

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT IN HANDLING COVID-19 IN KARIMUN DISTRICT

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Abstract

Covid-19 is a viral outbreak that is sweeping the world, Covid-19 is a virus outbreak that is transmitted from one person to another. This virus is the biggest problem that even big countries have to face, the COVID-19 virus has paralyzed the world's economy with the outbreak of the virus, of course, being an obstacle to the process of providing goods and services on the domestic and international scene. In Indonesia, the increase in the number of positive COVID-19 patients is moving fast. So, the government enforces the PSBB regulations as a preventive measure, of course this is also done by the Regency and City governments, one of which is Karimun Regency. The Karimun Regency Government also plays an active role in issuing policies to reduce the spread of the Covid-19 virus, while this strategy must have been taken into account with existing conditions.

Keywords: Government, Policy, Covid-19 Virus.

1. INTRODUCTION

Government is a mechanism that aims to meet and protect the needs and demands imposed by the public as a civil service institution. The government is an organ that has the authority to process public services and process civil services for everyone who has government relations, so that every member of the community concerned when needed is in accordance with the demands of the government. Then the government is an organization of people who have power and how humans are governed.

The birth of government at first was to maintain a system of order in society, so that the community could live a normal life. Along with the development of modern society which is marked by increasing needs, the role of government then changes to serving the community. Modern government, in other words, is essentially a service to the community. The government is not held to serve oneself, but to serve the community, creating conditions that enable each member to develop their abilities and creativity in order to achieve mutual progress.

The country of Indonesia has been experiencing problems for some time, especially in the health sector, this also has an impact on regions in Indonesia. The problem that hit was the Covid-19 virus which spread throughout the country, including one in Indonesia. Covid 19 is a disease outbreak that is transmitted from China to all parts of the world.

Right now the whole world is facing the Covid-19 pandemic. Covid-19 is a new virus that attacks the respiratory tract. In Indonesia, the increase in the number of positive COVID-19 patients is moving fast. In mid-March, Indonesia was shocked by the news of Covid-19. Covid-19 is an infectious disease caused by the new corona virus. This virus was unknown to humans, before the outbreak began in Wuhan, China, last December 2019. This virus causes all the activities that everyone does. people get stuck. People who work are recommended WFH (Work From Home), school students and college students are also encouraged to study at home. The economy in

Indonesia, especially DIY, has experienced a decline due to Covid-19. According to BPS data, the impact of Covid-19, the poor population has increased to 26.42 million people.

Covid-19 cases are also not spared in the Riau Islands Province, one of which is Karimun Regency, Karimun Regency itself is an area that directly borders with neighboring countries such as Malaysia and Singapore. The location of Karimun Regency itself is very geographical because it is supported by developed countries such as Malaysia and Singapore, so that Karimun Regency has the potential to become a tourism destination that is very fond of being visited by tourism from neighboring countries.

With very close access, this also has an impact on the economy of the people of Karimun Regency, this is evidenced by the number of visitors who come to Karimun Regency which always increases every year. With the influx of tourists to carry out tourist activities, it is not surprising that Karimun Regency has become one of the places where the COVID-19 virus has developed due to the very easy entrance from outside. From the problems described in this background, the researchers are interested in researching and analyzing the case with the title "Local Government Management in Handling Covid-19 in Karimun Regency".

1.2. Problem Description

Based on the description of the background above, the author sees that the Regional Government Strategy in Handling Covid-19 in Karimun Regency still needs to be considered and see how far the local government management is in minimizing the development of Covid-19 in Karimun Regency, therefore the problem in This research is formulated as follows: How is the Management carried out by the Regional Government in Handling Covid-19 in Karimun Regency?

1.3. Research purposes

In accordance with the main issues raised above, the objectives of this study can be detailed as follows:

1. To find out and analyze how the management carried out by the Regional Government in Handling Covid-19 in Karimun Regency.
2. To find out and analyze the impact of the strategy carried out by the Regional Government in Handling Covid-19 in Karimun Regency.

