

Local Challenges in Preserving Their Housing and Livelihood

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Abstract

The rapid development of tourism in Labuan Bajo as a global tourism destination poses challenges for the local community in preserving their traditional homes and way of life. The population growth and rapid urbanization in Jakarta City have led to numerous phenomena of slum settlements and unhealthy urban environments. The objectives of this research are: 1) to identify the condition of traditional homes and the way of life of the local community in Labuan Bajo, and 2) to identify the challenges faced by the Jakarta city government in addressing slum settlements. The method used is visual observation of the conditions in both locations. The research results indicate difficulties in providing affordable housing for the lower to middle-class population in Jakarta. Meanwhile, tourism activities that have led to the emergence of many hotels and commercial areas in Labuan Bajo have contributed to gentrification and displacement of the local community. In the case of Labuan Bajo, the local community is increasingly marginalized. In the case of Jakarta, there are efforts by the local government to transform the slum conditions through physical changes and improving the city's image.

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