



20 BUMN Bakti Volunteers Join the 78th Indonesian Independence Day Ceremony in Penglipuran Village, Bali

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Denpasar, August 17, 2023 - A total of 20 BUMN Bakti Volunteers attended the ceremony to commemorate the 78th Anniversary of the Republic of Indonesia (HUT RI), in Penglipuran Village, Bangli Regency, Bali Province. They are representatives of 10 SOEs and 10 Pelindo Employee Social Responsibility (ESR) volunteers who were deployed to provide assistance to villagers for three days, from Tuesday to Thursday (15-17/8).

This activity is part of the Batch IV SOE Volunteer Program held by the Ministry of SOEs, to increase the spirit of volunteerism for SOE employees. This program was simultaneously implemented on 15-17 August 2023 in 10 locations, namely Meunasah-Aceh, Pandeglang-Banten, Sukabumi-West Java Sragen-Central Java, Kulonprogo-DIY, Malang-East Java, Penglipuran-Bali, Lombok-NTB, Namlea-Maluku and Jayapura-Papua. Around 100 volunteers who are selected employees of 54 SOEs participated in this activity.

In Panglipuran, the ceremony was held at the Heroes Monument which is the place where Bangli hero Anak Agung Anom Mudita and a number of soldiers died while fighting to defend independence. Acting as the ceremony inspector was the Deputy for Human Resources (HR), Technology and Information of the Ministry of SOEs, Tedi Bharata.

Besides being attended by 20 volunteers hosted by PT Pelabuhan Indonesia (Persero), the flag ceremony was also attended by Deputy President Director of PT Pelindo, Hambra Samal; Group Head of Corporate Secretariat of Pelindo Ali Mulyono; Klian Adat Penglipuran Village, I Wayan Budiarta; as well as hundreds of elementary, junior high and high school students from local residents.

Through a written message, SOE Minister Erick Thohir said that the Ministry of SOEs encourages SOE employees to always implement AKHLAK, not only in the office environment, but also in the community. "So that the Bakti BUMN can be felt by the community, not only through BUMN as a corporation, but also in direct contributions to society," he said.

Deputy for HR, Technology and Information, Tedi Bharata added, Bakti BUMN can also have a good impact on the company, in the form of increasing employee engagement with the company, as well as a form of employer branding for the company. "Volunteers are expected to continue to carry the spirit of contribution to society, both during the implementation of the BUMN Bakti Volunteer Program until they return to their respective companies. They also need to transmit this spirit to other BUMN employees," he said.

In Penglipuran Village, the Batch IV SOE Volunteer Program raised the theme of SOE Volunteers for Sustainable Indonesian Bamboo Forests. For three days, the 20 SOE and ESR Pelindo volunteers conducted various activities and stayed in the houses of the residents.

The activities included bamboo forest management, and bamboo utilization workshops. Volunteers also conducted teaching activities in several schools. In addition, they provided education related to tour guiding, photography and utilization of social media to promote Pelindo-assisted medium and small enterprises (MSEs) in Penglipuran.

Pelindo Deputy Managing Director Hambra said that the SOE Volunteer Program for Sustainable Indonesian Bamboo Forest is an implementation of Pelindo's Social and Environmental Responsibility (TJSL) Program. "As a port manager, Pelindo continues to improve its services and focus on continuing the transformation within the company. But as a state-owned enterprise, Pelindo also carries out the mandate to support sustainable development programs that are evenly distributed throughout Indonesia," he said.

Meanwhile, Klian Adat of Penglipuran Village, I Wayan Budiarta is grateful for the presence of BUMN volunteers in his village, who provide a lot of education and new knowledge to residents. Especially for the bamboo forest revitalization program, Wayan explained that this program provides added value to the existence of bamboo forests in his village.

"The development of culinary businesses on the edge of the bamboo forest adds value to Penglipuran tourism. Tourists do not have to bother looking for drinks or snacks when visiting. What is certain is that the revitalization of the bamboo forest is done in line with the conservation concept that is already running," he

said.

Susan, a volunteer from PT GMF Aero Asia (a subsidiary of Garuda Indonesia), said she had gained a lot of experience after participating in the BUMN Bakti Volunteer Program. "I was present among the children, and participated in teaching at SMK IV Penglipuran. During my two-day stay with the residents, I saw first-hand the pulse of Penglipuran village life. I don't know when I can repeat this experience," she said.

Previously, the 20 BUMN Bakti Volunteers for Sustainable Indonesian Bamboo Forests also conducted teaching activities at SDN 1 Tanjung Benoa. Pelindo Corporate Secretariat Group Head Ali Mulyono said, through teaching activities, volunteers can develop academic and social skills. "In addition to benefiting students, the experience as an education volunteer can also help develop their own leadership, communication and self-empowerment skills," he said.