

A Host of Green Campus: the Green Bird



Bogor Agricultural University (IPB) is the campus biodiversity of flora and fauna. One of the diverse fauna species found in this green campus is a warm-blooded animal which has special characteristics hairy or usually are called birds. On Saturday, December 5th, 2015 around 07.00 a.m., Observasi Wahana Alam (OWA) Division of Himabio IPB are gathered at *Blue corner* to start the observations of the biodiversity bird species. The equipments are SLR cameras, stationery and notes. With a cool early morning, we beginning the observations.

After we walked through Al-Hurriyah mosque, we stopped in front of a large tree that was right in front of the *Seafast* building. We heard the bird chirps that are called each other. The sound makes us look up and saw a group of birds who moved from one branch to another. After we pay more attention, we saw 3 different types of birds. The birds include Finches (*Pycnonotus aurigaster*), Sparrow (*Passer domesticus*), and Parrots (*Psittacula alexandri*). Finches and Sparrows are general, but the presence of a bunch of parrots perched in a tree was shocking us.

Birds that have common characteristics striking green bodies and closely related to parrots was rarely. Parrots have 34 cm size and a taper tail when perched. Parrots is usually like big trees for their habitat. Several species of parrots found in Indonesia, there are namely Nuri Bayan (*Electus roratus*), Betet Biasa (*Psittacula alexandri*), Serindit Paru-Merah (*Loriculus exilis*), and Serindit Sangihe (*Tanygnathus sumatranus*). Parrots that we encountered, we think as Betet Biasa (*Psittacula alexandri*) because of the blue feather, head and body covered with green feathers. Parrots have a wide distribution, start from Asia to Australia. Parrots is seed eaters. Their beak is big and strong . The things that distinguishes between a parrot and a cockatoos are their size and topknot that parrots are not owned. With the discovery of a green feather, this is a proof of the green campus biodiversity in Bogor which not only a mere opinions. -Galih Gibril Andalusia-