CHAPTER VI

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 Conclusion

Several of Padang Elderly women tend to participated in economic activity. 65,5% of elderly women working in informal sectors and formal sector. And only 34.5% of elderly women only stay at home, husband income or family income when the elderly women choose stay with her children. Most of elderly women working in informal sector, as a bargainer is the first choice of elderly women in Padang, the reason of elderly choose working as bargainer is easy to find goods for selling such as vegetable, elderly women can get it from forest, or buy from farmer to get cheaper price or come home to home asking of unused seasoning for cooking Padang popular with used large of seasoning. Elderly women choose to open cafe, beside low cost to open cafe and cafe all of total household member can participated in one place. And in formal sector most of elderly women working as a teacher or as lecture because of age factor, government employees people with age < 60, and the respondent should be ≥ 60 years old.

Base on this research the factors that affected elderly women participation in economic activity in Padang by using logistic regression analysis, it can be conclude as follow:

Factors affecting elderly women partition in economic activity in Padang are, education, income and sector. The variable of education statistically significant in level 95%, tendency of variable education to occur participation elderly women in economic activity in Padang. Elderly women with low educational level tend to participate in economic activity, but the elderly women who has high level education tend to stay at home and waiting to receive their pension.

The variable of income statistically significant, tendency income below average of minimum wage to occur participation elderly women in economic activity in Padang. Then, elderly with income above average minimum wage. Most of elderly women who participate in economic activity tend to be a poor. But elderly women with the high education level and still working, that because she is competent.

The variable of sectors statistically significant in level 95%, tendency of informal sector to occur elderly women participation in economic in Padang. Then, elderly who working in formal sector.

The variable of total household member statistically not significant in level 95%, household member not affected elderly women participation in economic activity in Padang. In this cases there were tradition culture, most of elderly women live together with their children and grandchildren.

The variable of marital status statistically not significant. Tendency single parent not occur to elderly women participation in economic activity in Padang. Any losses incurred from the elderly women participation in economic activity largely caused by elderly women who work in informal sector. There are some disadvantages such as, improperly use public goods, several of food made from unhealthy material, because of elderly only think of profit.

6.2 Recommendation

Base on this study elderly women participation in economic activity in Padang, there are some suggestion from the author as follows:

It needs special attention from the Government and some action to provide or training the elderly women working is not only about income but it also has social interaction that actually elder people need.

It is expect to that increasing age limitation of government employees who has better achievement and professionally, get more longer contract as government employees and provide opportunities of elderly women for career.

Education will assist elderly women knowledge and to review elderly women mind, become educational seller or some activity in profitable without make any endanger for consumer.

Government should provide or expected that the government provide a container or a place for informal sector workers to work or develop their business. So, the elderly women not use public goods for personal gain.

It is expected that after this study there is further research that analyzed about the factors that elderly women participation in economic activity with variables that can provide greater influence.