



Harmonization of Masque Youth Formation as a Foundation for Society

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Abstract:

This research aims to explore the process of forming mosque youth groups at Darun Na'im Mosque, Batur Village, Krajan Hamlet, and analyze their role in creating a harmonious community foundation. The research uses a qualitative approach with a descriptive method. Data were obtained through in-depth interviews, participatory observation, and documentation, which were then analyzed qualitatively. The results showed that the process of forming mosque youth groups is carried out through participatory religious and social activities, such as Islamic studies, skills training, and social activities. The active involvement of youth in planning and implementing activities shapes responsible character and leadership skills. In addition, the harmony built in the mosque environment shows the strategic role of youth in strengthening community social relations. Full support from mosque administrators and the community is a supporting factor for the success of this development. However, challenges such as limited funds and busy youth schedules require more attention to maintain program sustainability. This research concludes that the effective formation of mosque youth groups can create a young generation with character and contribute to creating a harmonious society. The research results are expected to be a reference for mosque administrators and related parties in developing optimal development strategies.

Keywords: Mosque youth formation, social harmony, community foundation

Abstrak:

Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengeksplorasi proses pembentukan kelompok remaja masjid di Masjid Darun Na'im, Desa Batur, Dusun Krajan, dan menganalisis perannya dalam menciptakan fondasi masyarakat yang harmonis. Penelitian ini menggunakan pendekatan kualitatif dengan metode deskriptif. Data diperoleh melalui wawancara mendalam, observasi partisipatif, dan dokumentasi yang kemudian dianalisis secara kualitatif. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan bahwa proses pembentukan kelompok remaja masjid dilakukan melalui kegiatan-kegiatan keagamaan dan sosial yang bersifat partisipatif, seperti kajian keislaman, pelatihan keterampilan, dan bakti sosial. Keterlibatan aktif remaja dalam perencanaan dan pelaksanaan kegiatan membentuk karakter tanggung jawab dan jiwa kepemimpinan. Selain itu, kerukunan yang terbangun di lingkungan masjid menunjukkan peran strategis pemuda dalam memperkuat hubungan sosial masyarakat. Dukungan penuh dari pengurus masjid dan masyarakat menjadi faktor pendukung keberhasilan pembangunan ini. Namun, tantangan seperti keterbatasan dana dan kesibukan pemuda membutuhkan perhatian lebih untuk menjaga keberlanjutan program. Penelitian ini menyimpulkan bahwa pembentukan kelompok remaja masjid yang efektif dapat menciptakan generasi muda yang ber karakter dan berkontribusi dalam menciptakan masyarakat yang harmonis. Hasil penelitian ini diharapkan dapat menjadi referensi bagi pengurus masjid dan pihak terkait dalam menyusun strategi pengembangan yang optimal.

Kata Kunci: Pembinaan remaja masjid, keharmonisan sosial, yayasan masyarakat

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INTRODUCTION

The mosque has a strategic role not only as a place of worship but also as a center for the development of young generations who contribute to social life. One form of this role is the formation of mosque youth, aimed at developing their religious, social, and leadership character. The involvement of youth in mosque activities is an effort to maintain the continuity of Islamic values and harmony in society (Azzet, 2019).

Harmonious mosque youth development has the potential to create a tolerant and morally high society. The harmonization in the formation of mosque youth involves various aspects, including the development of spiritual values and social skills. Through this process, youth are expected to become agents of change who bring positive impacts to their surroundings. However, challenges such as lack of mentoring and community support can hinder the formation of ideal mosque youth (Suryani, 2021).

At Darun Na'im Mosque, Batur Village, Krajan Hamlet, the formation of mosque youth is a strategic step in strengthening the social foundation of the community. The activities carried out by mosque youth are not only limited to religious activities but also involve social activities that positively impact the surrounding community. Thus, the mosque functions as a center of social harmonization involving various age groups within the community (Hasanah, 2020).

Effective mosque youth development requires a comprehensive approach involving various parties, including mosque administrators and the community. The activities designed must be able to cultivate a sense of togetherness and social responsibility. Additionally, support from religious leaders and the surrounding community is also key to successfully forming youth with integrity and positive values that can be transferred to society (Nugraha, 2021).

With the harmonization of mosque youth formation at Darun Na'im Mosque, it is hoped that a more harmonious society with a strong social foundation will be established. Youth involved in mosque activities can become role models for their communities and create positive social changes. This proves that religion-based development can contribute significantly to social life (Ridwan, 2022).

