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Teungku Dayah Agency and Religious Social Capital on Drug Eradication in Aceh, Indonesia

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Abstract

This article examines the success of religious social capital and the agency of teungku dayah (Islamic scholars who belong to traditional religious school) in the collective drug eradication movement in Ujong Pacu, Lhokseumawe-Aceh, Indonesia. The role of religious social capital in combating the drugs market in global drug policy has been less studied. This study provides a quite different view from most scholars who work for combating drug dealers by engaging participation of religious communities in rural society. The agency of teungku dayah succeeded in mobilizing the villagers due to the social capital that bonded the community based on religious ties. The article used live-in method, observation, in-depth and interviews to build a sociological imagination about the patterns of social practice of the people who become the subject of the research. The researchers lived in one of the villager's houses, participated in their discussions, listened to the gossip, worshipped with them and were involved in certain jobs carried out by the community members who targeted informants. Using religious social capital, this article argues that teungku dayah effectively used the social and religious capital of the Ujong Pacu community to conduct drug eradication. Religious social capital has strong ties in unifying elements of the people in the same religion, moreover it becomes an energy that keeps motivating the community to run anti-drugs movement and driving out the drug addicts in Ûjong Pacu, Lhokseumawe-Áceh.

Keywords:

religious social capital; Islamic traditionalist scholars; drug eradication; Aceh

Introduction

Statistics find that 4.5 million Indonesians are drug addicts and there are about 40-50 people who die every day because of narcotics (Ng, Kissenkoetter, & Sorby-Adams, 2015). Due to this, Indonesian law enforcement and institutional law does not provide a significant solution, because according to Lindsey and Nicholson (2016) thesis, the government of Indonesia is still dealing with corruption issues and ineffective law enforcement in relation to drug-related offenses. These approaches seem not effective to restrain the numbers, because the main problem is the drug addicts.

According to ASEAN Drug Monitoring Report (2016), in 2016 the government arrested 47,391 suspects consisting of 47,228 Indonesian citizens and 163 foreigners. However, the Indonesia government cannot turn around from these paradigms, because alternative approaches still have not received much attention. Besides, the research mainstream on drugs eradication using the law, health policy or political studies approaches (McRae, 2017; Sabarinah, 2019; Koram, 2019).

According to Pettus (2016) religion is still usable as alternative approaches to combat drug abuse in this millennium. Unfortunately,



works of literature that draw the religious aspect in drug eradication have not been paid much attention (Pettus, 2016; Francis et.al, 2019). Contrary to this condition, we found interesting cases where a religious community in Aceh (Indonesia) succeeded in directing religious social capital into social force against drug eradication. This article is written to contribute towards developing a suitable conceptual framework for linking religious social capital and drug eradication in rural communities.

Just like other literature in social capital studies, the religious social capital is divided into two underpinnings, first viewed as an asset of an individual (Bourdieu, 1986; Coleman, 1990), second, an asset of society (Putnam, 1993). In religious social capital literature, society level paradigms divide in two groups. First, seeing the religious social capital as cognitive awareness that arises from the effort to the personalization of religious norms (Chen & Williams, 2016; Bokek-Cohen & Ben-Asher, 2018; Francis et.al, 2019). Second, religious social capital is determined by structural aspects of religion (Kaplowitz, 2015; Kaasa, 2015; Park & Sharma, 2016; Pettus, 2016; Deller, Conroy & Markeson, 2018; Scott, 2018). Kaasa (2015) criticized the cognitive awareness perspective because it ignored the community participation in associations and voluntary organizations. Consistently with a structural perspective, this article focuses on religious social capital formed by structural aspects. However, the absence of these works was believed that religious social capital is limited because it cannot consolidate society to move beyond the tasks of the congregation or the community service. By forwarding Ling and Dale's (2013) theory, that showed social capital cannot be utilized as a social force without an individual agency to reduce the barrier in community, this article examines teugku dayah agency in mobilizing rural Muslim community to fights drugs abuse. The novelty of this article is that religious social capital can be seen as a community resource to shape participation in generating social resistance.

