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Assistance in the Formation of Village Policy Regarding Child Protection in the Sigar Penjalin Tourism Village, Tanjung District, North Lombok Regency

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Abstract

Children are a generation successor. The nation's ideals, commitment and treatment that pay attention to the development and role of children as the nation's next generation are things that must be upheld by the leaders of this country. Children who are not yet mentally and physically mature must have their needs met, and be given proper education for their personal and psychological growth and development, so that in the future the children can grow and develop into children who can be expected to be the successors of the nation's ideals. Children have a strategic role in ensuring the existence of the nation and state in the future. So that they will be able to shoulder this responsibility in the future, children need to have the widest possible opportunities to grow and develop optimally, both physically, mentally, socially and spiritually. Children who, because of their condition, have not yet reached a mature level of growth and development are different from adults in general. Government Regions and communities have a very vital role in child protection. This is stated in article-chapter Child Protection Law, one of which is Article 9 paragraph 1 Law Number 35 of 2014. The high number of cases involving children in North Lombok, especially in Sigar Penjalin Village, Tanjung District, is starting to worry. Based on data from UPTD Protection of Children and Women North Lombok, by mid-2023 57 cases involving children have been found. Of the 57 cases, 42 were cases of child marriage and 12 cases were cases of sexual abuse of children. Based on the problems above, it is very necessary to assist in the formation of village policies regarding child protection. It is hoped that from the activity of Forming a Village Policy Regarding Child Protection in the Sigar Penjalin Tourism Village, North Lombok, there will be output in the form of sensitivity of village government officials, members of the Village Consultative Body, Community Figures; increase knowledge and encourage performance in synergy between village government officials, members of the Village Consultative Body and Community Leaders in producing legal products in the form of village regulations that will reduce the number of child problems in Sigar Penjalin Village, Tanjung District.

Keywords: Policy Formation, Child Protection, Tourism Village.

INTRODUCTION

Children are a generation successor to national ideals and have basic rights, just like adults. The issue of children's rights recently has been phenomenal, ranging from kidnapping, trafficking, to economic and sexual exploitation of children. Efforts to protect children's rights are violated by adults, the state or even their own parents who do not really pay attention to the interests of the child's future. In fact, children are the dream of the future, assets of the family, religion, even the future of the nation.

As part of the next generation of national ideals, children have a strategic role in ensuring the existence of the nation and state in the future. So that they will be able to bear this responsibility in the future, they need to have the widest possible opportunities to grow and develop optimally, both physically, mentally, socially and spiritually. Children are not small adults, but humans who, because their condition has not yet reached a mature

level of growth and development, are different from adults in general.

Local governments and all groups have a very vital role in child protection. This is stated in the articles of the Child Protection Law, one of which is Article 9 paragraph 1 of Law Number 35 of 2014. The high number of cases involving children in Central Lombok Regency, especially in Sigar Penjalin Village, District Cape North Lombok Regency, is worrying. Based on data from the Regency Child and Women's Protection UPTD North Lombok, by mid-2023 57 cases involving children have been found. Of the 57 cases, 42 were cases of child marriage and 12 cases were cases of sexual abuse of children.

In realizing governance for the fulfillment of children's rights by the government, it must be truly realized and carried out properly. A decent life and away from problems is the dream of every child, because children will be raised properly and properly. The village

government, as a government that has direct contact with children's lives, should be more active and more critical in voicing children's rights. Managing the fulfillment of children's rights by the village government must be carried out by providing policies that favor children in order to protect, safeguard, monitor and supervise children's rights.

Indicators of child problems are children who do not have birth certificates, children who have dropped out of school, children who live with one parent or live in another family, children who are malnourished or stunted, children with disabilities, children who do not have an ID card, and who do not have a BPJS or Healthy Indonesia Card. Children at risk have their lives and rights in the future threatened. In fact, their largest numbers are in villages that have long been considered an ordinary sight.

The existence of vulnerable children cannot be separated from trigger sources such as poverty and child marriage. Poverty makes parents look for work abroad, leaving their children entrusted to other families. Meanwhile, child marriage not only creates a threat of poverty, but also a threat to health.

