



LPDP Scholarship as an Instrument to Optimize the Demographic Dividend to Achieve the 2045 Golden Indonesia Vision

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Abstract

Indonesia is projected to experience demographic dividend in 2020-2030 when the demographic condition shows an abundant rate of productive age comparing to unproductive age. The condition will stimulate the economic development by providing a large amount of human resources that will lead to greater size of production, consumption, and savings. However, the advantages cannot be maximized if the human resources quality is in steady condition. Moreover, with the current state of globalization and ASEAN Economic Community which allow the free flow of work forces, it can be dangerous because Indonesian human resources will become uncompetitive with other states' if it is not prepared well. In order to face it, the government established the LPDP (Lembaga Pengelola Dana Pendidikan/Indonesia Endowment Fund for Education) Scholarship to fund Indonesia citizens to increase their quality through pursuing higher level of education. At the same time, the government also launched the 2045 Golden Indonesia Vision to remark the 100 years of Indonesia independence by realizing the dream to become a developed state and the top 8 states in economic as many scientists predicted. This paper will seek on the LPDP Scholarship's role to prepare for high quality human resources for Indonesia in order to welcome the demographic dividend and to achieve the 2045 Golden Indonesia Vision. In order to analyze it, the writer will use the demographic dividend concept and the constructivism theory. The qualitative method will be used in form of study of literature and data analysis related to the topic. It has the hypothesis that LPDP Scholarship has created the trend to Indonesian citizens to pursue higher education degree, moreover to foreign states which is claimed to have higher quality of education than Indonesia.

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