Adaptive System's Coupling in The Development of Community Forest

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Background

Community Forest in Yogyakarta Province develop fastly (in 2006 \rightarrow 28.630 ha to 2015 →67.426 ha; increase about 135 %)

There are several external and internal interventions

Community Forest and livelihood→ inseparable part (couple systems)

The dynamic of the situation generated adaptive power.

Community in managing forests adaptive to the environmental condition, needs, and market

State of Problem

There is a need for identifying the dynamics of coupled systems between community forest and livelihood

There is a need for determining components that driving the couple systems

AIMS of RESEARCH

redefine community forests based on the current condition find components which have adaptive power to move the coupling system between community forest and livelihood system as a complex system formulate feasible scenarios for policy intervention to generate strategies that accelerate the contribution of community forests in the livelihood LOCAT ION



Research Methods

- direct interviews using questionnaires
- field observation

Data Collecting Systems modelling

Analysis

- Identify socioeconomic farmers to manage their forests using Ordinal Logistic Regression
- causal loop diagram (CLD) presentation

- guides meaningful discussion on realistic situation
- formulate possible scenarios for policy intervention

Discussion

Redefinition of Community Forest

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located in private lands

must create microclimate that is different from the surrounding environment

must have subsistence, commercial, and conservation purposes characterize biophysical conditions in the form of trees (timber, non timber, fruit plants) that can also be combined with agricultural crops (as well as livestock)

> family or institutional-based management,

managed by the communities based on local self learning and/or new technology that has been introduced



Discussion Community Forest Development MOTIVATION

Gash crops

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Fuelwood

Bareland



Causal Loop Diagram

Identification of Drivers coupling systems

- 1. Provision of total needs
- 2. Land area ownership
- 3. Land conditions
- 4. Allocation of lands for food crops and horticulture
- 5. Planting, maintaining and harvesting profision
- 6. Availability of farming financial capital
- 7. Availability of farming man power
- 8. Knowledge, skills, creativity in forest management





Identification of adaptive coupling system





Possible scenario for community forest development

Non-farming persons

Part-time farmers

Government assistance should be carried out building capacity towards professional business of farmers (not anymore as subsistence level)

Focused government assistance in intensive agroforestry community forest cultivation Government may provide assistance in intensive agroforestry community forest cultivation

Full-time farmers

- Community forest farmer groups are activated to support the development of knowledge management;
- Financial assistance may be provided without troubling household balance

Conclusions

Community forest is a system which always in the coupled state with and adaptive to the different systems of livelihood

The power of systems' coupling between community forest and livelihood has its potential to generate most feasible scenarios for policy intervention, as well as generating strategy to accelerate the contribution of community forest to the improvement of the quality of livelihood depending on degrees of coupling.

