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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

cm	Centimeter
E	Evenness index
H'	Diversity index
ha	hectare
M	Meter
mm	Millimeter
R1	Richness index
°C	Degree of Celsius
%	Percent

ABSTRACT

These studies were conducted in Bukit Bauk Forest Reserve at lower (148 m) and upper (345 m) elevations and in Sekayu Recreational Forest and lower (148 m) and upper (290 m) elevations to determine the diversity, abundance and distribution of Zingiberaceae in Bukit Bauk Forest Reserve and Sekayu Recreational Forest at lower and upper elevations and to examine the correlation of physical parameter that influence gingers diversity, abundance and distribution in both sites. There were nine species of Zingiberaceae found in both sites. The most abundance species in both sites was *Alpinia murdochii* that cover 66% (39 clumps) in Bukit Bauk Forest Reserve and 28% (23 clumps) in Sekayu Recreational Forest in the plot 0.2ha. Three species was found similarly between both sites which were *Zingiber* spp., *Zingiber otensii* and *Alpinia murdochii*. The diversity of gingers at lower elevation was higher than upper elevation in both sites. Four species was found at elevation 148 m and only one species found at elevation 345 m in Bukit Bauk Forest Reserve. While in Sekayu Recreational Forest seven species was found at elevation 101 m and three species at elevation 290 m. Sekayu Recreational Forest indicates more diverse and richness species ($R1= 1.60$, $H'= 1.81$ and $E= 0.87$) compared to Bukit Bauk Forest Reserve ($(R1= 0.74$, $H'= 1.01$ and $E= 0.73)$. The gingers distribution between both sites and elevations was similar. Physical parameter such as light intensity, soil pH and air humidity have influence the gingers diversity and richness in both sites. There are several factors that influence the diversity, abundance and distribution of gingers community such as disturbance and environmental factor between both sites.

TUMBUHAN HALIA DI HUTAN SIMPAN BUKIT BAUK DAN HUTAN REKREASI SEKAYU

ABSTRAK

Kajian tentang komposisi tumbuhan halia dijalankan di Hutan Simpan Bukit Bauk pada ketinggian 148m (aras rendah) dan 345m (aras tinggi) manakala di Hutan Rekreasi Sekayu pada ketinggian 101m (aras rendah) dan 290m (aras tinggi) untuk menentukan kepelbagaian, kelimpahan dan taburan tumbuhan halia di Hutan Simpan Bukit Bauk dan Hutan Rekreasi Sekayu serta mengenalpasti fizikal parameter yang mempengaruhi kepelbagaian, kelimpahan dan taburan tumbuhan halia di kawasan tersebut. Sebanyak sembilan species tumbuhan halia telah dijumpai di kedua-dua lokasi didalam plot 0.2ha. Spesies yang mempunyai kelimpahan paling tinggi di kedua-dua lokasi ialah *Alpinia murdochii* yang mewakili 66% (23 kelompok) di Hutan Simpan Bukit Bauk dan 28% (23 kelompok) di Hutan Rekreasi Sekayu. Terdapat tiga spesies yang mempunyai kesamarataan diantara kedua-dua lokasi iaitu *Zingiber spp.*, *Zingiber otensii* dan *Alpinia murdochii*. Kepelbagaian spesis tumbuhan halia pada aras rendah lebih banyak daripada aras tinggi di kedua-dua kawasan. Di Hutan Simpan Bukit Bauk, empat spesis tumbuhan halia dijumpai pada ketinggian 148 m dan hanya satu spesis pada ketinggian 345 m. Manakala, di Hutan Rekreasi Sekayu, tujuh spesis dijumpai pada ketinggian 101 m dan tiga spesis pada ketinggian 290 m. Hutan Rekreasi Sekayu mempunyai index kepelbagaian yang lebih tinggi ($R= 1.60$, $H'= 1.81$ dan $E= 0.87$) berbanding Hutan Simpan Bukit Bauk yang mempunyai index kepelbagaai yang lebih rendah ($R= 0.74$, $H'= 1.01$ dan $E= 0.73$). Taburan tumbuhan halia di kedua-dua kawasan dan ketinggian adalah sama. Fizikal parameter seperti cahaya, pH tanah dan kelembapan udara mempengaruhi kepelbagaian, kelimpahan dan taburan species tumbuhan halia di kedua-dua kawasan. Terdapat beberapa faktor yang mempengaruhi kekayaan, kelimpahan dan taburan spesies tumbuhan halia antaranya ialah tahap gangguan terhadap habitat dan faktor persekitaran di kawasan tersebut.