To display our argument, this article investigated teungku dayah's agency in Ujong Pacu, Lhokseumawe—Aceh to throw out the drug addicts by utilizing religious social capital. Ujong Pacu is a village in Muara Satu sub-district, Lhokseumawe City, Aceh-Indonesia. The population in Ujong Pacu village is 1,293 with 312 households. Nearly 96% of the population is Acehnese, while the remaining 4% are Javanese and Minangnese (The Geuchik Ujong Pacu Office, 2015). Like most agrarian areas, the main source of income for the people is from the agricultural sector. This village has 230 hectares of plantations, 73 hectares of fishponds and 35 hectares of rice fields (The Geuchik Ujong Pacu Office, 2009). Most of the villagers work as farmers. This historical fragment of agricultural economics, although not entirely, was cut off during a period of intense conflict between the Indonesian government and the Free Aceh Movement in 1976-2005 (Thorburn, 2012). This military's strategy had significant negative impacts on the livelihoods of Acehnese (Smith, 2015).

In the case of the Ujong Pacu, many of the villagers created other options to make money. Most of them were employed as GAM's snooper, arms smuggler, logistic suppliers and medicine suppliers (Muzakir, personal communication, January 15, 2018). Being GAM employers is common practice for most of Acehnese when the conflict destroys other sources of income. But tragedy came afterward when a Memorandum of Understanding between the Indonesian government and GAM was signed, those who previously worked for GAM lost their source of income. The villagers were no longer interested on-farm because they too had long left their fields and ponds.

In this difficult situation, in mid-2007 several GAM members who had migrated to



Malaysia in order to avoid being arrested by the Indonesian authorities, returned. Most of these people worked in the informal sectors such as porters, construction workers, and truck drivers while staying in Malaysia. Separatist movements that do not have financial support from the state (Clarke, 2016) commonly experience this situation. Their return was initially welcomed as they were generous and built good relationships with the villagers. These people who have just returned from Malaysia settled in Ujong Pacu and then became drug addicts and recruited youths. After the end of the conflict, former GAM members found it hard to find a suitable job. They did not have skills in farming and did not have much capital to start a new business. Given that situation, joining a transnational drug business was a much easier way to get some money.

Consequently, between 2007 and 2014 Gampong Ujong Pacu was known as the village with the massive drug business (Nuriman Daud, personal communication, 30 July 2017). According to Daud (personal communication, 30 July 2017), at least there are fifteen dealers who work for one big dealer in Ujong Pacu village. The market transactions carried out ranged between seventy-five million to one hundred and five million rupiahs per person. This large number is very far compared to the income obtained from doing manual labor. Apart from the large numbers, the villagers think that the pieces of stuff sold by the drug addicts are dope. So, the villagers and teungku dayah do not observe drug trafficking because they think that the drugs are dope. Most of the villagers are farmers, and they need strong stamina for work in twelve hours a day, so that material is worthwhile. But, after years the villagers discover that the stuffs are not dope, but crystal meth.

The villagers' and *teungku dayahs* knew that crystal meth is a type of dangerous drugs, they start worried. This situation creates anxiety

among teungku dayahs. As a Muslim society, teungku dayahs reject the presence of drugs dealer in Ujong Pacu because it is forbidden by Islamic law. Also, the villagers have been frustrated by the issue that God will punish their village if they are not combating drug dealers collectively. In fact, some forms of crime such as theft started to disrupt the safety of the villagers. To respond to this condition, teungku dayahs initiated the resistance movement in 2014. In Acehnese society, teungku dayahs has high social status and charismatic persona in the eyes of the community (Ichwan, 2011). The teungku dayahs movement that took inspiration from Islamic values succeeded in building a community participation in combating drug trafficking.

