Sustainable Community Based Water Supply at Salatiga by Use of Rapfish Method

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Abstract. Sustainable water supply has been the United Nation’s goal as stipulated in Sustainable Development Goals (SDG’s). In 2030, all people must have access to safe and affordable drinking water. In Salatiga Indonesia, the water supply company (PDAM) can now only serve about 65.64% of the city’s population. There are about 11.14% of the population served by community based water supply (CBWS). In line with the SDG’s, The Government of Indonesia’s program to have 100% coverage of water supply. The limitation on PDAM coverage has led the increase number of CBWS. This tendency has raised the question on the sustainability of CBWS. This paper presents the sustainability evaluations of some CBWS in Salatiga using Rapfish method. In the method, sustainability is evaluated using multi-dimensional scaling based on aspects of ecological, technological, social, institutional, and economical. The strategy to improve sustainability is identified using SWOT analysis. The study performed at 4 (four) CBWS at Kecamatan Sidorejo, Salatiga. It shows that all CBWS analysed are barely sustainable on the dimension of ecological, technological, and social. The dimension on institutional and economical are in the status of no sustainability. Therefore, the CBWS need some improvement and reinforcement especially on institutional and economical.

1 Introduction

Sustainable water supply has been the United Nation’s goal as stipulated in Sustainable Development Goals (SDG’s). In 2030, all people must have access to safe and affordable drinking water which are sustainable [1]. It is therefore needs to Support and strengthen the participation of local communities in improving water and sanitation services. In Salatiga Indonesia, the water supply company (PDAM) can now only serve about 65.64% of the city’s population [2]. There are about 11.14% of the population which are served by community based water supply (CBWS) [2]. In line with the SDG’s, The Government of Indonesia’s program to have 100% coverage of water supply and the limitation on PDAM coverage services has led the increase number of the community based water supply. The role of CBWS in Indonesia have long been recognised and now becoming more significant. This tendency has raised the question on the sustainability of CBWS.

Currently, there are two framework in the analysis of the “health” status of water supply company (PDAM) which are published by BPPSPAM (Board of Development for Drinking Water Supply) and The Ministry of Internal Affairs (Depdagri). However, those method are applicable for more formal companies such as PDAM. The evaluation framework for CBWS has not yet been defined.

This paper presents the sustainability evaluations of some CBWS in Salatiga City by use of Rapfish method [3]. The objectives of this research is to identify the sustainability status of some CBWS and formulate strategy for CBWS to achieve its sustainability by use of SWOT analysis [4].

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2. Literatures Review

2.1 Community Based Water Supply

Community based water supply (CBWS) has long been recognised in fulfilling water needs especially in remote areas where government water supply (PDAM) are not present. Currently, the Government of Indonesia has recognised the inseparable role of CBWS to meet people’s water requirements in combined with the coverage of PDAM. CBWS is a water supply system which are constructed by the government but its operation management including its agreed tariffs performed by a community. The objectives of CBWS is to boost the coverage of water supply services and to stimulate community to participate in the services. In order to guarantee its successes, the participation of community in a CBWS must be started since its planning, design, and its operation phase. A CBWS will cover the operation and maintenance costing. The government, however, still required to facilitate the preparation of management team for a CBWS, trained and prepared the management team.

A sustainable CBWS is a CBWS which can sustain its services continuously for long term. The management team of a CBWS should be able to manage its operation, collect tariffs from users, and able to overcome the operation problems. A sustainable CBWS must satisfy the following criteria [5]:

1. In operation and fulfill its services.
2. Provide the services as planned in good quality, in sufficient quantity, accessible, reliable, continuous, and beneficial to users.
3. Can operate and function well for long term in accordance to the life-cycle of the designed system.
4. The management should attract and involving the community/users through formal institution (community’s institution such as Paguyuban), able to closely coordinate with government and other institutions (private) as needed.
5. The cost for operation, maintenance, repair, replacement, and administrative services are affordable and can be met with the user’s fees or other sustainable financial supports.
6. Can be operated and maintained in the community’s level of expertise and resources, and accessed to outside support (technical, training, and monitoring).
7. Does not give negative environmental impacts.

2.2. Rapfish Method

The Rapfish method uses 5 dimension i.e., ecology, technology, social, institutional, and economy [6]. Each dimension is represented by usually 6-12 relevant attributes [7]. Application of The Rapfish method for each CBWS starts from the valuation (score) of each attribute. Multi dimensional scaling (MDS) analysis is then performed to access the status of sustainability in each dimension and overall sustainability status based on all dimension. The following are steps in the analysis using Rapfish method [8].

1. Attribute Scoring
   Each attribute in each dimension indicating sustainability of water supply is given score 1 to 5.
2. MDS Scaling and analysis.
   The status of sustainability of each attribute is represented in the scale of 0 to 100 (from bad to very good). The result of MDS analysis is the state of a CBWS score of sustainability in each dimension and in overall. The category of sustainability is Not sustainable (score < 25), Less Sustainable (score between 25 to 50), sustainable (score between 50 to 75), and very sustainable (score well over 75) [9].
3. Attribute Leverage
   The attribute leverage is to assess which attribute have more significant roles in supporting sustainability in each dimension. It uses Jackknife like technique, where each time each attribute is dropped in the analysis. The percentage contribution of attribute can be assessed by the resulting root mean square (RMS) change in ordination when the attribute is dropped. The higher the RMS change when an attribute is dropped, shows the influence of this attribute is bigger. This is usually called pareto calculation [10].
4. Monte Carlo Simulation
   This analysis is to evaluate the influence of any deviation in the score valuation, discrepancies, and any subjectivity in the MDS processes, including on the selection of attribute). The deviation between MDS versus Monter Carlo simulation should show comparable results, otherwise it indicates the existence of stresses in the MDS analysis [11].
2.3. Criteria for Sustainability

