IMPACT OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT ON AN INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY: A CASE STUDY OF SELETAR COMMUNITY IN JOHOR

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ABSTRACT

Rapid urban developments in the Iskandar Region of Johor have affected various communities including indigenous groups living in affected areas including the Seletar community living in Kg. Sungai Temun and Kg. Bakar Batu in southern part of Johor. Due to Danga Waterfront development, their socio-economy was affected along with their current place of living. The main aim of this study is to analyse existing and potential socio-economic impacts on the Seletar communities due to the development within their surrounding area. The issues of resettlement as well as impacts of the development on the Seletar Community livelihood were addressed in this study. There were 61 respondents from Kg. Sungai Temun and 23 respondents from Kg. Bakar Batu involved. They were asked questions regarding their backgrounds, opinion about the environment conditions, and issues regarding their resettlement. Results from this study indicated that Seletar Community living in the poor state with 65% respondents from Kg. Sungai Temun and 78% respondents from Kg. Bakar Batu had minimal income less than RM300. The surrounding development had caused their common fishing areas as to be affected by pollution. This situation was consistent to the Water Ouality Index (WOI) Sungai Danga that was categorised in Class IV. It was found that the main problems they faced with resettlement involved job security, hard to adapt new environment and grave yard issues. Grazing and farming would not be the best choices for them because they were naturally fisherman plus they did not have other working skills. In this study, 99% respondents were not willing to move to another location. According to this study, there was no correlation between opinions (i.e., willingness to move, awareness of proposed project and reaction toward current project) and the demographic as well as socio-economic background of respondents (with r value of 0.182 or less with p > 0.05). Almost 100% of respondents preferred to stay near water resources and mangroves due to their preferred occupation as the fishermen. They also preferred an individual unit house (i.e., bungalow, terrace) with three rooms. This study is important as to assist developers in order to plan the sustainable resettlement plan for Seletar community. This study also a best guideline for JAKOA to establish programs that can improves socio-economy of Seletar community.

ABSTRAK

Pembangungan bandar yang pesat di kawasan Iskandar Johor telah memberikan kesan kepada pelbagai masyarakat termasuklah masyarakat orang asli yang tinggal di Kg. Sungai Temun dan Kg. Bakar Batu di bahagian selatan Johor. Pembangunan Danga Waterfront telah memberi kesan kepada sosial ekonomi dan tempat tinggal mereka. Objektif utama dalam kajian ini adalah untuk mengkaji kesan pembangunan terhadap sosial ekonomi masyarakat orang asli Seletar. Dalam kajian ini juga akan membincangkan isu penempatan semula di kalangan masyarakat orang asli Seletar dan kesan pembangunan terhadap mereka. Terdapat 61 responden dari Kg. Sungai Temun dan 23 responden dari Kg. Bakar Batu menjawab soal selidik berkaitan latar belakang, keadaan alam sekitar dan isu-isu berkaitan penempatan semula. Melalui kajian ini didapati bahawa masyarakat orang asli Seletar berada dalam keadaan miskin dengan 65% responden dari Kg. Sungai Temun dan 78% responden dari Kg Bakar Batu mempunyai pendapatan minimum kurang dari RM300. Ini adalah kerana penangkapan ikan mereka terjejas disebabkan pencemaran. Ini dibuktikan melalui data Indek Kualiti Air (WOI) Sungai Danga yang berada pada kelas IV. Masalah yang berkaitan dengan isu-isu penempatan semula ialah masalah pekerjaan, kesediaan untuk tinggal dengan masyarakat tempatan dan masalah tanah perkuburan yang berada dikawasan tempat tinggal mereka. Mereka juga takut kehilangan pekerjaan kerana mereka sudah menjadi nelayan sejak dahulu lagi dan mereka tiada kemahiran lain seperti pertanian atau perladangan. Di dalam kajian ini juga mendapati 99% responden tidak mahu berpindah ke tempat lain. Di dalam kajian ini juga mendapati tiada perkaitan antara pandangan (e.g., kesanggupan untuk berpindah, kesedaran terhadap projek yang dicadangkan dan reaksi terhadap projek semasa) dan latar belakang responden (nilai r sama atau kurang daripada 0.182 dengan nilai p > 0.05). Hampir 100% daripada responden memilih untuk tinggal berdekatan dengan sumber air dan hutan bakau disebabkan pekerjaan mereka sebagai nelayan. Mereka juga menyukai unit rumah individu (e.g., banglo, teres) dengan tiga bilik. Maklumat yang didapati daripada kajian ini boleh digunakan oleh pemaju untuk merancang pelan penempatan semula yang mampan untuk masyarakat Seletar. Ia juga boleh digunakan oleh JAKOA sebagai panduan untuk menwujudkan program-program bagi meningkatkan tahap sosio-ekonomi masyarakar Seletar.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

