

## WEEKLY MEDIA MONITORING

### HEADLINES

- **President Joko Widodo is confident the poverty rate would drop to a single digit due to various poverty alleviation programs.** Data from the Central Statistics Agency (BPS) showed that the poverty rate had decreased from 10.64 percent in 2016 to 10.12 percent in 2017.
- The Ministry of Finance said from Jan. 1 to April 30, 2018, **the overall realization of village fund only reached Rp14, 27 trillion (23.79%), or lower than Rp16.65 trillion for the same period last year.**
- The Minister of Villages, Disadvantaged Areas Development and Transmigration said, **the central government has wired 97.18 percent of Village Fund Phase 1 to the districts, and 50 percent of the fund has been distributed to villages.** Only four districts that have not received Village Fund Phase 1.
- Director of Local Government Supervision at the Development Finance Comptroller (BPKP), Doddy Setiadi said, **10 provinces have implemented Village Financial System (Siskeudes) in all villages for reporting purposes,** including West Kalimantan.
- Director of the Workers Social Security Agency (BPJS Ketenagakerjaan) Agus Susanto said about **215,000 villages officials have been registered in the social security program.**

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### 1. VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT

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President Joko Widodo expressed optimism that the poverty rate would decline to a single digit thanks to various poverty alleviation programs, including the Family Hope Program (PKH), whose coverage would be expanded from six million to 10 million households. According to data of the Central Statistics Agency (BPS), the poverty rate had declined from 10.64 percent in 2016 to 10.12 percent in 2017.

Finance Minister Sri Mulyani Indrawati said the realization of the cash-for-work program in the first four months of 2018 was slower than expected, as preparation and planning at village level requires more time. The Minister aims to increase the realization of cash for work in the next disbursement phase.

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## 2. VILLAGE FUND ALLOCATION AND DISBURSEMENT

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Director General of Fiscal Balance at the Finance Ministry said the distribution of Village Funds Phase 2 to the local government only reached Rp4.68 trillion (19.5 percent).

The media reported the development of village fund disbursements in several provinces. In West Java, most villages in Bandung Barat District have not received the fund. In Cianjur District, over 94 percent of villages have received it. In South Kalimantan, 70 percent of villages in Tanahlaut District have met the requirements of Phase 1 disbursement. In Papua, none of the villages in 27 districts/cities received Village Fund Phase 2.

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- [Pencairan Dana Desa Tersendat, Begini Penjelasan Kemenkeu](#) – Viva.co.id, May. 17, 2018
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- [Sri Mulyani Akui Penyaluran Transfer Dana Desa Melambat](#) – Tempo.co, May. 18, 2018
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- [Mendes: Dana Desa Tahap Pertama Sudah Tersalurkan 97%](#) – Detik.com, May. 14, 2018
- [Pencairan di 27 Daerah Terancam Terhenti](#) – Kompas, May. 19, 2018
- [20 Desa Dipastikan Belum Bisa Terima Dana Desa](#) – Pikiran Rakyat, May. 19, 2018
- [Suhaimi Yakin, Dana Desa di Kecamatan Kintap Dicairkan, Sudah Siapkan Data dan Dokumen](#) – Banjarmasin.tribunnews.com, May. 18, 2018
- [Dana Desa Belum Cair, Terancam Dikembalikan](#) – Pikiran Rakyat, May. 19, 2018

## 3. CORRUPTION AND ANTI-CORRUPTION MEASURES

In East Nusa Tenggara, Belu District Attorney is investigating an alleged misappropriation of village fund in Baodaok Village during 2015-2017 period.

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In Central Kalimantan, the village head of Papar Pujung in Barito Utara District, was named as suspect of village fund corruption. The suspect was not arrested after returning Rp122 million to the authority.

In Maluku, Seram Barat District Police are investigating the case where 1.5 percent had been deducted from the 2017 Village Fund Allocation (ADD) in 92 villages to fund district church choir competition.

In Aceh Barat District, Aceh, a dispute occurred between village officials of Keutambang and villagers who submitted a report on alleged Village Fund irregularities to the audit team.

**Sources:**

- [Kejari Belu Sudah Terima Hasil Audit dari Inspektorat Terkait Dana Desa Baodaok](#) – Kupang.tribunnews.com, May. 18, 2018
- [Kades Papar Pujung Barut Kembalikan Uang Korupsi DD](#) – Antaranews.com, May. 16, 2018
- [Bantah pemotongan ADD untuk Pesparawi](#) – Ambon Express, May. 18, 2018
- [Inspektorat Seharusnya Bijak Saat Memverifikasi](#) – Serambi Indonesia, May. 20, 2018

#### 4. VILLAGE GOVERNANCE

Director of Local Government Supervision at the Development Finance Comptroller (BPKP), Doddy Setiadi said, 10 provinces have implemented Village Financial System (Siskeudes) in all villages for reporting purposes, including West Kalimantan.

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In Bali, Karangasem District has launched a pilot project on civic service called Smart Village in Duda Timur Village.

In Bandung Barat District, West Java, officials in 31 villages have participated in Smart Village Program trainings.

**Sources:**

- [Kalbar Masuk 10 Provinsi Penerapan Siskeudes 100 Persen](#) – Pontianak.tribunnews.com, May. 14, 2018
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- [Menuju Desa Pintar, Aparatur Dilatih TI](#) – Pikiran Rakyat, May. 14, 2018
- [Terapkan Smart Desa, Pemkab Karangasem Catatkan Rekor Muri](#) – Suaramerdeka.com, May. 19, 2018

#### 5. HEALTH

In Central Java, Wonosobo District, that has 29 percent stunting rate, was selected as one of the 100 priority areas for stunting eradication program by the central government. Meanwhile, the neighbouring Salatiga District, set a target of handling 279 stunting cases this year.

**Sources:**

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  - [Kasus Anak Kerdil Perlu Penanganan](#) – Suara Merdeka, May. 15, 2018.
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## 6. INDIGENOUS PEOPLE

Dayak Customary Council (DAD) of Central Kalimantan demanded an oil palm company to pay Rp577 million fine. The company's security team was accused of damaging indigenous sites and locals' houses when chasing oil palm thieves who had fled to a neighbourhood in Kotawaringin Timur District.

**Source:**

- [Rusak Situs Adat Dayak, perusahaan Didenda Setengah Miliar Rupiah](#) – Liputan6.com, May. 15, 2018

## 7. ADDITIONAL NEWS

- **EAST NUSA TENGGARA:** Dozens of villagers in Tauanas, Timor Tengah Selatan District, reported the village head to the police for forging the signature of citizens in the mining permit documents issued for a private company ([Warga Adukan Kades Tauanas](#) – Kupang Pos, May. 19, 2018).

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