

Abstract

Empowerment of rural communities is a process in which the community, especially those who are weak in participating, and groups who have been neglected, are supported so that they are able to improve their welfare independently. the community, by encouraging and motivating their potential so that they can make changes to the community, both in terms of participation and in terms of social.

Empowerment is directed at improving their ability to meet their basic needs so that they have freedom, in the sense that they are not only free to express opinions, but free from hunger, free from ignorance, free from pain, reach out to productive sources that allow them to increase their income and obtain the goods and services they need and participate in the development process and the decisions that affect them.

In this study the authors used descriptive research methods with a qualitative approach. Using data collection techniques to prove by observation and interviews with relevant sources in empowering the development of the Sundawenang village.

Based on the results of the discussion, community empowerment in village development in Sundawenang Village is carried out at every stage of village development, namely the stages of planning, implementation and monitoring and evaluation as well as reporting, structured community empowerment strategies and programs as a form of implementation of community empowerment functions have not been carried out optimally.

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