BMA - British Military Administration

DA - Development Assessment

DETR - Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation

FELCRA - Federal Land Consolidation and Rehabilitation Authority

GDP - Gross Domestic product

IFC - International Finance Center

IRDA - Iskandar Regional Development Authority

IWH - Iskandar Waterfront Holdings Sdn Bhd

JAKOA - Department of Orang Asli Development

JHEOA - Department of Orang Asli Affair

Kg. - Kampung

PKS - Small and Intermediate Industry

PPRT - Poor Citizen's Housing Program

RISDA - Rubber Industry Smallholders Development Authority

RMK9 - Rancangan Malaysia Kesembilan

RPS - Re-Grouping Plan

WQI - Water Quality Index

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

Sustainable development has become common debate during the past decade because of increasing in human development which enhances impacts to environment and society. The World Commission on Environment and Development, 1987 defines sustainable development as the paths of economic, social, environmental, and political progress purposely aim to meet the needs of today without compromising the ability of future generations.

Sustainable development often consists of three major elements like economy, environment, and society. Environment impacts like air, water and soil pollution are often being a hotly debate among the three elements. However, minor issues affected by the rapid development such as indigenous people issue is often neglected. This indigenous people become like refugees and illegal immigrants in their places because they do not have the power to make opposition.

1.2 Problem Statement

Danga Waterfront Development project and the Iskandar Integrated Waterfront City are the most exciting projects when involving the urban development in Malaysia. Within these progressive developments; one issue has to be considered was the water quality index at that area that influences socio-economy an aboriginal community that depends on the river for their livelihood.

Based on the previous study by Hasan Mat Nor *et al.*, (2009), 180 families of Seletar in Kg. Simpang Arang need to be moved out from their traditional fishing and resettled in agricultural sector. This is because; Iskandar development within the area may affect their physical, social, and economic circumstances. Not only that, pollutions of river and seawater also may limit their traditional and subsistence activities thus driving them to poverty and possible extinction.

Thus this study focused on Seletar communities in two villages, namely Kg. Sungai Temun and Kg. Bakar Batu. The purpose of this study was to determine the state of Seletar communities in both villages and issues regarding to current development and resettlement.

1.3 Objectives of the Study

The aim of this study was to analyse the sustainability issue regarding the human resettlement. The more specific objectives are:

 To study the existing socio-economic issues of Seletar community within Johor Bahru Waterfront development projects areas.

- 2. To analyse potential socio-economy impact on the Seletar community due to the development at the study area.
- To address at the issues of involuntary resettlement of the community and suggest mitigation measures to improve the well being of the affected indigenous community.

1.4 Scope of the Study

This study was focusing on Seletar community living in the Kg. Bakar Batu and Kg. Sungai Temun areas. The respondents were randomly selected from each house in both the villages. They were asked to answer a set of questionnaires about their background, the environmental conditions of their surrounding areas, and issues regarding their relocation. Detailed information was also obtained from key informant, *Tok Batin* in the two villages.

This study also focused on Water Quality Index (WQI) in Sungai Danga. Sungai Danga is the nearer river located between the two villages thereby they depend on this river for their daily livelihood. Meanwhile, WQI was obtained from secondary data collection in order to analyse the water quality of the river in this study. Figure 1.1 summarizes the scope that highlighted in this study.

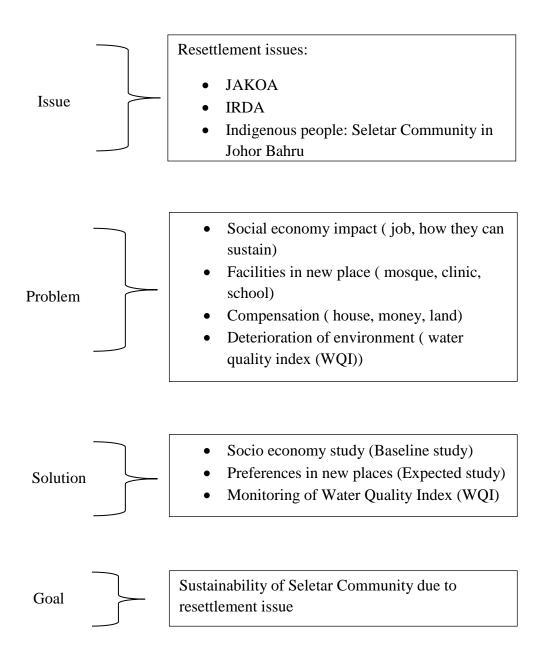


Figure 1.1 Scope of Study

1.5 Significant of Study

This study is important for the impact of urban development to society especially to indigenous people in Malaysia. The data collections in this study provided the baseline condition of Seletar community in Kg. Sg. Temun and Kg. Bakar Batu. It also provided the future need of Seletar community if they are settle to new place. It can be use as the guideline to the developer to plan the best solution to Seletar community. Hence it also can be use to Department of Orang Asli Development (JAKOA) to improve livelihood of seletar community. Lastly Department of Environment (DOE) can use it as the guideline to monitor the impact of developi in surrounding water resources.

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