materials, depreciation on equipments and wages of labor. On the other hand, implementation of this method gives revenue and profit, especially from *V. cylindrica* yield. Table 9 shows economic analysis of *V. cylindrica* as intercrop in vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in the two different slope classes. The material cost involved were for buying *F. moluccana* seedlings, *V. cylindrica* seeds, NPK fertilizer, pesticides, plastic strings, gunny sacks, and fertilizer to increase soil fertility. The profit of *F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica* plantation in steep slope was Rp 3,865,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹ and in very steep slope was Rp 665,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹. This profit was from selling the yield from *V. cylindrica*.

The profit from *V. cylindrica* yield in steep slope was higher than *A. hypogaea* yield on agroforestry system of *F. moluccana*-*A. hypogaea* as reported by Karmini et al. (2017). The total cost, total revenue and profit related to *F. moluccana* and *A. hypogaea* agroforestry system was Rp 10,985,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, Rp 14,000,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹ and Rp 3,015,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹. However, growing *V. cylindrica* as intercrop in vegetative (*F. moluccana*-*V. cylindrica*) and terrace combination system in different slope lands is highly beneficial when compared to growing *G. max* in *A. cadamba* - *G. max* agroforestry system. Karmini et al. (2017) reported that growing *G. max* in *A. cadamba* - *G. max* agroforestry system involved total cost of Rp 11,019,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, total revenue was Rp 3,500,000 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹, and the profit was Rp (-)7,519,000.00 ha⁻¹ cs⁻¹.

The implementation of a combination of vegetative and terrace system for soil and water conservation could be applied in the different slope lands. This practice will be beneficial based on silvicultural, hydro-oro-logica, and economic aspects. The short term economic benefit is provided by agricultural yield from the crop plant. In long term, this practice is beneficial in terms of soil and water conservation and environment aspects. The information of this study on silvicultural, hydro-oro-logical and economic aspects could be used for recommending alternative agroforestry systems in small scale, and soil conservation programs in a wide scale for all stakeholders including farmers, foresters, private parties and the governmental agencies concerned with land management and soil conservation activities.

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