

# Empowering Farmers: TNI Habema Task Force Distributes Seeds and Agricultural Tools in Omukia, Papua

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PUNCAK- As part of its **commitment to community welfare and food security**, the **Infantry Battalion Task Force (Satgas Yonif) Raider 323/Buaya Putih Kostrad**, a unit under **HABEMA Operations Command**, has once again extended its support to the **people of Papua's remote regions**. This time, the Task Force distributed **small agricultural tools and vegetable seeds** to farmer

groups in **Omukia District, Puncak Regency, Central Papua**, on **Wednesday (5/2/2025)**.

This initiative aims to **increase local agricultural productivity** while fostering **food independence** among the Papuan community. **Commander of the Yonif 323/Buaya Putih Kostrad Mobile Border Security Task Force, Lieutenant Colonel Tri Wiratno**, emphasized the importance of supporting farmers in improving their livelihoods.

**"We hope this assistance will be maximized by the farmers to boost their agricultural production. We also want to inspire the community to be more proactive in cultivating their land,"** he stated.

The aid package included **small farming tools such as hoes, sickles, and pest sprayers**, along with **a variety of vegetable seeds**, including chilies, tomatoes, onions, and beans.

The distribution was met with **enthusiasm and gratitude** from the Omukia farming community. **Yanes Tabuni, a representative of the local farmer group**, expressed deep appreciation for the initiative.

**"We are very thankful for this support. With these tools and seeds, we hope to improve agriculture in our district, leading to better harvests for our families and the community,"** he said.

This agricultural assistance aligns with the broader mission of **TNI in Papua**, which goes beyond security operations to **help fulfill basic community needs** and drive **regional development**.

**"The initiative of Task Force Yonif 323 Kostrad in distributing agricultural tools and vegetable seeds to Omukia's farmer groups is a tangible demonstration of TNI's dedication to accelerating Papua's development,"** stated **HABEMA Commander, Major General TNI Lucky Avianto**, upon receiving the activity report.

With initiatives like this, **TNI continues to strengthen its role as a protector and partner of the people**, ensuring that **Papua moves forward with sustainable agricultural growth and economic resilience**.

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