LOCAL WISDOM: THE VALUES SYSTEM OF MINANGKABAU ETHNIC CUSTOMS AS A FUNDAMENTAL BASIC OF EDUCATIONAL CHARACTER IN INDONESIA

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ABSTRACT

The function of National Education system has to build and develop the human character and personality in civilization of Indonesian based on the potentiality of the nature of Indonesian people. Indonesian people must behave in the good personality as a nation among the people in the world. Each citizen of The Republic of Indonesia must behave in a good personality: they have must be religious, diligent, clever, discipline, brave, have a point of view, broad minded, discipline, can develop mind set, good attitude, have adversity, pleasant, human dignity, appreciate, honestly, human dignity and other virtues. One of the aspects influence of shaping human character is the values system of our community. In west Sumatera (Ethnic of Minangkabau) has specially values which is different of other community dealing with shapping character or personalty. Education system must be responsibility to educate people in shapng a good character as a fundamental of educational system. In this occasion I would like to discussion in dealing with the basic aspect of implementing of educational character in our system must be based on the value system of the community or society.

Keywords: Local Wisdom, Knowing Value System, Custom of Minangkabau, Fundamental Basic of Education, Character

BACKGROUND

The ideal concept of educational in Indonesia based on Undang-Undang No. 20 Th 2003 about National Educational System say that educational is the activities tha realized to make chilnte educate people or young generation to be a good citizen Which are smart, clever, have a good science, believe in God, havea good personality, moral and, human dignity and can develop their potentiality for competitiveness in a global and plural society.

The function of National Education is to shape and develop the individual character or good personality, civilized and human dignity and smart citizen which is aim to develop people believe in One God, healthly, wise, capacity, creative, well citizenship and democratic society and responsible (Dronkers, Karsten, Velden, Webbink, & Werfhorst, 2011).

To build a strong country we must have making preparation by educate people through educational character and culture activities both of them are jointly together. In this
case we can do it by performing the values system and culture in the community of Minangkabau West Sumatera.

Based on social phenomena in this country more than one decade the social life in Indonesia especially in human relation often accrued conflict among the ethnic groups or between student's group and the others. Not just like that, also happened in other social life between one community and the other community more than a conflict situation we can see among the political leader, as far as are also influences the economic system and trade. It can be seen in everyday life everywhere and every place; at home, office, school almost in a very aspect of social life. Some people even though he or she is a teenager or adult some time they making disturb to each other and make a noise they become unpolite, they don’t care. There are others so many phenomena that people who act unpolite that can make human dignity is going down. Based on these phenomena and accrued in the community, It can be concluded that some of the people in our community have low character and moral development is going down. So what is the solution to overcome the problem...?.

PROBLEM

By looking several phenomena a head we can see the problem it is not just come from lack of the educational system only, but they come from of many aspects of social life in the community (Minkler, 2012). There are many aspects can influence the bad character and social conflicts in our society, there are; economic problem, abuse, lack of education, understanding and the application of religion and social custom as far as how to implantation the social regulation and government policy in several aspects of social life. Some of people to improve their quality of life by doing in negative way. Because of that the human character in Indonesia are not determine the positive value which determine by their own culture as a good citizen.

More over the development of globalization with advancing science and technology especially in informatica and communication have changed the way of life of the people in community (Tchuente, 2006). The world change to day has many impact for community life either positive or negative. It’s also change the way of thinking, the way how to fulfill the human need either psychologically and physically. There are a different way of thinking between educate people and uneducated people, between the poor and the have.

According to the above so the problem is how to, “The Local Wisdom: The Values System and Custom can be Implemented in Educational Character and Culture Through Non Formal Educational System“.

PURPOSE

This paper is purposes for:

1) To create an enthusiastic and generate the idea and positive thinking among the educator community leader, formal and informal leader and as well as the people who concern with educational problem.

2) To gather information, aspirations, idea, and opinions from experts, government leader, non formal leader, or key persons leader in the community, instructor or academic
staff in highire education, practical and the people who concern with educational activities to get new alternative as solution to approach educational character by implementing “Local Wisdom: the Values System of Minangkabau ethnic custom As A Fundamental Basic of Educational Character and cultur in Indonesia.

There is an expression of Minangkabau culture: “Kato mufakat, sakato urang sadonyo, elok safaham sahakikat santoso kito salamonyo”. It means that say together as unity, all together with the agreement, good understanding for one idea, so it will be welfare for ever. One opinion in one action, one purpose will result in happiness for every one in society. Commonly Minangkabau peole like an harmonism, harmony among the people and family, harmony to the nature and well response to other opinion.

**DISCUSSION**

**Definition of Character**

Character is a uniq of personality which relatively stability in the individuals as fundamental basic of individual performancein behavior at a high level of norm standard. According to Prayitno (2010) said the indicators of character there are several aspects of behavior; master of self; discipline, hard work and defensive, responsibility, fair, truthly, fine, good heart, obidient, polite and nicely, loyalty, democratic, sharing together, work hand in hand and discussion together, tolerance, everything in order, peaceful, consistent (Centre for Strategy & Evaluation Services, 2010).