1.4 Research Benefits

1.4.1. Theoretical Uses

Theoretically, the results of this research are expected to enrich the development of government science related to Regional Government Management in Handling Covid-19 in Karimun Regency and become a reference for other regencies and cities.

1.4.2. Practical Use

Practically, this research can be useful for policy makers in finding useful solutions, especially in handling Covid-19 in Karimun Regency with aims and objectives in accordance with policies made by the central and provincial governments.

2. IMPLEMENTATION METHOD

In this research, the writer uses qualitative research and descriptive method. Descriptive method is a research that tries to give as accurate a picture as possible about a particular individual, situation, or group. descriptive research method is research conducted to determine the value of independent variables, either one or more variables (independent) without making comparisons, or

relating one variable to another variable. Thus, this study intends to collect data on the Handling of Covid-19 Cases in Karimun Regency then the results are described or described clearly as what happened in the field.

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In this case the author in conducting observations and interview results in the field, it can be seen that the local government has carried out its duties and functions well, this is proven by a significant decrease in the number of the spread of the Covid-19 virus in Karimun Regency, this is also aligned with the Decree of the Governor of the Archipelago Riau Number 69 of 2021 concerning the Task Force for Handling Virus Disease and Economic Recovery of the Riau Islands Province, in which in this case the City District government is required to innovate in issuing ideas and ideas regarding what strategies are suitable in reviving the economy of the Riau Islands community.

The Karimun Regency Government in this case also issued a policy in the form of the Karimun Regent Regulation Number 49 of 2020 concerning the Implementation of Discipline and Law Enforcement of Health Protocols as an Effort for Prevention and Control of Corona Virus Disease 2019 with these regulations, of course, there needs to be attention from all elements, both from the government and the community. Karimun Regency to jointly discipline and obey health protocols to reduce and suppress the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

In addition, the Karimun Regency government also carries out strict supervision at national and international domestic ports, this is done so that the people of Karimun Regency are not contaminated with viruses from neighboring countries. The Karimun Regency Government has disabled sea transportation which is the main traffic access, especially in the economic cycle of the Karimun Regency community. Meanwhile, inter-island transportation also applies health protocols such as checking body temperature and equipped with health certificates to reduce the number of virus spreads in Karimun Regency.

4. CONCLUSION

In this case the author can conclude that the Karimun Regency Government has done its best to reduce the spread of COVID-19 although in this case there are certainly pros and cons in making this policy, but the Karimun Regency government's strategy is very brave in taking steps to disable it. For some time, sea transportation is the backbone of people's lives in Karimun Regency.

This step has certainly been taken into account by the Karimun Regency government, this is in accordance with the mandate of Law Number 23 of 2014 concerning Regional Government, in this case it is clearly illustrated that the Health sector is located in the Concurrent Affairs section, which is further divided into two options, namely mandatory and optional. , where health lies in Mandatory affairs. The granting of autonomy to regional heads consisting of provincial, regency and city regions, i.e. provincial regions are given limited authority which includes powers that are not or have not been implemented by the regions or city districts.

From the law above and the conditions in the field, it can be concluded that the implementation of the Karimun Regency Government's strategy is running optimally, not an easy thing with the geographical location of Karimun Regency which is the entry point for neighboring countries, this is also exacerbated by the repatriation of Indonesian citizens who outside countries such as Singapore and Malaysia are repatriated through the domestic port of Karimun Regency.

By looking at the existing conditions, the local government of Karimun Regency is still willing and willing to serve the people of Karimun Regency or the Indonesian people who are repatriated from neighboring countries by providing quarantine facilities and infrastructure which are carried out within a few days, of course this has an impact and the public's fear is getting higher, with these conditions there needs to be a leader who is able to neutralize the community so that they are able to think clearly and positively so as not to cause riots.

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