



ARCHIPELAGO COLLABORATION IN OLELE TOURISM VILLAGE, BONE BOLANGO REGENCY

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I. INTRODUCTION

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Snorkeling is not only available in Gorontalo, but can also be found in Bangsring, specifically in the city of Banyuwangi, East Java. Actually, there is no need to compare which one has a more attractive view, both of them are equally captivating destinations. The only difference lies in how these destinations receive special attention from the local community. In this village, we will explore the charm of a tourist village that has not been widely discovered by tourists

II. DISCUSSION

1. Natural Wonderful

Olele Beach has its own charm especially in snorkeling, the soft white sand and clear sea water create a perfect atmosphere for visitors to enjoy especially those who like to swim. Not only that, along the coastline, we will find beautiful coral reefs, but unfortunately there is still a lot of garbage scattered around and needs special attention from the local community. Even so we can still adventure under the sea, which is very exciting. Here we can see more coral reefs or coral rocks in the sea with dazzling colors, we are like a fish that is twisting and turning in the water freely enjoying how beautiful God's creation is.

2. Community Settlements

Olele Village exemplifies a traditional settlement in Gorontalo Regency. The majority of the houses are made of stone and the residents lead simple lives. Most of them earn a living by fishing at sea to support their families. The locals are known for their friendly and welcoming nature, and they take pride in sharing their knowledge of Gorontalo culture and deeply-rooted traditions. However, it is unfortunate that the local language of Gorontalo is gradually declining in usage. Both children and adults now predominantly use Indonesian, despite the inclusion of Mulok (Local Content) subjects in schools.

3. Education

During our visit to the village, we noticed the absence of any kindergarten or high school, which raised concerns. As the servants gathered at the village office, the Village Head presented the current state of Olele Village. During the

subsequent question and answer session, we took the opportunity to inquire about the reasons why parents choose to send their children to schools outside the village after they complete junior high school. To our surprise, it was not only a matter of continuing education elsewhere, but also a prevailing mindset among many parents. They believe that once their children graduate from junior high school, boys should assist their parents in fishing and girls should get married, even if they are underage. This mindset seems resistant to change, despite considering the community's intelligence, abilities, and expertise. Several factors contribute to this mindset, including family, environment, education, and belief systems. It is clear that there is a need to correct this mindset for the betterment of the community.

4. Sustainable Tourism Activities

Olele beach tourism village is very concerned about environmental sustainability. They are committed to preserving their nature and culture. When visiting, we were invited to participate in environmental conservation efforts, such as introducing to the people of the archipelago about the beauty under the sea, introducing handicrafts from fish scales, etc. This is an asset in the village, so that Olele village gets BUMDES (Village Owned Enterprises) income if these things are done. This is an asset in the village, so that Olele village gets BUMDES (Village Owned Enterprises) income if these things are done. Other activities collaborate in the field of education, students are expected to provide assistance in the form of projects such as Social Service, English Club, Education Socialization, etc. in Olele village. The local community participates in cleaning the beach twice a week. This provides a good opportunity to contribute positively to the local community and the environment.

III. CONCLUSION

Olele beach tourism village in Gorontalo is a tourist destination that offers the perfect combination of natural beauty, local culture and environmental sustainability. Not yet crowded with tourists but offering an immersive experience, Olele beach is a great place to visit. Come and enjoy the unspoiled natural and cultural charm of Gorontalo here.

IV. REFERENCES