To understand this case, we constitute a question: How religious social capital inspired counterwork to the drug addicts? The second question is how teungku dayahs used this capital to mobilize villagers and counter the drug addicts? To provide these answers, first, we will examine the act of religious leaders in mobilizing villagers to counterwork the drug addicts in Ujong Pacu. Second, we will glance at the role of religion as a social capital in Ujong Pacu village. This study seeks to extend the research on drug eradication using religious social capital theory by examining the agency of Islamic traditionalist scholars (teungku dayahs) in combating the drug addicts in rural areas.

Literature review

The contribution of religious social capital in drug eradication has not drawn much attention. Excerpts for Pettus (2015) and Francis et.al (2019), the works that examine the role of religion in drug eradication, in a few years still hard to find. The mainstream literature on drug eradication focuses on institutional paradigm, especially legal and political institutions (Schleifer & Pol, 2017; Ferreira, 2015); Van Ooyen-Houben & Kleemans, 2015). Although the amount of literature related to religious

norms and drug eradication is less, the findings which showed the role that can be played by religion in efforts to combating drug abuse should be appreciated (Pettus, 2015; Francis et.al, 2019). Although both works have made important contributions to this study, the limitations of their research still leave a wide gap, especially in examining the ways the religious community can build networks against drugs.

Pettus looked at the influence of religious institutions on the fights of drug abuse through the analysis of theological roots and how the Church "war on drugs" reshaped in international and domestic law. The initial assumption built in this research is the emphasis on the fact that in Christian theology, drug abuse is sin and the missionaries had been against drug abuse for a long time. This study gives contribution because examines the roots of religious norms in early imperial narcotics policies that have been encoded in international and domestic law. Contrary to other studies (Ooyen-Houben & Kleemans, 2015) that do not mention religious aspects in narcotics policies, Pettus (2015) shows faith-based organizations agenda that are advocating certain views on drug use and harm reduction policies. However, this research reveals that only a few of the efforts built by religious organizations that have direct contact with other institutions in the field. Religious organizations only work at the top level (government, religious institutions, and exclusive followers) without actively moving at the grassroots.

Francis et.al (2019) studies examine religiosity influence on drug eradication using quantitative data. This study uses a large sample (20,277 students as population) to see the level of religiosity and religious associations towards the tendency of sexual disorders, alcohol addiction and drug use in adolescents. Francis et.al (2019) show that religious associations, as well as the level of religiosity in students, influence the results

of their research. In students who have, both categories found a slight tendency for sexual disorders, alcohol addiction, and the use of drugs. Francis et al (2019) have no conclusions that neither the secular association nor the religious association has any influence on the propensity for drug use. The absence of this study cannot provide a full explanation and reveal to what extent the influence of religion on drug eradication can be useful. Instead of explaining the influence of religion contributes to drug awareness, this study is stuck in between secularity and religiosity questions. Nevertheless, Francis et.al (2019) have examined the necessary conclusion that religion effectively motivated individuals or groups to combat drug abuse.

Previous works did not provide a comprehensive and in-depth explanation related to the role of religion in combating drugs. Instead of giving new directions to the study of drug eradication by presenting religion as a potential alternative approach, the above literature leaves important questions to what extent the potential of religion is a capital for the community in reducing drug abuse. For that cause, an outline of the study sought to enrich the study of the relationship between religion and drug eradication using the theory of religious social capital.

In some arguments, this article is similar to the previous literature concluded, as it states that religion is an effective force in combating drugs. In Ujong Pacu, religious preacher agency and religious social capital are successful in combating the drug addicts. Even though previous works and our article stand in the same argument, still there is an opposite thesis because of this study advance by looking at the capacity of a community to utilize religion int drug eradication by focusing the analysis on the religious social capital. Given this, the article analyzes the *teungku dayah* agency that successfully mobilized the villagers to combat drug trafficking using religious norms and religious status.



