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# Preparedness of the Sepakung Village Disaster Risk Reduction Forum in Facing Landslide Disasters

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## ABSTRACT

Sepakung Village is included in a landslide-prone area in Semarang Regency, Central Java. The purpose of this study was to analyze the preparedness of the Sepakung Disaster Risk Reduction Forum. The research method used is quantitative with descriptive percentage analysis technique. The population of this study were members of the Sepakung FPRB. The sampling technique used is total sampling. Data collection techniques using questionnaires, and documentation. The results of data processing show that the knowledge of the landslide risk of the FPRB Sepakung is quite good. This is shown by the average descriptive percentage score reaching 78.409091%. The experience of the Sepakung FPRB is not good with an average score of 65.0909091%. The attitude of the respondent's vigilance is included in the good category with a descriptive score of the percentage reaching 85%. The level of preparedness of the Sepakung FPRB is in the good category with an average score of 76.931818%. This condition also illustrates the concept of an effective Disaster Resilient Village to form FPRB preparedness.

**Keywords:** disaster risk reduction forum, landslide, disaster, preparedness

## INTRODUCTION

Sepakung Village has a Disaster Risk Reduction Forum (FPRB) which was established in 2018. This forum is tasked with handling disaster-related issues at the local level. Based on the decision of the head of the Sepakung village number 11 of 2018 the FPRB is not part of the

government structure of the Sepakung Village, but the government can be involved in it along with other components of the community. The process of its formation coincided with the inauguration of Sepakung Village as a Disaster Resilient Village.

The status of Sepakung Village as a Disaster Resilient Village requires community preparedness. Here the FPRB has duties and responsibilities in this regard. Research on community preparedness in dealing with disasters is urgently needed to manage disasters in the future (Aji, 2015). The community is the main actor who directly feels the impact of the disaster, it needs to be built together with emergency response efforts to disasters (Farhi et al., 2012).

One way to address the increased risk of severe natural hazard events is to build on existing qualities within communities, to strengthen capacities that enable affected communities to better prepare for, cope with, and recover from adverse impacts (Scherzer et al., 2019). This condition of preparedness will direct residents to communities that have resilience in dealing with disasters. Resilience requires improvisation, flexibility, adaptation, and innovation to change conditions (Park et al., 2013).

Preparedness is a state of readiness to respond to disasters, crises, or other types of emergency situations (Federal Emergency Management Agency; Rañeses et al., 2018). This readiness condition can be

identified through knowledge of disaster risk, experience in dealing with disasters, and an attitude of vigilance (Rante et al., 2012). Knowledge is the basis for citizens to act. If knowledge of disaster risk is low, it can result in low awareness of citizens about disasters.

Preparedness in dealing with landslides can be seen from the ability to recognize disasters that have the potential to occur in the residential environment, the ability to recognize signs of impending disaster, and awareness to manage a disaster-friendly living environment. (Rante et al., 2012). Community capacity is very important here in realizing preparedness. This is because preparedness requires skills that must be continuously trained.

The village that has been lined up to become a disaster-resilient village is an area prone to landslides. Landslide is the movement of slope material down and out of the slope due to the influence of gravity (Alkema et al., 2011). Landslides, the movement of masses of rock, debris or soil down slopes, are natural processes that have shaped most of the Earth's landforms. (Vasudevan & Ramanathan, 2016). If identified from the speed of movement of landslide material slides, landslides have a faster movement compared to soil crawling, flowing soil and flowing mud (Suharini, 2009).

The combination of anthropogenic and natural factors is often the cause of landslides that take lives and property losses (Naryanto, 2011). Based on studies conducted Hasnawir (2012) in South Sulawesi shows that rainfall intensity above 50 mm/hour can cause shallow landslides that cause property damage including loss of human life.