In 2023, with a focus on the same issue, namely the issue of child protection, together with our team we conducted research related to the Effectiveness of Assistance from NTB Child Protection Institutions on Achievements of Priority Child Protection Programs in North Lombok Regency. This research aims to contribute ideas about handling problems, children in North Lombok, a continuation of previous research activities, it is very necessary to provide assistance in the formation of village policies regarding child protection. It is hoped that from the activity of Forming a Village Policy Regarding Child Protection in the Sigar Penjalin Tourism Village, North Lombok Regency, there will be output in the form of sensitivity of village government officials, members of the Village Consultative Body, Community Figures; increase knowledge and encourage performance in synergy between village government officials, members of the Village Consultative Body and Community Leaders in producing legal products in the form of regulations implementing village regulations that will reduce the number of child problems in Sigar Penjalin Village, Tanjung District, North Lombok Regency.

METHOD

Assistance activities for the preparation of village regulations use the following methods:

- 1. Socialization/FGD; namely activities carried out by the mentoring team which are carried out using the method of explaining material about child protection policies in the village and counseling about drafting village regulations, then from this series of activities the team will ask for input related to ideal child protection in Sigar Penjalin Village, Tanjung District, North Lombok Regency;
- 2. Discussion/Q&A; namely providing opportunities for participants to ask questions and respond to the activities and materials presented by the training and mentoring team;
- 3. Training and facilitation of drafting Village Regulations regarding prevention/protection of children in Sigar Penjalin Village, Tanjung District, North Lombok Regency.

The target audience for implementation of training and assistance and facilitation in the preparation of Draft Village Regulations concerning prevention of child marriage in Sigar Penjalin Village, Tanjung District, North Lombok Regency consists of: Village Head, Village Apparatus, Chair and Members of the Village Consultative Body, Child Activists, Heads hamlet head, community leader, youth leader, woman counselor, PATBM Sigar Penjalin Village.

DISCUSSION

Law of the Republic of Indonesia Number 06 of 2014 concerning Villages states that, "Village Regulations are statutory regulations stipulated by the village head after being discussed and agreed upon with the Village Consultative Body (BPD). Village Regulations (Perdes) are the legal framework for policies in administering government and

development within the village area. The stipulation of Village Regulations is an elaboration of the various authorities possessed by the village by referring to the provisions of higher laws and regulations. As a legal product, Village Regulations must not conflict with higher regulations and must not harm the public interest.

In the mentoring process The Draft Regulations Concerning Village Implementation of a Women-Friendly and Child-Caring Village was carried out by a Focus Group Discussion (FGD) activity which took place in the hall of the Sigar Penjalin Village Office, Tanjung District, North Lombok Regency on Thursday 29 August 2024 at 09.00-12.30 WITA. This activity was attended by the Head of Sigar Penjalin Village, the Chair of the Sigar Penjalin Village BPD and its members, representatives of the Hamlet Head, LPA KLU, LPA NTB, Lakpesdam NU, as well as representatives of the Sigar Penjalin Village Children's Forum.

This Focus Group Discussion (FGD) activity was carried out by dividing several sessions as follows:

1) Introduction

a. Head of Sigar Penjalin Village (Mr. Zawil Padli)

"With this activity, we can support the achievement of a Women-Friendly and Child-Caring Village in accordance with the priorities of the Central Government program, namely village development based on village SDGs. This also has a connection with the village government's mission to create an Inclusive Village. Because inclusion villages also requires involvement of all parties in helping development in the village. According to him, DRPPA is a benchmark for supporting NTB Zero Child Marriage and fulfilling the rights of women and those with disabilities. The village high-quality wants Village Regulation that can be implemented, so they need to criticize the draft Village Regulation in detail".

b. Chairman of BPD

"We would like to express many thanks to UNIZAR for assisting the village in preparing the draft DRPPA for this village regulation which was initiated by the village and with support from various parties. From this meeting, it is hoped that there will be a finalization of this village regulation before finalization and evaluation will be held by the sub-district head and the Regent, therefore it is hoped that Participants who attended were asked to provide input on the draft village regulation. Child marriage is still a real threat to our village, this situation still needs to strengthened with existing regulations. I am sure that if this partnership with **UNIZAR** runs optimally, our hopes can be achieved,"

c. Support Team

"Village regulations are processed democratically and participatively. Village communities have the right to propose or give input to the Village Head and BPD in the process of drafting Village Regulations. Village Regulations which regulate village authority based on origin rights and local scale authority are supervised in their implementation by the village community and the BPD.