As part of the discussion on social capital, religious social capital follows the recent social capital studies. Following Lancee's argument (2012: 24), this article shows that the religious social capital as a bonding capital because "having dense ties and thick trust." These ties and thick trustful function in integrating religious communities by collecting resources owned by the members of an individual's close and dense social network, which may become available to the individual as a result of the history of these relationships (Lancee, 2012). Putnam (1993) states that religious social capital has strong ties and shares the same identity in the homogeneous communities. The case in Ujong Pacu, teungku dayahs agency succeeded in mobilizing the villagers by integrating their resources through the unification of religious norms and social moral values.

To enrich the theory of religious social capital, we must address some different definitions in the literature on social capital. In social capital theory there are three major schools (Swart, 2017). First, Coleman (1990) with the functionalism approach explains that social capital is not a single entity, but a diverse entity that has two characteristics: it consists of several aspects of social structure and functions to facilitate individual actions in the structure. The next school was introduced by Bourdieu (1985) who saw social capital as a whole of both actual and potential resources associated with ownership of a fixed network of institutional relationships based on mutual recognition and mutual knowledge. Finally, Putnam (1993) who said social capital as a characteristic of social organizations, such as networks, norms and trust that facilitate coordination and cooperation to get mutual benefits.

This article follows the latest tradition by believing that social capital is seen as a network of social relations bound by norms so that it is effective in forming cooperation. The norms and networks in Putnam's (1993) theory have a significant role to facilitate participation of individuals at society level (Kaasa, 2015). According to this perspectives, Kaasa (2015) examines the society-level social capital as an aggregate of the social capital of individuals living in that particular country or region (Kaasa: 2015, 773). Not contrary from Kaasa (2015), Scott (2018) defines religious social capital pertains to resources available to individuals through social connections within a religious community. Society-level perspectives criticized by scholars from individual-level traditions because they did not pay attention to the religious cognitive stimulus in individuals who participated in community (Bokek-Cohen & Ben-Asher, 2018). The absence examines the capability of individuals to form a social participation, revealing that society level is not utilized to analyze religious social capital formation in religious communities. The individual-level tradition emphasized analysis in religious social capital covered general trust and cognitive awareness individuals in community (Chen & Williams, 2016). In hence, individual-level traditions had deficiencies in explaining the mutual links between norms and networks when observed individual parts in community participation (Park & Sharma, 2016; Misane & Niklass, 2016; Scott, 2018; Morello, 2019).

The critics from the individual-level still have contribution because has shown the gap in society-level traditions in analyzing the presence of an individual in community-scale action. This article contributed to fill the theoretical gap in structural-level traditions by analyze initiates the role of religious norms on binding individuals to promote networks in religious social capital studies. According to this, the article does not stand in individual-level traditions and more often stands in structural-level traditions.

Lancee (2012) states that all kinds of bonding models in social capital theory can be driven by the individual agency. He argues that collective social capital (at level society) is not more (or less) than the sum



of its individual parts. However, Lancee did not clearly outline how individuals can function social capital. According to this, this article offers Ling and Dale (2013) theoretical analyses that demonstrate agency actions by both individuals and communities needed to mobilize social capital. The effectiveness of the work of the agency's actions explained clearly through the formula of Ling and Dale (2013):

Agency = (capacity + reason to act (perceived need or threat) + social capital) – barriers at the community level.

This formula requires prerequisites like: (i) there is no shortage of social capital, there is necessary connections between people and networks are strength or connected; (ii) there is the requisite leadership to motivate the process; (iii) there is a necessary skill (capacity); (iv) there is a pressing and common concern to rally around; and (v) there is no barriers that stifle action are present.

