

## **Rubber Trees Help Reduce Global Warming**

The rubber plantation can be considered as significant contributors towards reducing global warming through carbon sequestration.

Carbon sequestration is a process that removes carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. Simply put, sequester means to lock transiently. As far as rubber plantation is concerned, carbon is sequestered in plant parts, products, litters, debris and soil.

Total carbon sequestered in rubber plantation ranged between 235 tonne/ha/30 years and 574 tonne/ha/30 years.

As part of carbon strategies, Malaysia must adhere to the Kyoto Protocol mechanism which takes into consideration the effects of carbon sinks and sources, as well as for addressing issues related to fossil fuel emissions.