

## SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT UNIT – WORLD BANK

### MEDIA MONITORING REPORT VILLAGE LAW

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#### HEADLINES

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- **The Ministry of Villages provides various assistance on applied technology (TTG) to ten districts.** The assistance includes financial grant and technological devices to support local economic development program.
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- **The office for national and political unity (*Kesbangpol*) of Aceh Jaya district (Aceh) considered the lack of transparency of DD management as one of the triggers of local conflict.** Some of the ongoing conflicts in villages are related to conflicts that occurred in the last village head elections. Although electoral disputes have been mediated, tensions between groups in the community were transformed into disputes concerning DD management.
- **The Alliance of Indigenous Peoples of the Archipelago (AMAN) urges the Legislative Council (DPR) to ratify the Bill on Indigenous Peoples in the Plenary Session in October.** The DPR-initiated bill is expected to improve the implementation of the Constitutional Court (MK) Decree No. 35 of 2012 which decides that customary (*adat*) forests

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## 1. VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT

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No	District (Province)	Types of applied technology/sectors
1	Parigi Moutong (Central Sulawesi)	Coconut processing technology
2	Garut (West Java)	Coffee processing technology
3	Pesawaran (Lampung)	Cocoa processing technology
4	Bantaeng (South Sulawesi)	Seaweed processing technology
5	Belu (East Nusa Tenggara)	Drinking water processing technology
6	Pohuwato (Gorontalo)	Fish feed production technology
7	Fak-fak (Papua)	Seaweed processing technology
8	Sigi (Central Sulawesi)	Financial support to village-owned enterprises (BUMDes)
9	Bantul (D.I. Yogyakarta)	Agro-tourism
10	Bulukumba (South Sulawesi)	Water ponds/reservoirs development

**Sources:**

- [Sistem Keuangan Desa Harus Segera Dioptimalkan](#) – Pikiran Rakyat, September 25, 2017
- [Kemendes Beri Bantuan TTG Unggulan untuk 10 Kabupaten](#) – Suaramerdeka.com, September 30, 2017

**2. CORRUPTION AND ANTI-CORRUPTION MEASURES**

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In Cirebon district (West Java), Curug Wetan village head is named suspect in the corruption of the 2015 village fund. He allegedly embezzled Rp 129 million – out of Rp 235 million DD in 2015 - for investment.

In Central Java, the Boyolali district government invited police to oversee selection of 687 village officials, particularly to prevent bribes.

**Source:**

- [Berkas Sudah Diserahkan, Tersangka Suap Kajari Pamekasan Siap Disidang](#) – Antranews.com, September 27, 2017
- [Dana Desa Dipakai Investasi, Kades di Cirebon Diringkus Polisi](#) – Detik.com, September 26, 2017
- [Pemkab Boyolali Gandeng Polisi Awasi Pengisian 687 Perangkat Desa](#) – Detik.com, September 29, 2017

**3. DISBURSEMENT AND REPORTING OF DD**

The office for national and political unity (*Kesbangpol*) of Aceh Jaya district (Aceh) considered the lack of transparency of DD management as one of the triggers of local conflict. Some of the ongoing conflicts in villages are related to conflicts that occurred in the last village head elections. Although electoral disputes have been mediated, tensions between groups in the community were transformed into disputes concerning DD management.

Two villages in Banda Aceh City until Friday (29/9) have not received DD Phase 2 of 2017 because they have not submitted the 2016 accountability reports. Lamdom Village (Lueng Bata Sub-district) and Lam-gugob (District of Syiah Kuala) failed to submit the reports in a timely manner due to internal disputes with the village consultative body (BPD).

The absorption rate of DD 2017 Phase 1 in 148 villages in Mukomuko district (Bengkulu) is less than 50 percent or below the 75 percent target. The district received DD of Rp115 billion and ADD of Rp 54 billion.

**Sources:**

- [Dana Gampong Pemicu Konflik](#) – Serambi Indonesia, September 28, 2017
- [Dua Gampong Belum Cairkan Dana Desa](#) – Serambi Indonesia, September 29, 2017
- [Penyerapan Dana Desa Mukomuko Dinilai Sedikit Terlambat](#) –Antaraneews.com, September 25, 2017

#### **4. VILLAGE-OWNED ENTERPRISES**

Kayong district (West Kalimantan) issued a district regulation (Perda) on the Guidance in the Establishment of Village-owned Enterprises (BUMDes), which obliges the villages to form BUMDes.