Methods

The research was carried out in Ujong Pacu village, Muara Satu sub-district, Lhokseumawe City, Aceh Province. This location was selected due to the massive use of drugs in this area that the village was called "drug village." The circulation process was coordinated well since the distribution agents, as well as the mafias, were domiciled within the village. Community anxiety spread due to the disruption of social life caused by their activities. The prevention and eradication efforts conducted by the village apparatus always ended in failure. This was partly triggered by the low integration of the masses and also the demoralization of the movement after the counterattack from drug mafias (Campbell, 2014). The article was written based on research conducted for seven months using the live-in method. The main purpose of this method is that researchers can build a sociological imagination about the patterns of the social practice of the people who become the subject of the research.

The researchers lived in one of the villager's houses, participated in their discussions, listened to the gossip, worshipped with them and were involved in certain jobs carried out by the community members who targeted informants. Those kinds of jobs included cutting grass for livestock, taking care of the fishponds and harvesting rice. These strategies do not only gain sociological imagination but also the emotional and close relationship between researchers and villagers. Furthermore, the researchers could also obtain as much information as possible.

The informants in this study were the drug addicts, teungku dayahs and villager groups involved in the collective movement against the drug addicts. There were three teungku dayahs involved and became the key informants. They were Abu Hasballah Nisam, Abati Babah Buloh and Abi Muslim At-Thahiry. Village leaders who became informants were Nuriman Daud (movement leader), geuchik (village chief), Tuha Peut (Village Representative Body), Teungku Imeum (religious leader) and youth leaders. Meanwhile, the informants from the drug addicts were Cimeng, Geulanteu and Gogot. The researchers also interviewed several villagers who randomly selected. The process of data analysis was carried out interactively.

Results

Teungku dayahs Capacity in Ujong Pacu

Putnam's theory on social capital suggests that social networks have value at three levels: individual, community and societal (Rademacher & Wang, 2014). According to Rademacher & Wang (2014) the individual ties to community and societal with connecting interpersonal relationships, feelings of reciprocity and trust. This cultivates feelings of social solidarity and overall social cohesion strength of social ties. The network formed based on certain social norms becomes important in supporting the success of a community movement.



Just like in another community in Aceh, the Ujong Pacu villagers' social system was formed by Islamic norms (Wormser, 2012; Kloss, 2014). Islamic values and norms that instruct their people to help each other, bear each other's burdens and maintain high solidarity are the main values that are internalized and become the basic principle of Ujong Pacu's villagers. These three basic principles are the main social capital of the people in Ujong Pacu which dictate their actions in their daily lives. During our observation, we saw that religion is an important social capital in the community. The villagers form a mutual commitment based on religious doctrine and have performed social movement as proof of social action.

The collective movement of the Ujong Pacu villagers started by inviting three charismatic ulamas-Abu Hasballah Nisam, Abati Aba Buloh Sawang and Abi Muslim At-Tahiry to lead the strengthening of the spiritual and moral movements. The teungku dayahs shared responsibilities in transforming the values of Islamic social capital to the villagers. Abati Babah Buloh did it through the recitation of (kitab kuning) every Wednesday night in the mosque of Ujong Pacu after Isya prayer. Abu Hasballah Nisam led the zikir that was held every fourth week of the month. Meanwhile, Abi Muslim At-Thahiry did it through speeches during Friday prayer twice a month. Apart from those activities, teungku dayahs also always provided time for the villagers at their Islamic boarding school to discuss the dangers of drugs and the importance of eradicating drug to protect Islam, society and future generations.

According to Cimeng and Gogot (personal communication, December 11, 2015), there are 20 young men who have become heavily addicted and often bought drugs from them. The massive drug abuse among young villagers was followed by the many actions against Islamic teachings. These actions included having less respect towards the statements of the ulamas, not performing prayers, fasting

and others. Young villagers do not respect their parents anymore when their parents cannot provide money to buy drugs (RZ, personal communication, July 23, 2017). Even worse, the addicts coming from outside Ujong Pacu also committed other actions contradicted to Islamic teachings such as drinking alcohol and having pre-marital sex (Geulanteu, personal communication, December 11, 2015). The female drug addicts were willing to provide sexual services for anyone who is willing to exchange it for drugs (Cimeng, Gogot and Geulanteu, personal communication, December 11, 2015).