Human activities that can affect the occurrence of landslides, such as illegal logging and establishing settlements in cliff areas (Mariana et al., 2019). In addition, factors that cause landslides originating from other human activities include land use and land conversion, mining on the slopes of a hill and/or highlands. (Ritohardoyo,

2016). Landslides are a major threat to various lines of human life, including settlements, infrastructure, and the natural environment in most mountainous areas in the world, (Chae et al., 2017) so we need to be careful.

The role of the FPRB in participating in shaping community preparedness is very necessary. Therefore, members of this forum must first have this preparedness. The goal is that each member can become a landslide risk reduction cadre in their respective environment. That is why it is necessary to know the Preparedness of the Sepakung Village Disaster Risk Reduction Forum in Facing Landslide Disasters.

## MATERIALS & METHODS

This research is a quantitative research using a descriptive percentage analysis technique. Quantitative approach is a research method based on the philosophy of positivism, used to examine certain populations or samples, data collection using research instruments, data analysis is quantitative/statistical, with the aim of testing predetermined hypotheses. (Sugiyono, 2017). Descriptive percentage technique was used to analyze the variables of knowledge of disaster risk, experience of dealing with disasters and attitude of vigilance. The population of this study were members of the Sepakung FPRB, totaling 11 people. The sampling technique used is total sampling. This is because the existing population is less than 30 people.

Table 1.1 Likert scale for preparedness level Likert scale for preparedness level

No	Kriteria	Skor nilai
1	Strongly Agree : SS	4
2	Agree : S	3
3	Disagree : TS	2
4	Strongly Disagree: STS	1

Source: Data Processing, 2021

Data collection techniques in this study used questionnaires distributed to respondents and documentation. The questionnaire was used to determine the level of preparedness of the FPRB in dealing with landslides in Sepakung Village.

The measuring instrument used is a Likert scale with 4 statements, namely strongly agree, agree, disagree and disagree.

The percentage descriptive calculation to determine the preparedness level category can be seen below:

1. Percentage of maximum score

$$= 4 \times 20 \times 100 = 8000$$

$$\frac{8000}{8000} \times 100\% = 100\%$$

2. Percentage of minimum score =  $1 \times 20 \times 100 = 2000$

$$\frac{2000}{8000} \times 100\% = 25\%$$

3. Rentang =  $100\% - 25\% = 75\%$

$$4. \text{ Interval Class Length} = \frac{\text{range}}{\text{Many criteria}} = \frac{75\%}{4} = 18,75\%$$

**Table 1.2 Preparedness Level Criteria**

Interval (%)	Kriteria
>93,77	Very Good
68,77-93,77	Good
43,76-68,76	Poorly
≤25-43,75	Not Good

Source: Data Processing, 2021

There are 4 criteria to determine the level of preparedness of the Sepakung FPRB, namely very good, good, poorly, and not good.

Documentation is used to collect secondary data as supporting data. The secondary data includes the physical condition of Sepakung Village and the time of landslide occurrence in Sepakung Village.

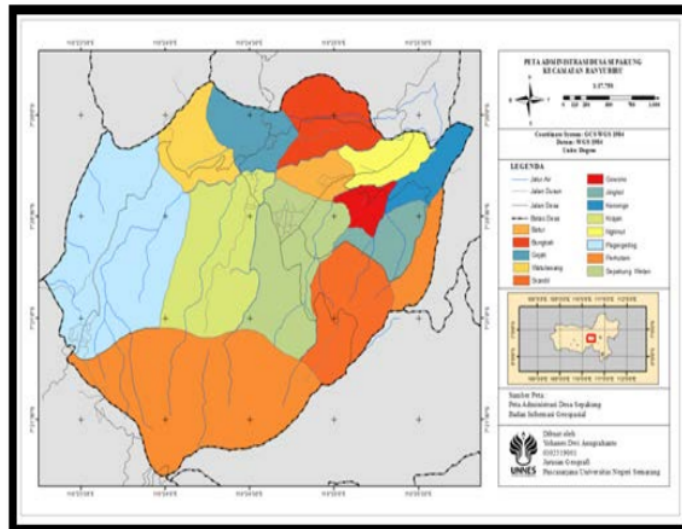


Figure 1.1 Research of Map Location  
Source: Data Processing, 2021

## RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Sepakung Village often receives training related to disasters conducted by BPBD from both the district and provincial levels. Unfortunately, preparedness is not an absolute thing. Preparedness behavior is dynamic, sometimes it can increase or decrease. Administratively, Sepakung Village is bordered by Tegaron Village and Kemambang Village in the north, and