RESEARCH METHODS

This research employs a qualitative research method with a descriptive approach. This method was chosen as it is suitable for in-depth exploration of the mosque youth formation process at Darun Na'im Mosque, Batur Village, Krajan Hamlet, as well as understanding the harmonization established as a foundation for society. The descriptive approach is used to provide a clear depiction of the studied phenomenon based on data obtained from the field (Sugiyono, 2018).

1. Research Location and Subjects

The research was conducted at Darun Na'im Mosque, Batur Village, Krajan Hamlet. The research subjects included mosque administrators, mosque youth, and community members involved in mosque activities. The selection of this location was based on the mosque's role as a center for youth development actively engaged in religious and social activities.

2. Data Collection Techniques

Data in this study were collected using several techniques:

In-depth Interviews: Conducted with mosque administrators, mosque youth, and community members to obtain information related to the mosque youth formation process and its impact.

3. Data Analysis Techniques

- a) The data obtained were analyzed using qualitative data analysis techniques consisting of three stages:
- b) Data Reduction: The process of selecting and simplifying relevant data.
- c) Data Presentation: Organizing data into structured narratives.
- d) Conclusion Drawing: Summarizing the research findings based on the analyzed data (Miles & Huberman, 2014).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

1. The Process of Mosque Youth Formation at Darun Na'im Mosque

The formation of mosque youth at Darun Na'im Mosque is carried out through various systematically designed programs by mosque administrators. The main activities include weekly religious studies, organizational skills training, and social activities such as community clean-up efforts around the mosque. These programs are designed not only to enhance the religious understanding of the youth but also to shape them into responsible individuals who care about their surroundings.

The involvement of youth in planning and implementing activities is one of the strategies used to build a sense of ownership toward the mosque. Youth are given opportunities to design activity schedules, lead events, and evaluate programs that have been conducted. Through this approach, they learn to make decisions and develop leadership skills. This approach aligns with participatory education theory, emphasizing the importance of active involvement in the learning process.

However, this formation process does not come without challenges. Some youth face difficulties in maintaining consistent attendance due to their busy school schedules. To address this issue, mosque administrators strive to adjust activity schedules so they do not interfere with formal education. This strategy demonstrates flexibility in managing developmental programs aimed at maintaining high youth participation levels.

2. Harmonization Formed in the Mosque Environment

The activities carried out by mosque youth have been proven to foster harmonious relationships within the Darun Na'im Mosque environment. Positive interactions between youth, mosque administrators, and the surrounding community create a more conducive atmosphere for religious and social activities. Youth actively participating in the mosque do not only play a role as event attendees but also as agents of change, bridging different community groups.

One form of this harmonization can be seen in the increasing participation of the community in activities initiated by mosque youth, such as social services and Islamic holiday celebrations. These activities serve as moments to strengthen inter-community relationships and build a sense of togetherness. The role of youth as activity initiators provides positive contributions to creating a more dynamic and harmonious social environment (Nugraha, 2021).

Furthermore, the harmonization that has been formed is also evident from the community's growing support for mosque youth. The community offers support in

the form of donations and encouragement for them to remain active in mosque activities. This support serves as proof that the role of mosque youth is recognized and appreciated as a crucial foundation in social life.

3. Supporting and Inhibiting Factors

Several supporting factors in the formation of mosque youth at Darun Na'im Mosque have been identified. One of them is the full support of mosque administrators, who provide opportunities for youth to be creative and contribute. Additionally, the responsiveness of the surrounding community towards youth activities serves as important social capital in creating a conducive environment.

The enthusiasm of the youth in participating in activities is also a significant supporting factor. They show high enthusiasm in engaging in the programs that have been designed, particularly those with social and educational elements. This indicates that the younger generation has great potential to become positive agents of change when properly nurtured (Ridwan, 2022).

However, there are several inhibiting factors that need to be addressed. Limited funds for conducting large-scale activities pose one of the challenges faced by mosque administrators. Moreover, the busy schedules of the youth due to formal education demands often make it difficult for them to attend all programs. Therefore, more flexible time management and efforts to seek financial support from various parties are necessary to ensure the sustainability of mosque youth activities.

CONCLUSION

The harmony built within the mosque environment is one indicator of the success of this development. The positive relationships between youth, mosque administrators, and the community create a conducive atmosphere for fostering values of togetherness and cooperation. Mosque youth act as bridges between various community groups, enabling them to create positive social change.

However, some challenges need to be addressed, such as limited funding and youth's busy schedules with formal education. Therefore, flexible time management and efforts to seek financial support from various parties are needed to ensure program sustainability. With structured development and maximum support, mosque youth are expected to continue evolving into agents of change who bring great benefits to society.

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