Actions that are contradictory to religious values resulted in increased concerns among community members about the superiority of the values and norms of the community for future generations. Meanwhile, criminal acts like theft threatened the security and economy of the people of Ujong Pacu. Livestock is saving that they will spend (read: sold) when they are faced with urgent needs such as for their children's education, Eid celebration, harvesting celebration or when they or family members are sick (M. Nurdin, personal communication, June 7, 2015). When their livestock such as chickens, ducks, goats are stolen, it is similar to the loss of money in the bank account for rich people in the city (Razali, personal communication, December 13, 2015). This condition had resulted in the rise of collective anger among villagers in Ujong Pacu, so the collective actions needed to be performed to fix the problems.

Reduce Barriers

The values of social capital contained in Islamic teachings were transformed intensively to the people of Ujong Pacu (Galvin, 2010). Social religious capital consisting of *ta'awun*, *takaful* and *tadhamun* and jihad are the main values that are always internalized to the villagers through yellow book (*kitab kuning*) recitations, Friday prayers and *istighotsah*. The



three strategies are considered strategic and effective because they are a common means for *teungku dayahs* to communicate with the villagers. The recitation strategy is directed at transferring fundamental knowledge to the villagers about Islam with an emphasis on unity and faith and its contextual interpretation (Solagberu, 2015). Istighotsah is directed at efforts to consolidate the movement while *zikir* aimed at strengthening psychological, emotional, unity and strengthening the faith of the villagers (Abi Muslim At-Thahiri, personal communication, July 24, 2017).

To put more value to the movement, the teungku dayah combined these three values with jihad fisabilillah (jihad for the sake of Allah). For this purpose, they did the contextualization of the meaning of jihad from fighting to defend Islam to fight against drug. Abi Muslim AtThahiry, head of the Dayah Darul Mujahidin North Aceh said:

"From the perspective of Islam, someone who is drunk or who is affected by drugs tends be an apostate more easily. Someone who justifies the forbidden and forbids the lawful ones which Allah SWT has set aside can be called as an apostate. Different from getting high from eating jengkol or mushrooms and so on, taking drugs is selfabusing that is considered apostasy and the effects of intoxicating oneself can cause the perpetrator to commit various criminal and immoral acts such as killing, divorcing a wife without cause, stealing and justifying the illegitimate. Saving people from the kufr is jihad. As I have said above that drugs are more dangerous than terrorists. Then protecting the religion of Allah does not have to fight infidels using the weapons. but fighting against drugs also another way to protect the religion of Allah" (Abi Muslim Thahiri, personal communication, July 24, 2017).

The means of Jihad has a central position in the existence of Islamic societies (Haleem, 2010). In the Qur'an, the word jihad is mentioned 41 times. In the context of Islam, jihad can simply be interpreted as a fight against bad deeds. For the *teungku dayah*, the availability of the theological normative foundation (Al-Qur'an's verses) for jihad is interpreted as a strategic raw material that becomes a resource of discourse to consolidate the villagers of Ujong Pacu moving together to eradicate drugs. The problem is, in the theological perspective, drugs have become the root of various tyrants so that they can no longer be tolerated. Abu Hasballah Nisam, said:

"Eradication of drugs in Ujoeng Pacu must be done through jihad. Jihad is a kind of worship to Allah so that the drug mafias can get guidance. Jihad against the drug mafia must be done because this is the command of the Qur'an. One of the surahs in Qur'an mentions "do not put our soul into destruction." So fighting drug mafias whose work destroys other human's life is jihad fisabilillah" (Abu Hasballah Nisam, personal communication, May 15, 2018).

