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KUALA LUMPUR: The Forest Research Institute of Malaysia (FRIM) has emerged as among the best tropical forest research institutes in the world via a list issued by the Spanish National Research Council (Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas)(CSIC).

FRIM Director-General Datuk Dr Abdul Latif Mohmod said FRIM was listed 546th out of 4,000 research institutes, as compared to 813rd in 2011, according to the latest CSIC report issued

in January.

“The ranking is made through a study by CSIC from several aspects such as research and through articles issued by FRIM.

“This is an appreciation of Malaysia, because in terms of forest research, not many countries are doing it,” he said during the FRIM-level World Forest Day Celebration and the handing of Malaysia Book of Records certifies to FRIM here, today.

Updated twice a year, the list is very comprehensive and includes

non-research bodies closely related to scientific activities, covering topics such as technology, social sciences and humanity.

The records given to FRIM were for the oldest wood sample, largest collection of wood samples in Malaysia, using the comp-mat and comp-pillow techniques for planting mangrove trees, Longest Planted Rattan Manau (120metres); First DNA Fingerprinting Database for Timber Tracking; and Denai Razak (400 metres long). -Bernama