

Analysis of Vegetation Density and Land Surface Temperature Using Landsat Image in the Forest Area of KPHP Unit XII Batanghari

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ABSTRACT

Climate change is caused by global warming due to human activities that contribute to greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Land-based human activities result in changes in dense vegetation, especially forest stands to land cover with low vegetation density (non-forest). Changes in land cover cause changes in surface temperature and humidity conditions. The forest area in KPHP Unit XII Batanghari has undergone significant changes in land cover over the last twenty years. This study aimed to analyse the spatial distribution of vegetation density (NDVI) and land surface temperature (LST) using remote sensing data and in this study, Landsat 8 satellite imagery was assessed. Landsat images have two thermal bands and they can be analysed to obtain information about the existing land surface temperature at the time when the earth being scanned. The results showed that the vegetation density index or NDVI ranged from 0.132 to 0.866. The higher the NDVI value, the higher the vegetation density. The value of LST in KPHP Unit XII Batanghari varied, with a range of LST with a low temperature value of 18-25°C, where low temperatures have land cover classes in the form of secondary forest and other vegetated areas such as plantations and agriculture. Meanwhile, high temperature values are areas with open or non-vegetated land cover classes with a temperature range of 28-52 ° C.

Keywords: Forest Management Unit, NDVI, LST, Landsat Image.

1. INTRODUCTION

Forests play a very important role in climate change mitigation efforts, by absorbing CO₂ and turning it into an added dimension of trees. Loss of forest cover or a decrease in forest area or forest degradation causes greenhouse gas emissions so that the quality of the forest as a carbon sink also decreases.

Changes in land cover from forest to land cover classes other than forest will have an impact on ecosystem function, climate change and threats to biodiversity [1]. Vegetation can function as climate control. The role of vegetation as an absorber of solar radiation and when vegetation evaporates, it will have an impact on reducing the temperature of the environment by 5.50 C - 110 C. Humidity in well-vegetated areas will be higher than in areas that are rarely vegetated. This is due to the speed of wind turbulence in well-vegetated

areas so that the water vapor contained in the air mass does not move quickly [2].

Many studies have described how changes in land cover affect the surface temperature of objects. The development of the area into developed land is the cause of increasing surface temperature in cities and triggering climate change [3]. Built land is not only a residential area, but roads that connect between regions trigger an increase in surface temperature. The increase in surface temperature due to the development of urban areas reaches 2.26 ° C [4] to 8 ° C [5]. The increase in temperature depends on the location, season, and area of land built up in a city. Not only can urban development determine an increase in surface temperature, changes in land cover such as paddy fields after harvesting will have higher temperatures [6],[7]. Knowing the relationship between each category of land cover and surface temperature will be useful for identifying the relationship

between changes that have occurred [8]: [9]. This study aimed to analyse the spatial distribution of vegetation density (NDVI) and land surface temperature (LST) using remote sensing data and in this study, Landsat 8 satellite imagery was assessed.

2. METHODS

This research was conducted at the Production Forest Management Unit (KPHP) Unit XII Batanghari which is located at coordinates 102 ° 39'29.42 " - 103 ° 27'56.01" East Longitude and 1 ° 42'28,40 " - 2 ° 21 ' 34.32 "LS with an area of 81,149 hectares. Based on the division of government administration areas, KPHP Batanghari Unit XII is located in 3 sub-districts, namely Maro Sebo Ulu District, Bathin XXIV District and Bajubang District, Batanghari Regency.



Figure 1 Location map

The research stage started with image pre-processing such as image geometric correction and geo-referencing. Land cover map was derived from Landsat image by using supervised classification. The technique of supervised classification applied was maximum likelihood method. This map then was the used as a base to stratify the location for ground check. The system used as a reference in classifying land cover types is the system of the Forestry Planning Agency (2001). The ground check point will be determined by stratified sampling and the sample was purposively determined with the consideration of accessibility factor to the points location. Other important information was also recorded in field activities such as elevation, slope, and field condition.

The Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) is a representation of the level of greenness of vegetation. The NDVI value can be estimated from the Landsat 8 image that has been downloaded which is the same as the land cover image, NDVI analysis from Band 5 with Near-Infrared sensor and Band 4 with Red sensor with the formula: $NDVI = (Band\ 5 - Band\ 4) / (Band\ 5 + Band\ 4)$.

The Normalized Difference Moisture Index (NDMI) surface moisture index is used to evaluate the different humidity of elements of a landscape. The NDMI value can be estimated from the previously downloaded

Landsat 8 imagery which can then be analysed from Band 5 with a Near-Infrared sensor and Band 6 with a Short-Wave sensor. The range of NDMI values can be obtained from the results of Landsat 8 imagery processed using ArcGIS software with the formula: $NDMI = (Band\ 5 - Band\ 6) / (Band\ 5 + Band\ 6)$.