Strengthening mass consolidation to join the drug eradication movement was carried out by teungku dayah to the villagers through the transformation of various hadiths and verses of the Qur'an which call for jihad against all destructions and inconvenience caused by drug mafias. The movement is considered strategic as it could encourage villagers' members who are known to be fanatical so that they collectively joined the movement. The internalization of religious moral appeal permeated the souls of the villagers. The strength of the religious appeals from the teungku dayah consolidated the hearts and emotions of the Ujong Pacu people. The internalization of religious values to eradicate drugs has made villagers label this movement as the Anti-Immoral Movement (RZ, personal communication, August 15, 2017).



After a religious ritual led by charismatic Teungku dayah, villagers came down from the top of Napai hill (the hill which is the gate of Ujong Pacu village). Then, they did the convoy around the village. This was done to "strengthen togetherness and increase the fighting spirit of the villagers because we realize that eradicating drugs means fighting organized groups, lives are at stake for this movement" (Nudirman Daud, personal communication, April 13, 2017). This mobilization proves the attribution of Tenggku Daya's charisma has a great influence on the awareness of villagers to fight drug trafficking. This article indicates that the patterning of leadership attributes on the part of individual followers should, to some extent, be predicted by their respective positions in the social structure and the pattern of their contacts to other followers. In a network effects model, proximity in the social network will be related to the similarity of charisma attributions among followers because proximity provides greater opportunities for mutual influence to occur.

The next day, the drug eradication movement in Ujong Pacu was carried out starting with sweeping "strangers" visiting Ujong Pacu. The villagers interrogated them to find out the information about their visit's purpose and the persons they want to meet in the village. Those identified as having drugs were immediately arrested and handed over to the authorities, while those who wish to buy drugs were brought to the intended dealer. Then, both parties were arrested and handed over to the police. Besides the "strangers," the users and dealers coming from Ujong Pacu were also handed over to the police. One mafia managed to get away but then after evacuating his wife and children, the people destroyed his house. Only the main mafia who fled to Medan who could not be arrested by this collective action.

There are nine people were arrested. Five drug mafia accomplices were successfully arrested by the villagers, while four others including F, the main mafia who fled to Medan, were arrested by the police. To ensure that all drug mafias that have been arrested and handed over by the villagers to the police were processed through the legal procedure, the villagers kept monitoring while coordinated with the army especially with Guided Missile Detachment (Denrudal) of Pulo Rungkom (M. Nurdin, personal communication, May 15, 2017).

This collaboration with the army is significant for this movement. In addition to providing a sense of security, comfort and moral strength of the movement, coordination with Denrudal was also to make sure that the legal process of drug conspiracy is truly carried out according to the procedure. The problem is, residents of Ujong Pancu had a negative experience when one drug dealer who after being handed over to the police could get out of jail easily (Hasbi, personal communication, July 17, 2017). Therefore, the dialectical relationship between people of Ujong Pacu and Denrudal becomes a chain of supervision for the implementation of procedural legal proceedings against drug mafias.

Following the arrest of the drug mafias, Ujong Pacu was completely clean from drug trafficking. No more drug users or dealers in the village as it can be seen before the movement. According to data from the National Narcotics Board, the number of drug dealers and users in Muara Satu sub-district was immediately dropped by 50%. This showed that the number of drug transactions, drug dealers and drug users was massive in Ujong Pacu village (Ujong Pacu *Geuchik*, personal communication, June 14, 2017)

Solid relations between villagers and teungku dayah (ulama) succeeded in giving rise to a collective movement to eradicate drugs in Ujong Pacu. This success makes a strategic contribution to the world because drug trafficking has become one of the global issues that is difficult to eradicate. Furthermore,

the success of the drug eradication movement in Ujong Pacu also proves that religious values consisting of ta'awun, takaful and tadhamun combined with the spirit of jihad Fisabilillah become significant social capital in a collective movement to eradicate drugs. These findings can certainly be an alternative for the state to make a policy to eradicate drugs by involving the active role of the community.