The village regulations that will be formed are our shared commitment. It is hoped that these village regulations can provide a sense of security and comfort to children and women. This village regulation is also a form of joint commitment to look after each other and protect vulnerable groups. This village regulation is also expected to provide access and accessibility to the needs of women and children, such as preventing child labor (exploitation), children being allowed to work but still getting their rights as children. This village regulation is also expected to increase the age of marriage. In this village regulation, a mechanism is regulated when a case occurs so that all

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stakeholders in the village are actively involved in resolving child cases, such as sanctions, rewards for people who are active in prevention and then village action plans in protection of children, women and disabilities.

Training and Facilitation in Preparing Draft Village Regulations

In this session, after discussions with the village government, village consultative body, as well as invited guests, a special session was held regarding the preparation of draft village regulations regarding the preparation of draft village regulations regarding the implementation of a womenfriendly and child-caring village. During the preparation, the team prepared a draft village regulation, then the substance of the articles was adapted to the situation and legal needs in Sigar Penjalin village.

3) Discussion Questions and answers Questioner 1

- Appreciation was expressed to the village government for initiating the formation of village regulations related to the protection of women and children, but the draft village regulations should have been submitted to participants along with the invitation.
- The extract from this village regulation will be that there will be sanctions, so a role for the MKD is very necessary in implementing these sanctions.

2nd questioner.

- If this village regulation has been formed and follow-up will be carried out later, the burden will be on financing the implementation of this village regulation. Then who will carry out the financing in implementing these village regulations?

Response

UNIZAR Team.

- Regarding sanctions, usually in regional level regulations, the prison sentence cannot be more than 6 months or a maximum fine of 50 million. Then the question is who will enforce this village

regulation, so it is hoped that there will be social sanctions that apply in society. To strengthen this village regulation, there needs to be a commitment so that this village regulation runs in accordance with the mandate contained in the village regulation itself. Even though there are corrections in the draft village regulation, they can be submitted in this forum because there is still time for corrections and harmonization with the sub-district and district heads, so it is hoped that the community will provide input or suggestions so that this village regulation can be ratified.

Village Head's response

- That the preparation of the draft planning for making village regulations which was carried out today was neither the first nor the last, but there had been previous small meetings so that the draft planning for village regulations could be formed. Therefore, it is hoped that input from religious leaders, hamlet heads and the community is expected to be included in order to improve village regulations.

Participant input

- The sanctions and punishments in this village regulation are not yet clear, and the grammar is clear, so it is hoped that this village regulation will not have any rubber articles.
- There is no protection related to health in this village regulation.
- In this draft village regulation, there is no local wisdom, so it is hoped that this village regulation will accommodate the involvement of traditional religious figures in Sigar Penjalin village so that customary sanctions and local wisdom can be included in this village regulation.

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Documentation related to the implementation of activities is shown in Figures 1, 2 and 3.







The next activity, namely Finalizing the Draft Village Regulations Concerning the Implementation of a Women-Friendly and Child-Caring Village, will be held on Friday 20 September 2024 at 14.00-16.00 WITA, located in the multi-purpose room of the Sigar Penjalin village head's office. The activity of finalizing the preparation of village regulations was carried out by dividing into several sessions as follows:

1) Introduction to the Head of Sigar Penjalin Village (Mr. Zawil Padli)

"Through this finalization meeting, in order to maximize the drafted Village Regulations, input from the parties is expected, so that with input from these parties, the Village Regulation drafting team can add important points that must be regulated in the Sigar Penjalin Village Regulations regarding Implementing a Women-Friendly and Child-Care Village".

2) Discussion Session

In this session, participants attended the finalization meeting for drafting the Sigar Penjalin Village Regulations regarding Implementation of a Women-Friendly and Child-Care Village were given the opportunity to ask questions and respond to the activities and material presented by the village regulation drafting team. Several things that emerged and became a concern for participants were related to: a. What are the effective strategies and steps of the village government to handle children's problems and women's problems in the village? b. Hasn't a special task force been created or formed to deal with children's and women's problems in the village, considering the high number of such problems in Sigar Penjalin village? Some of these questions open up a wider discussion space so that the material conveyed is more optimal.

Documentation of finalization meeting activities:



Photo Caption 1



Photo Caption 2

CONCLUSION

Conclusions from the results of assistance activities in the formation of Sigar Penjalin Village Regulations regarding the Implementation of a Women-Friendly and Child-Care Village, the village government maximized the role of child and women's activist organizations in Sigar Penjalin Village, then the Village Government formed a Special Team in charge of drafting village regulations, so that with the existence of a special teamwork directions and village programs can be implemented optimally.

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