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ABSTRACT

This research aims to (1) Examine the dimensions of community participation in the development of Sendang Sombomerti Ecotourism, Maguwoharjo, Depok, Sleman (2) Examine forms of participation in the development of Sendang Sombomerti Ecotourism, Maguwoharjo, Depok, Sleman (3) Examine types based on the characteristics of community participation in planning, implementation and management of the development of Sendang Sombomerti, Maguwoharjo, Depok, Sleman. This research was conducted using a qualitative descriptive approach method. The selection of key informants was carried out using the purposive sampling method, the main informants were selected using the snowball method, and supporting informants were selected based on the snowball method. The data sources used are primary data and secondary data. The data collection technique is using observation, in-depth interviews, and documentation by testing the validity of the data using triangulation of sources and techniques. The data analysis technique is by collecting data, reducing data, presenting data and drawing conclusions and verifying community participation. The research results show that (1) the Padukuhan Sombomerten Community in the development of the Sendang Sombomerti Ecotourism represents active and diverse involvement in all stages of the project. (2) In planning, the people of Sombomerten Hamlet take part in deliberations, provide ideas and make decisions. During implementation, participation involves contributions of personnel and materials from the community, while routine evaluations are carried out internally without the involvement of external parties. Utilization of development results involves the community in businesses around Ecotourism and group support for managers. Overall, multi-dimensional community participation, which involves the contribution of ideas, energy, materials and skills, is the main pillar in the success and desirability of Sendang Sombomerti Ecotourism. (3) Although there are variations in participation characteristics, including passive to self-mobilized types, consultation efforts from educational institutions are not always realized. However, voluntary contributions, development relationships, and involvement in decision making remain the main foundation for the success and sustainability of development.

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