Discussion

Religious Social Capital on Drugs Eradication

This article, although not breaking away from theoretical discussions, seeks to see empirically the contribution of religious social capital on drugs eradication practiced by villagers of Ujong Pacu, Aceh-Indonesia. This article shows that communities that have social capital bonding—in this case, religion—need the presence of an agency to be able to transform social capital into concrete actions in the form of a resistance movement. This argument shows a similarity with Lancee (2012) and Ling and Dale (2013) said that social capital requires the actions of individual agencies to function.

In the case of the teungku dayahs agency that successfully mobilized villagers to throw out the drug addicts from the village, verified Ling and Dale (2013) work that social capital still requires the actions of actors in order to effectively achieve a common goal. Contrary to Morello (2019) that saw religious leader capital built upon his effort to renovate religious institutions using sacred power, our finding proposes that religious leaders cannot build capital without aggregating the individual agency and structural norms. This shows that religious social capital presented community participation in drug eradication. Unlike Pettus (2016) who stated that religious preachers are "doing service jobs" and are not taking serious action in the war on drugs, this article shows that teungku dayahs directly mobilized the villagers at the frontline in the war on drugs. This finding also revisited Brault & Shihadeh (2018) that seen communities with a preponderance of bonding capital encourage institutional disengagement, which in turn is linked to higher rates of violence.

Following Kasaa (2015), religion can be producers and facilitators to build social capital stronger in a community that has high religious participation. This role is similar to that carried out by Dayah institutions who embrace the community to face crime. This article testament that religion at the end of society as a function of bonding social capital that is not only strong in organizational ties but also effectively creates resistance movement to form networks. Based on our interview with some activists against the drug addicts, their main motivation to throw out the drug addicts because Islam does not provide a place for sinners to be part of the community. Quoting Scott (2018) more frequent religious service attendance may show greater importance of religion and stronger spiritual commitment, and hence, contribute to abstaining from the use of illegal substances. Community organizing based on shared norms is a significant reality that supports the success of various collective movements.

The study findings have implications for the enrichment of drug eradication studies. The novelty of this article is to examine the possibility of religious social capital in shaping public participation in drug eradication. Approaches such as McRae (2017), Sabarinah (2019), and Koram (2019) elaborated on drug policy at the state level and did not discuss the participation of the investigated community. Our results underscore the importance of conducting a community-based assessment that includes religion effectively used to fighting the drug addicts. This can be an alternative solution to drug eradication policy that pays attention to community capability.

Conclusion

The success of the collective movement of the Ujong Pacu villagers in eradicating drugs



is inseparable from the solid integration of the masses in this movement. Internalization of the values of Islamic teachings which consist of ta'awun, takaful, tadhamun and jihad fisabilillah to the Ujong Pacu people carried out by the charismatic teungku dayah is the key that binds social relations and becomes the source of energy that is unstoppable. Kitab kuning recitation, Friday prayers, istighotsah and zikir and values of ta'awun, takaful, tadhamun, and jihad fisabilillah, the teungku dayah were transformed into energetic practical social capital in the Drug Eradication Movement in Ujong Pacu. Therefore, the drug addicts could not run their business in the village anymore even though their business is systematic and well-organized and is sometimes supported by the state security forces, they are unable to resist the invasion of the masses which are driven by the spirit of internalized religious values.

This reality proves that social capital originating from *teungku dayah* has a strategic and significant position in social change in society. Community fanaticism towards *teungku dayah* makes social capital sourced more easily accepted, absorbed and mobilized than social capital that comes from non-religious values and norms. Through religious social capital, social movements become a collective movement that is integrated, organized, systematic and fanatical, that it is not easily broken.

Finally, yet importantly, this finding can reflect a number of possible alternatives in the fight against drug trafficking by involving grassroots actively and simultaneously. A faith-based approach must get more attention, especially when the drug eradication comes in direct contact with the religious community.

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