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#### **PREFACE**

There are no words that are more appropriate to say when you have finished doing something other than Praise to the presence of Allah SWT, because of His blessing and grace, this research report can be completed.

This research is an international research collaboration, in this case collaborating with the Centre for Borneo Studies, Universiti Malaysia Sabah. The topic that is felt to be actual and is a concern for both parties is related to the very large number of Indonesian migrant workers in this Malaysian state. Because of that, the topic raised was about fulfilling the rights of children of Indonesian migrant workers in Sabah, Malaysia. The exact title is the fulfillment of the rights of Indonesian migrant worker children in Sabah, Malaysia.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Institute for Research and Community Service, Jenderal Soedirman University, which has facilitated this research. Thank you also to the leaders of the Department of Sociology and the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences who have encouraged the lecturers to participate in conducting research. Various stakeholders who have provided information in this study, also thank you very much.

It is realized that the results of this study are still not perfect. For this reason, we expect criticism and suggestions from anywhere to improve the quality of further research.

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#### **SUMMARY**

Indonesia is a country that has a large proportion of its population to become Indonesian migrant workers (PMI). One of the countries with a lot of PMI is in Sabah Malaysia. The number of PMI in Sabah Malaysia is estimated to be up to 1 million people. The majority of these are classified as illegal workers and have lived there for a long time. Of course, many problems coloured in their lives. One of the things examined in this study is related to the education of their children.

The method used in this research is descriptive with a mixing method between quantitative and qualitative. PMI children who are currently studying in Indonesia are used as research subjects. Collecting data by means of questionnaires, interviews, discussion and documentation. Data analysis with frequency distribution analysis and interactive analysis.

The results showed that Indonesian migrant workers in Sabah Malaysia have different characters from PMI in other parts of Malaysia, especially when compared to other countries. PMI in Sabah Malaysia are mostly classified as illegal workers, working in the oil palm plantation sector. Their education is classified as very low, more than 60% only have primary school education and have not completed primary school. The majority of them have lived for more than 20 years. Therefor they have children who were born in Sabah Malaysia. This reality has led to the emergence of educational problems for PMI children in Sabah Malaysia.

The suggestion suggested from this research is that the Indonesian government should make migrant children in Sabah Malaysia become part of Indonesian children like those in Indonesian territory. Their education rights need to be considered so that their future can be better than that of their parents.