A total of 91 village heads from Pidie Jaya district (Aceh) participated in a study visit on the management of village-owned enterprises (BUMDes) to Bantul and Gunung Kidul districts (Yogyakarta).

Three Village Owned Enterprises (BUMDES) in Malaka district (NTT) awarded commercial vehicles from the Ministry of Villages. The BUMDes will use the cars for transporting local agricultural products.

**Sources:**

- [Ketua DPRD Sukardi Dorong Desa Bentuk BUMDes](#) – Pontianak.tribunnews.com, September 27, 2017
- [Keuchik Studi Banding Ke Yogyakarta](#) – Serambi Indonesia, October 1, 2017
- [Tiga BUMDes di Malaka Dapat Mobil Pickup](#) – Kupang Pos, September 25, 2017

## 5. VILLAGE GOVERNANCE

The media reported measures taken by the local governments to address pressing issues in East Nusa Tenggara, West Java, and East Java. In Nginamanu Village, Ngada District (NTT), the village government established the Fire Concerned Community Forum (MPA). The forum aims to build people awareness of the dangers of fire through campaign and training.

In West Java, Garut district government instructed all 424 villages to build water reservoirs in 2018 to anticipate drought. Meanwhile, Indramayu district head ordered all village heads to draft Village Regulation (Perdes) on the Crime of Trafficking in Persons (TPPO), as part of an anti-trafficking campaign.

In Sidoarjo district (East Java), four villages in Krembung sub-district become locations of a pilot project on integrated waste treatment plant (TPST). These villages allocated a budget of up to Rp 200 million from the village budget (APBDes), among others for the construction of waste processing facilities and comparative study visit to Dau village (Malang Regency).

In Aceh, the Financial and Assets Management Agency (BPKAD) of Aceh Tamiang district released the blocking of the bank account belonging to Bandong Jaya Village after the village head who was involved in the legal case was dismissed. Separately in Aceh Singkil, the district government requires all villages to use the village financial system application (*Siskeudes*) by the end of this year. Adoption of this application would be one of the requirements of village funds disbursement.

In South Kalimantan, 26 village heads in Kotabaru District demanded an increase in allowance to the Provincial Legislative Council (DPRD). The village heads claimed that their monthly allowance, amounting to Rp1.250.000, is too low.

### Sources:

- [Kades Nginamanu Antisipasi Kebakaran](#) – Kupang Pos, September 28, 2017
- [Tiap Desa di Garut Wajib Miliki Embung untuk Cegah Kekeringan](#) – Detik.com, September 27, 2017
- [Kuwu Harus Susun Perdes Anti-Trafficking](#) – Pikiran Rakyat, September 26, 2017
- [Bikin TPST Desa Tahun Depan](#) – Jawa Pos, September 30, 2017

- [BPKAD Tamiang Buka Blokir Rekening Desa Bandong Jaya](#) – Serambi Indonesia, September 25, 2017
- [Laporan Keuangan Desa Gunakan Aplikasi Siskeudes](#) – Serambi Indonesia, October 1, 2017
- [Kades Tuntut Kenaikan Tunjangan, Sulit Terpenuhi](#) – Jppn.com, September 29, 2017
- [Puluhan Kades di Kotabaru Serbu DPRD Kalsel, Ini Permasalahan yang Dialaminya](#) – Banjarmasin.tribunnews.com, September 28, 2017

## 6. VILLAGE FACILITATORS

The Village Ministry instructed village facilitators to help refugees of the Mount Agung eruption in Bali. Village facilitators were requested to help collecting and distributing the aid to the evacuation camps. More than 15,000 people were displaced in Buleleng, Klungkung, Gianyar, Badung, Karangasem, Bangli districts and Denpasar city, after fears that the volcano is set to erupt.

### Sources:

- [Kemdes PDDT Kerahkan Pendamping Desa Bantu Pengungsi Gunung Agung](#) – *Krjogja.com, Sept 26, 2017*

## 7. VILLAGE HEAD ELECTION

In the Demak district (Central Java), village head election in 45 villages is considered prone to money politics. Certain candidates reportedly offer Rp 500 thousand per vote. In addition, four villages were declared vulnerable to horizontal conflict, namely Kebonbatur and Ringin Jajar (Mranggen sub-district), and Pamongan and Temuroso (Guntur sub-district).