In 1999, the internal affair minister of Indonesia has published criteria for evaluating performances of PDAM as part of performance’s audit for government companies [12]. The criteria used are financial, operational, and administrative aspects. Each aspect consists of several relevant attributes. Applied for each PDAM, based on the status or level on each attributes and some weighting on the scoring, the status or the condition of PDAM can be classified into Very Good, Good, Sufficient, Barely Sufficient, Not Good.

As the implementation of government’s regulation No. 16/2005 about drinking water supply, the government has established BPPSAM (government board for development of drinking water supply). Currently BPPSPAM has published criteria to evaluate the “health status” of PDAM. It uses 4 (four) aspects, i.e., Financial, Services to Customers, Operational, and Human Resources [13]. Each aspect is further evaluated by several relevant attributes. Based on the state of each attribute in every aspect, the PDAM can be classified into three category of being “healthy”, “less healthy”, and “not healthy”.

The above two frameworks of evaluation, however, applicable only to formal company such as PDAM where its management system has been prepared for accountable and professional services. For evaluation of a CBWS, it needs more open evaluation framework. In this paper, it uses a Rapfish method (Rapid Appraisal for fishery) [14]. The method is initially used and applied in fishery industries. However, the openness of the method can be applied in any natural resources field with some justification on the evaluated aspects and attributes.

3 Research Method

The research method uses primary and secondary data collected from each CBWS studied. Primary data consist of questionair survey, interview, and field observation. Secondary data consist of data on legal aspects of the CBWS, its organisation (structures, rules, SOP, job description, etc.), activities of organisation, administrative and financial activities, consumer’s role, and its reporting.

The analysis is performed using Rapfish method to access its sustainability and SWOT analysis to evaluate which strategy to improve each CBWS sustainability.

In this paper, some attributes used to access in each dimension is formulated by considering attributes on Permendagri and BPPSPAM. The following are attributes in each dimension which are used. In each attribute, it further supported by several parameters.

Table 1. Attributes in each dimension used

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4 Analysis and Discussion

4.1. Description of CBWS studied

The research is performed to 4 (four) CBWS in two Kelurahan at Salatiga City, each represents a deep well and a spring water sources such as shown in Table 2. It is expected to demonstrate whether the source of water has some influences on the sustainability of a CBWS.

Table 2. List of Community Based Water Supply (CBWS) at Salatiga Studied

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<tr>
<th>No</th>
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<th>Kelurahan</th>
<th>Source of Water</th>
<th>Users (house)</th>
<th>SOP</th>
<th>Reporting</th>
<th>Management team</th>
<th>Daily Operational</th>
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<td>Deep Well</td>
<td>168</td>
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<td>Tirta Sejahtera</td>
<td>Sidorejo</td>
<td>Spring</td>
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<td>Available, but not fully implemented</td>
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<td>Tirta Kamandanu</td>
<td>Kauman Kidul</td>
<td>Deep Well</td>
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<td>No Internal reporting</td>
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<td>Tirta Agung</td>
<td>Kauman Kidul</td>
<td>Spring</td>
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<td>No</td>
<td>No Internal reporting</td>
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4.2. Results of MDS in Rapfish Method

The results of MDS analysis for each dimension is shown in Figure 1 to 5. In Figure 1, based on the dimension Ecology, all CBWS are in good sustainability. It indicates that the management put efforts in maintaining and protecting water sources and its water abstraction are below yield capacity.

Figure 1 shows the sustainability status of each CBWS based on ecological dimension. Tirta Barokah and Tirta Sejahtera are in good (sustainable status). CBWS Tirta Kamandanu and Tirta Agung has reached sustainable status, which are barely over 50.

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Furthermore, the dimension of Economic such as shown in Figure 5, shows that Tirta Barokah and Tirta Sejahtera are in sustainable status. However, Tirta Kamandanu and Tirta Agung has low sustainability (Not Sustainable status), since it has low score of 28.57 and 29.30 respectively.

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5 Conclusion and Recommendation

1. It shows that the MDS method within the Rapfish method can be comprehensively applied in accessing sustainability area wide including in water supply.

2. The type of source water (deep well or springs) does not have significant (determining factor) guaranteeing sustainable CBWS. Rather, it more dependent to its management practices.

3. CBWS Tirta Barokah (using deep well) and Tirta Sejahtera (using springs water) are two CBWS which are currently can be said to be on the right track of sustainability as indicated by the score of each dimension reaches over 50. They are also having some distinguishing features as well which are the modal for further development. The strategy recommended is to focus on maintaining the management practices and more improvements on its operational aspects in order to gain more strengths.

4. CBWS Tirta Kamandanu (using deep well) and Tirta Agung (using springs) show that these CBWS has not run well as indicated that the score in dimension of institution and economics are far below 50. It needs urgent improvement on the dimension of institution (organisation, job description, and its management, etc.) and on the dimension of economic. The recommended strategy is changing the current management practices overcoming the weaknesses, seek assistance and facilitation from outside institutions (government institution).

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