

ABSTRACT

THE EVALUATION OF CONDUCT OF POVERTY MITIGATION POLICY THROUGH NATIONAL PROGRAM OF RURAL AUTONOMOUS SOCIETY EMPOWERMENT (PNPM MPd) IN 2011-2012 (A Study in Talang Jawa Village of Merbau Mataram Sub District in South Lampung District)

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The National Program of Rural Autonomous Society Empowerment (PNPM MPd) is a program with a common objective to mitigate poverty based on development of society autonomy by improving society capacity, local government, and providing social and economy structure and infrastructure. Therefore, the PNPM MPd presents to improve rural poor society welfare and job opportunity by encouraging autonomy in making decision and managing development. Talang Jawa village in Merbau Mataram sub district of South Lampung district is one of village receiving fund grant for physical and nonphysical activities. The objectives of this research were to describe and analyze results from National Program of Rural Autonomous Society Empowerment (PNPM MPd) in Talang Jawa village in Merbau Mataram sub district of South Lampung district in 2011-2012, and its supporting and inhibiting factors. This was a descriptive qualitative research. Data were collected with interviews, Observations, and documentations.

The results showed that the conduct of National Program of Rural Autonomous Society Empowerment (PNPM MPd) was not effective because of ineffective targets of Female Loan program (or SPP) there were groups lately repaying business capital loans, less enthusiasm and responsibility of the users in joining the activity socialization, and some people considered PNPM as a project not coming from government policy.

The researcher recommends: 1) the conduct of the program requires studies to determine and select targets of Female Loan program (or SPP) activities to be more effective and goals and objectives are properly achieved; 2) administrators

and practitioners of PNPM MPd in rural level and sub district level need to improve socialization and information about the program; 3) groups in Female Loan program (or SPP) should repay the loan immediately because it will influence the next loan activities.

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