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Education



Good morning everybody.

Honorable our teacher, and my beloved brothers and sisters, First of all let's say thanks to the Almighty Allah SWT who has given us His mercy and blessing, and also His chance so that we can attend to this place to do our activity. We also do not forget to send our great respect to our prophet Muhammad SAW, the last messenger in this world who told us the truth as our guidance in this life.

My beloved brothers and sisters,

Today I'd like to tell you about Education because we know that education is a very important thing in our life. In this good chance, I'm going to deliver my speech which has title " Improving The Quality of Education in Indonesia".

My beloved brothers and sisters,

A country without a well structured educational system is doomed because education is the key to any form of development in a country. Education in Indonesia is primarily the responsibility of the Ministry of National Education of Indonesia. According to the Indonesian Constitution, all citizens must undertake nine years of compulsory education, six years at elementary level and three in junior high school. The constitution also notes that education in Indonesia is divided into two major parts, formal and non-formal.

Since our independence in 1945, our Government has steadily made efforts to improve and expand our education system. Over the years, significant efforts have been made to develop all levels of formal education in Indonesia, from elementary to university education.

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The extent to which a nation has achieved success in improving its education is a barometer for measuring its development. Education in Indonesia lags far behind many other countries. The slow progress in the education sector in our country is reflected in the Human Development Index report 2007, which ranked Indonesia number 107 with a score of 0. 728. The Human Development Index is an indicator that measures a nation's quality of life, access to proper education, life expectancy, living standards and the level of literacy.

Education is essential to development. It opens doors to all and helps people to lift themselves out of poverty. It empowers people and is a powerful " equalizer". The best and only way to produce qualified human resources is the provision of a flawless education system. Then we have to know what the Quality of Education is.

Quality education encompasses the following aspects:

Schools that are in good condition, both in physical infrastructure and teaching resources
A well balanced curriculum that meets the needs of the students and includes many forms of skills training, including technology
Teacher-based education where the welfare and abilities of the teachers are satisfactory
Education that is implemented using contextual learning that prepares children for the challenges of the future

Indonesia has made significant developments in education in the last 10 years in terms of quantity. However, in terms of quality, not much advancement has been made. Educational institutions do not have consistent quality across the board. Only institutions that charge high tuition fees can provide high quality teaching and learning systems. As a result, they are able to attract only the upper class students. Less financially viable institutions cannot compete.

To improve the quality of education in Indonesia, the Government is making efforts to: • Create a national movement for completion of basic education, involving communities, especially parents and community leaders, NGOs, the private and industrial sectors. • Enhance and strengthen existing essential programmers for increasing school enrolment • Mobilize resources for maintaining and improving the Basic Education Programmers. • Provide better opportunities for private schools and community-based educational institutions to participate in basic education provision. • Use alternative education approaches and programmers to reach previously unreached poor and remote communities and improve equity in access to basic education.

This is where the global community can be a part of our efforts. For example, many non-profit organizations from Canada like Mustard Seed Canada have been involved in providing quality education to students in Indonesia by: • building and running schools for children

rebuilding schools destroyed by natural disasters

providing teacher-training facilities for pre-service as well as in-service
 programs
 fostering student exchange programs and study tours

• launching university partnership programs.

There are also other communities or organizations that offer to cooperate with us, like AMINEF, etc. They serve Student Exchange, Scholarship, and

many other programs. Students who have finished their study can be back to their country to build their education.

My beloved brothers and sisters,

That's all my speech today, I do apologize if I made mistake in my speech. The last words that I can say to you all : Let's keep running our works as citizen of this country. Let's improve our Education.