ABSTRACT

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This research is purposed to provide information regarding the international trade relations between Indonesia and Japan, especially in natural rubber commodities by seeing the natural rubber exports from Indonesia to Japan period of year 2006-2010. The differences of wealth factors of production (endowment) that cause differences in comparative advantage is becoming the basis of the occurrences of natural rubber trade between Indonesia and Japan. Because, Indonesia is ‘relative abundant’ in natural rubber production, while Japan ‘relatively scarce’ in producing it. Thus, natural rubber exports Indonesia to Japan could provides the benefits which are mutually benefit that related to principle liberalism.

The use of liberalism principle and all concepts that used to support this research, just like interdependency, bilateral trade agreement, economic cycles could shown the benefits of both countries that derived from natural rubber trade accompanied by the factors that could influence the dynamics of Indonesian natural rubber exports to Japan, period of year 2006-2010 which is the main focus in this research.

Meanwhile, the dynamics of export natural rubber showed positive from year to year (increasing whether volume and value), despite decline in 2009. Japan interdependency of natural rubber is the main factor. Fluctuation of world rubber price is one of determinant of export performance of natural rubber. But the drastic decline that occurred in 2009, is the impact of the global financial crisis which resulted in a drastic decline of export Indonesian natural rubber to Japan in volume and value. The drastic decline accompanied by the a drop of world rubber prices. However, state policy through IRCo able to stabilize the prices, so that the world rubber price may rise again. Moreover, Japan’s dependence on natural rubber can not be avoided, so that the import activity can be rise again.

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