

ABSTRACT

THE INHIBITING FACTORS OF REGISTER 45 FOREST CONFLICT SETTLEMENTS IN MESUJI DISTRICT (A Study on Conflicts of Register 45 Forest Encroachers)

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Forest has important position and role to support national development. Forest is also a natural resource being capitals in improving economic growth by exploiting it. Forest has a high economic value, but it also raises potential conflicts.

The objective of this research was to find out the inhibiting factors of Register 45 forest conflict settlements in Mesuji district conducted by government. The inhibiting factors could be seen from internal factor (government) and external factors (public and PT. Silva Inhutani Lampung). This research used a descriptive qualitative method. Data were primary data collected from depth interviews, surveys and observations; and secondary data from documents and literatures.

The researcher found an interesting case where the conflict involved government, public, and company. Conflict was caused by low public awareness of law. To mitigate the problem, government had established an Integrated Team to overcome the conflict, but the conflict was not yet resolved. This was interesting to study because the conflict has been running so long and left unfinished until this day.

The research based on theory of conflict, theory of social change, theory of human needs. The research results showed that the conflict was not yet resolved because the following inhibiting factors. 1) the internal obstacles from government included: a) less qualified human resources, b) limited budget, c) obstacles on regulations; 2) the external obstacles from a) public included: (i) local culture obstacle, (ii) economic need fulfilments, (iii) law awareness, (iv) encroacher support strength; b) external obstacles from PT. Silva Inhutani Lampung including: (i) capitalism culture, (ii) communication to public.

The conclusion is that the government should be more assertive in resolving the conflict so that the conflict in Register 45 forest can be resolved as soon as possible.

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