3 FEATURES OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN INDONESIA EIA SCHEME

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SELECTED FEATURES OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Broad range of public participants Strong consequence on lack of public participation

Community's representative in EIA Appraisal Committee

(1) Broad range of public participants

| Affected communities | Directly affected (both positively and negatively) Exist in the EIA study area (social boundaries) |
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| Environmentalists | Not affected Those who care about the environment |
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| All parties who will be affected by the decision in EIA | AffectedExist outside the EIA study area |
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Law no 32 year 2009 article 26 paragraph 3; Government Regulation no 27 year 2012 article 9, paragraph 1; MoE regulation no 17 year 2012, guideline chapter II,

(2) Strong consequence on lack of public participation

Mandatory requirement in EIA scoping study (KA-ANDAL) appraisal

- Result of public participation (consultation and written submission) shall be incorporated/attached in KA-ANDAL
- Absence of public participation result in KA-ANDAL will make the scoping study rejected by technical team in EIA Appraisal Committee

Ground for filing lawsuit against the permit

• Lack of public participation can be a legal reason to argue that EIA is procedurally defect thus the environmental permit shall be revoked

EIA Appraisal Board Committee consist of:

- a. environmental agency;
- b. relevant technical agency;
- c. expert in the knowledge of types of undertakings and/or activities that are being assessed
- d. Affected community's representatives
- e. Environmental organization

Article 30 paragraph (1) Law no 32 year 2009

Pointers:

- Affected community chose their representatives to be the member of EIA Appraisal Committee
- The election is done along with public consultation
- Number of representatives are varied, decided proportionally and taking into account the interest they represent
- Result of representatives election is formalized in the form of agreement letter/power of attorney letter
- EIA initiator deliver the result of representative election to the EIA Appraisal Committee

MoE regulation no 17 year 2012

> The Challenge : How loud is their voice to be listened to?

Success story:

Gombong Cement Mining Case (Kebumen, Central Java)



Lesson learnt: - Counter scientific evidence from community