

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Situation Analysis

Based on the Law of the Republic of Indonesia Number 20 of 2003, universities are required to carry out research and community service, in addition to providing education for the advancement of the nation and state. Law Number 12 of 2012 requires universities to implement the Tridharma of Higher Education, specifically the implementation of education, research, and community service.

Extensions is a result from the education and/or learning process, communication, and social processes (Pusat Penyuluhan Sosial Kementerian Sosial Republik Indonesia, 2019). In this community service, the team showed how to make traditional dishes from North Central Java, especially the Pekalongan area, that is Sego Megono and Tauto Pekalongan.

Through this activity, the community service team wants to teach how to cook Sego Megono and Tauto Pekalongan with original equipments and ingredients from Pekalongan so they can experience the authentic taste of Sego Megono and Tauto Pekalongan.

Therefore, the community service team wants to convey knowledge to housewives of Santa Bernadet Church, Parish Ciledug in the form of counseling with online demonstrations. Through this activity, the team will introduce the housewives of the Church of Santa Bernadet, Parish Ciledug to make Sego Megono and Tauto Pekalongan.

Sego Megono is a processed food with the basic ingredients of grated coconut and chopped young jackfruit, mixed with kecombrang, and then steamed until cooked, it has similarity look like Balinese lawar, (*Sego Megono Pekalongan*, n.d.) usually megono is served with warm rice and comes with mendoan, perkedel, and other side dishes (Suryani et al., 2018). Tauto Pekalongan is a soto tauto that use chicken or beef as the basic ingredient and has a distinctive taste from Pekalongan tauco, many restaurants provide tauto menus in the Pekalongan area and this restaurant is mostly open for 24 hours (Harmayani et al., 2019).

The purpose of this community service is to introduce Pekalongan culture and special cuisine to housewives of the Santa Benadeth Church, Parish Ciledug.

B. Partner Problems

Santa Bernadet Church is a Catholic church located in Pinang, South Tangerang City, Banten. In this community service activity, the team invited the housewives of the Santa Bernadet Church, Parish Ciledug to conduct cooking training of Pekalongan dishes, that is Segos Megono and Tauto Pekalongan.

Based on the analysis of the problems that can be observed by the author are:

1. During the COVID-19 pandemic, people cannot carry out tourism activities easily because of the Implementation of Community Activity Restrictions (PPKM) (*Instruksi Menteri Dalam Negeri Nomor 13 Tahun 2021 - Regulasi | Covid19.Go.Id*, n.d.), so the community service team wants to introduce the culture and teach the

partners of the ingredients and equipments that will be used to cook Pekalongan dishes.

2. Lack of understanding and experience of tasting Pekalongan dishes, especially Sego Megono and Tauto Pekalongan.
3. Lack of understanding of the steps to process Pekalongan dishes using authentic ingredients.