Land Surface Temperature (LST) is processed from Landsat 8 imagery using bands 10 and 11 because these bands can convert the digital number obtained from the image metadata to radians and then convert it in kelvin units. Kelvin temperature values will later be converted back to centigrade units this process is done digitally. The temperature that has been obtained is entered into the diagram to see the dynamics of temperature changes that occur at KPHP Unit XII Batanghari.

Landsat 8 image processing to obtain LST was first carried out, namely converting the Digital Number with the formula $L\lambda = ML * QCAL + AL$, after converting DN to TOA value, then converting the radiance value into a temperature brightness value.

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

3.1 Landcover Classification

The land cover classification is divided into 9 land cover classes, namely secondary forest, plantation forest, agriculture, shrubs, open land, mining, water bodies and clouds which can be seen in Figure 1. Land cover classification uses visual image analysis and digital analysis. Visual analysis is done by manually grouping pixels into a class and digital analysis by automatic classification based on the brightness (brightness value / digital number) of the sample. The land cover classification uses the supervised classification method, the stage of grouping through class signatures. Determination of sample areas and classification of land cover using the maximum likelihood method.

Table 1. Landcover classification

Landcover type	Area (Ha)
Secondary forest	17337,74
Plantation forest	5609,66
Cloud	599,086
Water body	199,036
Shrubs	3391,61
Plantation	8287,88
Bareland	8263,31
Mining	1237,01
Agriculture	36223,70
Total Area	81149,00

The landcover map was presented in Figure 2.

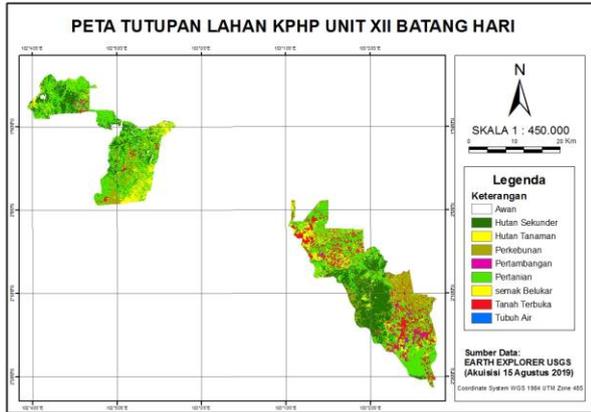


Figure 2 Landcover map

3.2 NDVI

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Table 2. NDVI of KPH Batanghari

NDVI	Area (Ha)
0.0 - 0.2	134.96
0.2 - 0.4	942.08
0.4 - 0.6	3964.19
0.6 - 0.8	62128.85
0.8 – 1.0	13978.94
Total	81149,00

Figure 3 showed the map of NDVI over the area of KPHP Unit XII Batanghari.

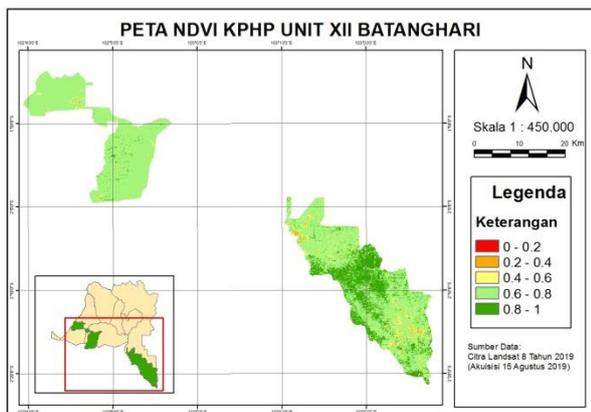


Figure 3 NDVI Map

3.3 NDMI

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The NDMI value obtained is then classified into 5 classes, namely <0 ; $0-0,008$; $0.008-0.17$; $0.17-0.35$ and >0.35 which can be seen in Figure 5. In the NDMI results the majority NDMI value at KPHP Unit XII Batanghari in 2019 is a high NDMI value, namely >0.35 covering an area of 55,463 which can be seen in table 4. The higher the NDMI value shows that the more humid area in the high NDMI area on the land cover map is secondary forest and plantation land cover. Meanwhile, the low NDMI value is found in land cover, namely open land.