Kebumen Village in the east. To the south, it is bordered by Getasan Village and Magelang Regency. In the west it is bordered by Wirogomo Village. Sepakung Village is included in the administrative area of Semarang Regency.

The village of Sepakung is located in a sloping hilly area in the northern part of Mount Telomoyo, approximately at an altitude of 900-1000 meters above sea level.

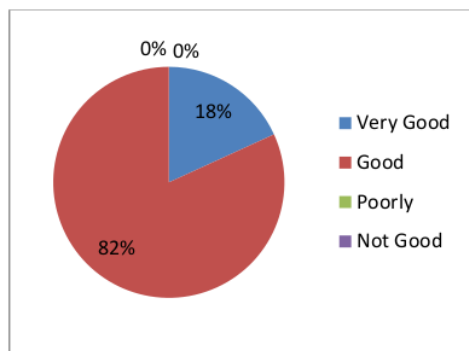
Geologically, Telomoyo Volcano is dominated by basaltic andesite lava rock types with local pyroclastic flows (Ramadhan et al., 2014). Andesite lava is one of the lava that is resistant to weathering (Dana et al., 2017). Research result Sriyono (2012) shows that Sepakung Village is in a landslide-prone area which is in zone A, zone B, and zone C. Zone A Sepakung Village is included in the landslide-prone area at moderate level, zones B and C include medium and low level. Most of the Sepakung Villages are included in zone C with a medium vulnerability category of 762.259 Ha. A small part of Sepakung Village is included in zone A in the moderate vulnerability category of 3.16 hectares.

### Knowledge of Landslide Disaster Risk

Tabel 1.2 Knowledge of Landslide Disaster Risk

R	Skor	DP (%)	Kategori
R1	33	82,5	Good
R2	30	75	Good
R3	30	75	Good
R4	30	75	Good
R5	30	75	Good
R6	40	100	Very Good
R7	29	72,5	Good
R8	25	62,5	Good
R9	32	80	Good
R10	35	87,5	Very Good
R11	31	77,5	Good
Rerata	31,363636	78,409091	Good

Source: Data Processing, 2021



People who live in disaster-prone areas need to have adequate knowledge about disasters that are prone to occur in the area where they live. Disaster knowledge owned by the community needs to be the main concern of stakeholders to improve

community preparedness. Knowledge of landslide risk in this study uses the parameters of the availability of information about hazards, mitigation actions, and knowledge of landslides possessed (Rañeses et al., 2018).

Based on the table, the respondent's knowledge of disaster risk is included in the good category with a score of 78.41%, 82% of respondents are in the good category and 18% are very good.

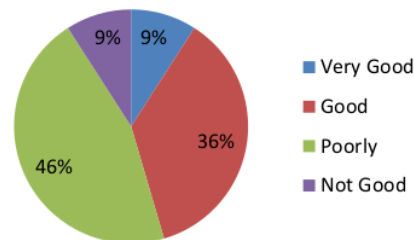
### Experience Facing Disaster

Based on Havwina (2016), the experience of dealing with disasters can be identified through several indicators, including the experience of a person being directly affected by a disaster, the memory of a disaster, the presence of family members who are victims, residing in disaster-prone areas. The parameters of the experience of landslides in this study were (1) having experienced landslides directly, (2) clearly remembering landslide events, (3) experiencing losses due to landslides, (4) learning from landslides.

