PERSEPSI MASYARAKAT TERHADAP FUNGSI TERUMBU KARANG DI KAWASAN TAMAN LAUT NASIONAL TAKABONERATE, SULAWESI SELATAN

Community Perception on Coral Reefs Function in Takabonerate Marine National Park, South Sulawesi

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ABSTRACT

The community’s perception on coral reefs in Takabonerate Marine National Park has been varied. Some given rules are even assumed as obstruction for the people in marine resources utilization, especially coral reefs resources. The research was aimed to reveal community’s perception in the marine park on coral reefs function, which in turn expected to increase their income. The research was conducted during February 2000 in the inhabit islands of Takabonerate Marine National Park area, which were Rajuni, Latondu, Tarupa, Jinato and Pasitallu islands. It was part of project on the Optimization of Takabonerate Marine National Park by CRITC-COREMAP. A total of 374 people were selected purposively with ethnical criteria represented, in term of describing community’s perception in the area. The method included were quantitative and qualitative methods, supported by secondary data. The result showed that appreciative level of the people on coral reefs function was low. More people claimed that reefs were meant for fishing and should be exploited. After all, most of them realized that dynamite and cyanide were very destructible, but there was an opposite perception on traditional bubi.

Key words: community, perception, coral reefs, Takabonerate Marine National Park

PENDAHULUAN

Taman Laut Nasional Takabonerate (TLN-TKBR) merupakan atol terluas ketiga di dunia setelah atol Kwajalein di Kepulauan Marshall dan Suvadiva di Kepulauan Maldives (Nontji, 1987). Dalam kawasan TLN-TKBR yang luasnya sekitar 385.900 ha ini terdapat sekitar 43 famili dan 285 jenis ikan, diantaranya ada yang tergolong bernilai ekonomis seperti cakalang (Katsuwonus pelamis), tenggiri (Scomberomorus sp.) dan tuna (Thunnus albacores) (Djajadireja dkk., 1979). Selain itu ditemukan pula beberapa jenis hewan mammalia yang dilindungi seperti ikan paus (Cetacea), lumba-lumba (Tursiops truncatus) dan ikan duyung

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