The process of shaping of personalization of character can be accure by many factors, there are derive from; such as heredity, millieu, human interaction, education etc (Mary, 2006). As ametter of fact a personality as a result of internalization of norm or virtues, use to develope the way of thinking, point of view, action and attitude. The virtues consist on a number of values, moral and norm, like honest, able to do something for other in social life, amiable, believeble and appreciate others. Interaction among people can develop human character or personality in community that will be a nation character. Therefore to the develope nation character by develope individual character. One of the aspects that cruciently for educational character and nation culture moral development. Futher more, the crucial aspect in educational character and culture is moral development, some synonim concerning with moral; moral, ethic, moral behavior, morality and immorality (Cuttings Agber, 2015). It’s necessary to explain by each other there are; moral come from latin that is ‘mores’ it means the way of people act, habit in a social group. *Webster’s New World Dictionary of American Language*. Moral is capacity of some one to decide something true or wrong. Other meaning of moral also any behavior or action can besuitable by people in the community.

**Educational Character**

Educational Character is the basic of the whole personality development to attain the existency of individual with certain characteristcs. Character is the personality that derive from the accumulated of norm that confirm of the process of internalization of norm or other virtues. IT believed as the point of view, the way of thinking, the way of attitude or acting, beliefableand appreciate other people.
Culture: As a whole of system thinking, value, moral, norm and believe of re used in human life conduct the social system, economy system, believe system, technology and science system. (Puskur, Kemdiknas, 2010).

Hoppers (2006) Non Formal Education is one of the three sub system of National Education. Today the government of Republic of Indonesia is more attention in using this sub system in maximal one, by using and developing all the components in hierarchies in the whole system in Non Formal Educational to cover the need of education to all of citizen.

Based on the essay above concerning with the meaning of character or personality, the development of community is a higher level is increasingly over the year, which is noted by economic development or get an opportunity to have a good education beside that people is able buy several product as the result of advancing science and technology like some kind of a tool in communication. So the social interaction in community is being intense, more over globalization is being intensive to promote interaction among people in the world.

No doubt that phenomena will cause other impacts and problems to moral and behavior of people in community. It needed educational character and culture must be given to the student or implementation educational character in our educational system. Educational character and culture is meaning an education that can how to impaly the moral, values, and culture on educational activities by using value system and cultural base on “Local Wisdom: The Value System of Minangkabau Ethnic Customs as A Fundamental Basic of Educational Character in Indonesia” (Munirachon, 2012).

Local Wisdom (Values and Customs of Minangkabau Culture)

The appearance of Minangkabau people in the past, present (today), future is an attractive to be an illustration for study educational character base on values, custom and culture of Minangkabau (Hastuti, Julianti, Erlangga, & Oswari, 2013).

Minang people is famous as religious have high dynamic with their culture “merantau” (habit to make a living in other country). Minang people like to work hard by himself, they have creative by themself especially in business etc, they work hard, last, discipline and long, their free to do something by himself not to be control or under command with other people (like kaki lima trade in Tanah Abang for example). Beside that there are many people also work in government officials in many field, so that they are very creative be a leader in government and private. The appearance of Minang people is determined by the values system of Minang customs and culture, the values system of Minagkabau can be describe as follow;

Basic Values of Minang Custom

Point of View for Life of Minang People

Their opinion for life is to help other people is determine in their expression (“hiduik bajasomati hapusako”). In the process of values always see one judgment of value, select an action. In the concept of values for life Minang people have to work hard to collect the material for the family member to fulfill their need (Munir, 2013). This is one of the values concept in nature of Minangkabau. Beside that Minangkabau trab they have point of view to think the next generation for sustainable life must have a supplier for the next generation, there for they work continiously in their life span.
Point of View for Work

As well as that the way of life helping people, family, relative or other people in community, so they must struggle for life to fulfil their commitment (Alifah, 2006). The result of work of making money can solve the problem the proverb say “hilang rono dek panyakik, hilang bangso tak ba ameli”, it means that self esteem can be lost or going down if some one came from the poor. To over come the problem people must motivate themself to work hard for making money. This is a positive value for sustainable in the family and community.

Point of View for Time

In every day life we often hear “time is money” this statement it is not new because Minang people has hold this value into their life as the way of life. Minang people must think for the future earn the money for next generation of young people and what will be left (herritage) for them after died. The motto don’t spend the time for un useful. This is an expression of Minang people for example “aduaking marawik ranjau, tagak maninjau jarab”.

Point of View to the nature

Minang people take a nature as a teacher the proverb says “alam takambang jadi guru”, and other expression “panakiak pisau si rawik ambiak galah batang lintabuang. Saludang ambiak kanyiru satitik jadikan lawik sakapa jadikan gunuang. Alam takambang jadi guru. Adek nan indak lapnak di hujan, nan indak laking di paneli”; it means sum of the values system is constanly use for ever, and the others can change according to the need of people.

Minangkabau is a beautiful ceenary, high monotonous and river a beatiful nature with flora and fauna give many inspirations to make prosperity country, people are fine and amiable, can get along with other people in the country as a prosperous country.

CONCLUSION

Minangkabau is rich country especially in dealing with value system and culture a unic personality and beautiful performance of the people (Sukandi, 2014). Based on the essay a bove we can concluded that the values system and culture of Minangkabau can be used as an alternative in educational character.

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