

CHAPTER V. CONCLUSION

A. Conclusion

Research on the Analysis of Women Farmer's Role in Solok Radjo Coffee Farming, which was conducted in Nagari Aie Dingin, Lembah Gumanti District, Solok Regency, has the following conclusions:

1. Conclusions about women coffee farmers roles:

- a) The Solok Radjo women farmers hold the most significant responsibility for the productive activities in clearing weeds, harvesting, and delivering coffee cherries to the Buying Station. Even though being coffee farmers is not their primary job, the women farmers are still actively involved in their family's coffee farming business from maintaining the plants to managing the income they earn from selling the coffee cherries.
- b) All work related to household activities is carried out entirely by female family members whom women coffee farmers dominate as mothers and wives. The unequal distribution of roles in Solok Radjo coffee farming households is evident from the absence of participation of male family members in reproductive activities. While women in these households bear the burden of reproductive activity, they also mobilize their time and energy to care for coffee plants. In contrast, husbands and sons only engage in productive activities. This is due to local culture and stereotypes that label women as the sole caretakers of the household, while men are considered inappropriate for performing house chores.
- c) Access to and control over resources and benefits in the Solok Radjo coffee farmer households are distributed based on their involvement in productive coffee farming activities.

2. The average time women farmers spend on coffee farming activities is 174.4 hours in a year for 9% of the total time allocation for weed clearing, fertilizing, harvesting, and delivering coffee cherries to Solok Radjo Buying Station. Women farmers spend 1549.5 hours or 76% of their annual time on reproductive activities. Meanwhile, the time for social involvement is 303.8 hours or 66% per year. This finding proves that the main priority of Solok Radjo women coffee farmers is taking care of their families and managing the household.

B. Suggestion

1. Every family member in the coffee farmer household should support and help each other work in both productive and reproductive activities to prevent physical detriment from excessive workload of a party.
2. Solok Radjo Cooperative should start re-holding routine extension activities that moderately involve women and men farmers to ensure equitable benefits.
3. Further research is needed regarding the revenue contribution of the Solok Radjo women coffee farmer resulting from the small productive time they spend tending their coffee plants.

