ABSTRACT

MANAGEMENT OF THE VILLAGE FUND FOR STUNTING PROGRAMS IN* PUTY *VILLAGE AT* BUA *SUB-DISTRICT OF* LUWU *REGENCY

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Stunting is a chronic health problem that remains a serious challenge in Indonesia, particularly in rural areas such as Puty *Village, in* Bua *Sub-district of* Luwu *Regency. The central government has designated addressing stunting as a national priority and encourages the utilization of the village fund to support these efforts. This study aims to analyze the management of the village fund in supporting stunting programs in* Puty *Village, highlighting six main aspects such as budgeting, allocation, disbursement, utilization, administration, and reporting, as well as monitoring and evaluation.*

This study applied a qualitative descriptive method, with data collection techniques including interviews, observation, and document analysis.

The study results indicate that the stunting program has become part of the village's priorities through the Village Budget (APBDes), but its implementation still faces constraints regarding the consistency of fund disbursement, reporting transparency, and the minimal participation of the target community. Delayed disbursement has caused routine activities to be postponed, while evaluations remain technical in nature without involving the residents. The conclusion of this study emphasizes the need to strengthen transparency, update target data, and increase community involvement to enhance the effectiveness of village fund-based stunting programs.

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