

TRANSNATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MIGRANT WORKER: DISCUSSION ON ILLEGAL NETWORK

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Abstract

This paper aims to discuss the function of illegal agency and its extension for arrangement and persuasion people to migrate become an international migrant worker. This illegal agency on which produce negative effect to migrants worker condition in their future where they are allocated in foreign country. Local people to who mostly come from remote and rural area of Indonesia with low background education are pushed to be international migrant worker by a huge promise of their bright future, however, the persuasion could be as trap for local people and in fact migrant worker become sexual worker in other country. This extended illegal agency is under cover, has an international network among countries, and not easy to recognize their activity as illegal. For those, this evidence would be useful for policy maker and stakeholder to keep watch out the regulation and procedure of migrant recruitment and to anticipate human trafficking.

Keywords: *international migrant worker, illegal network and illegal agency*

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Background

Total number of Indonesian migrants worker sends to another country steadily increase dramatically from year on year. It reported by Indonesia Ministry of Manpower, Indonesia sent 474,310 workers abroad in 2005, up 24.6 percent on a year earlier (The Jakarta Post, 2006). This fact as a response and coincidence as push factor for migrants worker since increasing the unemployment rate in Indonesia and shrinking jobs opportunity at labour market, moreover, worsening the economic condition in Indonesia especially micro-economy due to collapsing real sector. Minister of Manpower Erman Suparno said that, “Indonesia has long encouraged the sending of semi-skilled and skilled manual workers abroad in a bid to boost foreign exchange earnings for the Southeast Asia's largest economy and to reduce unemployment at home”.

The function of illegal agency for trans national and international migrants worker and its extension for arrangement and persuasion people to migrate become an international migrant worker. This illegal agency on which produce much more negative effect to worker condition in their future where they are allocated in foreign country rather than positive effect. Local people to who mostly come from remote and rural area of Indonesia with low background education are pushed to be international migrant worker by a huge promise of their bright future, however, the persuasion could be as trap for local people and in fact migrant worker become sexual worker in other country. This extended illegal agency is under cover, has an international network among countries, and not easy to recognize their activity as illegal. By using qualitative study on tracing and picturing their activity and trick's operation in the country and inter country, it can be found the problem-solution. For those, this evidence would be useful for policy maker to

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keep watch out the regulation and procedure of migrant recruitment and to anticipate human trafficking.

Objective

- a) To observe, identify and portray the root map of the chain of illegal agency of Migrant's worker recruitment in a diagram.
- b) To capture the accurate process of migrants worker recruitment up to rural area, and applying in-depth study by interviewing migrant worker from selected area research.
- c) To support availability of correct information about the migrant worker recruitment scheme in order reducing problem for migrant worker before their departure and their lives abroad.

Data Source

Trans national and international Survey in 2004, based on field experience of researcher for doing research on its topic through in-depth study and based on close-open end structured questionnaire. Additional quantitative and qualitative data from any sources included literature study will also be applied in order to strengthen the sharpen analysis. Data processing will be applied by using SPSS to produce cross tabulation data.

Research Method

Household (HHs) sample of Trans and International Migrants Worker selected by applied sampling frame from the Indonesia National Labour Force Survey (NLFS). The Area sample selected by purposive sampling founded on high concentration of migrant worker allocated in the selected are. Unit sample of survey is tracing by applying a snowy balling theory sample.

Descriptive analysis of cross tabulation is implemented in this paper. Moreover, supporting fact of qualitative data as a result of in-depth interview also shows as accurate evidence. Some findings will support suggestion to policy maker and decision maker in order to creating policy on migrant's worker security.

Expected Finding

The accurate scheme of illegal agency of trans national and international migrant's worker recruitment and knowing the way how it is operated, it will become a clear answer to overcome and stop their operation especially on human trafficking.

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