The Gresik district government (East Java) stipulates that voters registered in the Office of Civil Registration (*Dukcapil*) and have electronic-ID cards and letter of recommendation may vote in the coming elections. The provision that the voter has been living in the village for at least six months does not apply.

The acting district head of Klaten (Central Java) inaugurated 48 village chiefs elected in the July 26 simultaneous village head elections. Village head elects will serve for the period 2017-2023.

**Sources:**

- [Calon Disinyalir Siapkan Rp 500 Ribu per Suara](#) – Suara Merdeka, September 28, 2017
- [Penduduk Boleh Ikut Coblosan Calon Kades](#) – Jawa Pos, September 29, 2017
- [48 Kades Klaten Dilantik di Bukit Cinta](#) – Media Indonesia, September 29, 2017

## 8. EDUCATION

The Executive Board of the Indonesian Early Childhood Education Association (HIMPA-UDI) of East Nusa Tenggara (NTT) Province is asking for government support to improve the welfare of early childhood learning center (PAUD) teachers. HIMPA stated that PAUD teachers in certain districts in the province receive only Rp 30-50 thousand of monthly allowance.

In Pidie district (Aceh), only around 30% of 730 villages have Early Childhood Learning Center (PAUD). The Pidie district head will issue a regulation (*Perbup*) requiring the utilization of village budget to establish PAUD.

**Source:**

- [Talenanain Ungkap Gaji Guru PAUD Rp 50 Ribu](#) – Kupang Pos, September 30, 2017
- [PAUD Masih Minim di Pidie](#) – Serambi Indonesia, September 25, 2017

## 9. HEALTH

The Gresik District Health Agency (East Java) recorded only 70 of 1,470 integrated service maternal and infant posts (*Posyandu*) have own building. Most Posyandu services are available in the village hall or the village apparatus house.

**Source:**

- [1.400 Posyandu Tak Punya Gedung](#) – Jawa Pos, Sept 26

## 10. INDIGENOUS PEOPLE

The Alliance of Indigenous Peoples of the Archipelago (AMAN) urges the Legislative Council (DPR) to ratify the Bill on Indigenous Peoples in the Plenary Session in October. The DPR-initiated bill is expected to improve the implementation of the Constitutional Court (MK) Decree No. 35 of 2012 which decides that customary (adat) forests are not part of the state forests. Following the MK decree, about 13,000 hectares of adat forests have been handed over to the indigenous peoples.

In South Kalimantan, AMAN strongly rejected the planned coal mining activities in Hulu Sungai Tengah district, arguing that the mining is located in the catchment area.

The Governor of East Kalimantan will issue governor instruction to all regents and mayors to involve indigenous peoples in the program to address deforestation.

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### Sources:

- [AMAN: RUU Masyarakat Adat Harapan Penyelesaian Konflik](#) –Antaraneews.com, September 27, 2017
- [DPR Didesak Segera Mengesahkan RUU Masyarakat Adat](#) –Metrotvnews.com, September 26, 2017
- [Tekan Kerusakan Hutan, Pelibatan Masyarakat Adat Didorong](#) – Kompas.com, September 29, 2017
- [Masyarakat Adat Menolak Tambang Batubara](#) – Kompas, September 30, 2017
- [Jual-Beli Atas Namakan Suku Anak Dalam](#) – Kompas, September 25, 2017



## 11. ADDITIONAL NEWS

- **EAST JAVA:** Sidoarjo district government (East Java) aims to complete the implementation of the One Village One Car Program this month. A total of 322 villages have received financial assistance of Rp 202 million from the district budget (APBD) to purchase operational vehicles ([Pencairan Tuntas 100 Persen](#) –Jawa Pos, October 1, 2017).
- **EAST NUSA TENGGARA:** The Malaka district government (NTT) purchased 15 tractors using the district budget (APBD) to support the implementation of the Malaka Agricultural Revolution (MRP) program. Local farmers will be allowed to use these tractors for free. The district sets a target to open 2,000 hectares of agricultural land by the end of 2017 ([Pemkab Malaka Datangkan Lagi 15 Traktor Desa](#) – Kupang Pos, September 25, 2017).
- **WEST KALIMANTAN:** Kubu Padi village in Kubu Raya district (South Kalimantan) will be divided into two villages. The new village, Padi Jaya, currently holds preparatory village status ([Desa Padi Jaya Mulai Oktober Pisah Administrasi](#) – Pontianak.tribunnews.com, September 29, 2017).

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