

### 3.0 PRODUCTION

Statistical information in this section was drawn from the magazine Asia Pacific Forest Industries, November 1988, and relates to 1987. Puan Roszehan bte Mohd Idrus, Director, Planning and Development of the Malaysian Timber Industry Board confirmed that these are the latest comprehensive figures available.

#### a) Logs

Log production in 1987 totalled 34.6 million cubic metres. Compared to 29.2 million cubic metres in 1986, it showed an increase of 18.5%.

A total of 9.8 million cubic metres of logs were produced from Peninsular Malaysia, 12.3 million from Sabah and 12.5 million from Sarawak.

#### b) Sawn Timber

In 1987, a total of 6.3 million cubic metres of sawn timber were produced. This reflects an increase of 21.2% over 1986's figure of 5.2 million cubic metres.

Production of sawn timber in Peninsular Malaysia totalled 4.8 million cubic metres, while Sabah produced 895,000 cubic metres and Sarawak 525,000 cubic metres.

#### c) Plywood

Production of plywood totalled 857,360 cubic metres in 1987. 720,360 cubic metres of the total production were from Peninsular Malaysia, 124,000 cubic metres from Sabah and 13,000 cubic metres from Sarawak.

#### d) Moulding

A total of 259,350 cubic metres were produced in 1987 with Peninsular Malaysia contributing 218,350 cubic metres and Sarawak 43,000 cubic metres.