Table 3. NDMI KPHP Unit XII Batanghari

NDMI	Area (Ha)
<0	2227,762
$0 - <=0.08$	2094,562
$0.081 - <=0.17$	3313,612
$0.171 - <=0.35$	17915,39
>0.35	55597,67
Total	81.149

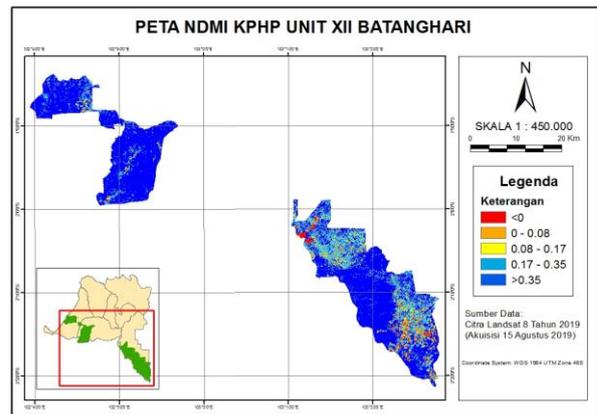


Figure 4 NDVI Map

3.4 Land Surface Temperature

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back to centigrade units this process is done digitally. The temperature that has been obtained is entered into the diagram to see the dynamics of temperature changes that occur at KPHP Unit XII Batanghari.

Landsat 8 image processing to obtain LST was first carried out, namely converting the Digital Number with the formula $L\lambda = ML * QCAL + AL$, after converting DN to TOA value, then converting the radiance value into a temperature brightness value .

The majority of LST values in KPHP Unit XII Batanghari have low temperature values of 18-23 ° C which can be seen in dark blue which on the land cover map of the area has secondary forest and plantation land cover so that the densely vegetated areas have relatively low temperatures. At high temperature values, namely 28-52 ° C, the land cover is the area where the dominant area is open land and there is oil mining. The temperature range in KPHP Unit XII Batanghari is the lowest 18 ° C and the highest 52 ° C which can be seen in Figure 3. In the gray area at 23-24 ° C is the area of PT. REKI, whose land cover maps are forest plantations and plantations, however, have a fairly high ESG value, this is because the surrounding area is a lot of open land and there are oil mining locations, which affects the temperature in the densely vegetated secondary forest area.

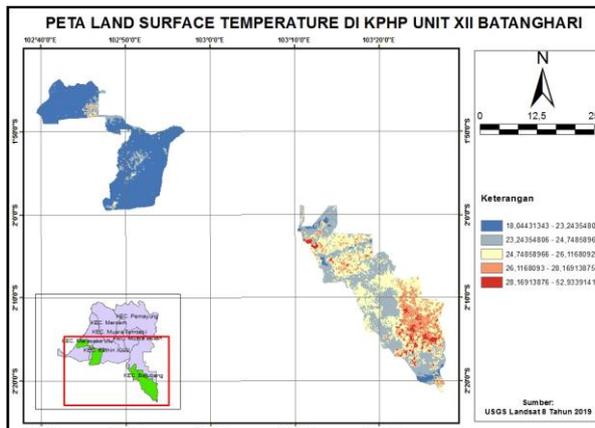


Figure 5 LST map

Spatially, in the area of high temperature is spread widely, will be accompanied by the reduction of the densely vegetated area in that area. Surface temperature and vegetation density are negatively and significantly correlated. This phenomenon shows that reduced vegetation has an impact on increasing surface temperature which in the long run can have various negative effects on the environment and humans [10].

3.5 Discussions

The importance of estimating the NDVI is essential since the amount of vegetation present is an important factor and NDVI can be used to infer general vegetation condition [11]. NDMI has a positive relationship with NDVI, the higher the NDVI value, the

higher the NDMI value and vice versa if the NDMI value is low, the NDVI value will be lower, because dense vegetation causes humidity and water content in the environment to be higher [12].

However, NDMI and NDVI have a negative relationship with surface temperature (LST) when the NDMI and NDVI values increase, the value of the surface temperature will decrease and vice versa if the NDMI and NDVI values decrease, the value of the temperature will increase. This has to do with the ability of vegetation to regulate its temperature through evapotranspiration. The main element that regulates surface temperature is the amount of radiation absorbed and the amount of water available in an area. The temperature will increase in both vegetated and non-vegetated areas when water availability is low. The Batanghari KPHP area is an area managed based on a zoning system. Where some of the KPHP Unit XII Batanghari area has also undergone a change in land cover due to the conversion of land into plantations and settlements and the increasing number of illegal logging activities.

4. CONCLUSIONS

The results of research up to this stage indicate that the vegetation density index or NDVI ranges from 0.132 to 0.866. The higher the NDVI value, the higher the vegetation density. The value of LST in KPHP Unit XII Batanghari varies, with a range of LST with a low temperature value of 18-25 ° C, where low temperatures have land cover classes in the form of secondary forest and other vegetated areas such as plantations and agriculture, while high temperature values are areas with cover classes open or non-vegetated land with a temperature range of 28-52 ° C..

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