Tabel 1.3 Experience Facing Disaster

R	Score	DP (%)	Category
R1	14	70	Good
R2	13	65	Poorly
R3	13	65	Poorly
R4	15	75	Good
R5	3	15	Not Good
R6	20	100	Very Good
R7	10	50	Poorly
R8	14	70	Good
R9	16	80	Good
R10	13	65	Poorly
R11	14	70	Poorly
Rerata	13,181818	65,909091	Poorly

Source: Data Processing, 2021



The table shows that 46% of respondents are in the good category, 36% are not good, 9% are very good, and 9% are not good. The results of the calculation of the average score show that the experience of respondents in dealing with disasters is included in the poor category with a total score of 65.909091.

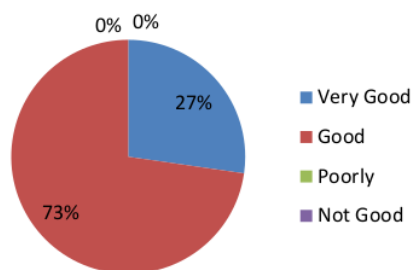
### Attitude of Alertness

The attitude of vigilance can reduce the number of fatalities caused by disasters (Nasarudin, et al., 2019). Based on Rante (2012) Attitude is one of the most influential variables on preparedness. Most of the respondents in this study had a good attitude of vigilance. This is shown based on the results of the descriptive percentage calculation in table 1.4 below.

Tabel 1.4 Attitude of Alertness

R	Score	DP (%)	Category
R1	19	95	Very Good
R2	18	90	Good
R3	17	85	Good
R4	15	75	Good
R5	15	75	Good
R6	20	100	Very Good
R7	15	75	Good
R8	19	95	Very Good
R9	16	80	Good
R10	18	90	Good
R11	15	75	Good
Rerata	17	85	Good

Source: Data Processing, 2021



Based on the table 73% of respondents are in the good category and, 27% of respondents, are very good. The average calculation shows the results of a descriptive percentage score of 85%, which

means that it is included in the good category.

### Preparedness Level of the Sepakung Disaster Risk Reduction Forum

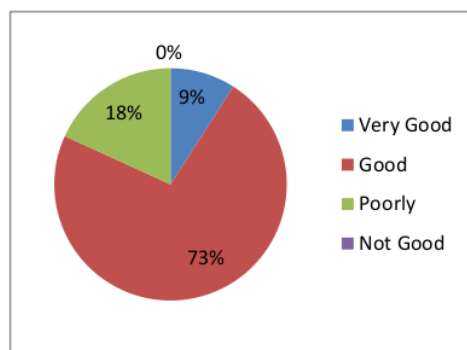
Any pre-disaster activity that aims to develop operational capacity and facilitate effective response when a disaster occurs can be referred to as preparedness (Amri et al., 2020). Disaster preparedness is often linked to other components that make up global civil defense and protection measures (Pinheiro et al., 2021). Based on Rante (2012) preparedness is influenced by knowledge, awareness, and experience in dealing with disasters.

Based on the results of his research, knowledge and attitude of vigilance are the dominant factors that affect preparedness. In this study, the level of preparedness was examined with aspects of knowledge of disaster risk, attitude of vigilance, and understanding of facing disasters. Based on the results of data analysis, it can be seen that the level of preparedness of the Sepakung FPRB is in the good category.

Tabel 1.5 Preparedness Level

R	Score	DP (%)	Category
R1	66	82,5	Good
R2	61	76,25	Good
R3	60	75	Good
R4	60	75	Good
R5	48	60	Poorly
R6	80	100	Very Good
R7	54	67,5	Poorly
R8	58	72,5	Good
R9	64	80	Good
R10	66	82,5	Good
R11	60	75	Good
Rerata	61,545455	76,931818	Good

Source: Data Processing, 2021



Based on table 1.5, 73% of respondents are in the good category, 18% of respondents are not good, and 9% of respondents are very good. The average calculation shows the descriptive percentage score of 76.93%, which means that the level of preparedness of the Sepakung FPRB is in the good category.

## CONCLUSION

The level of preparedness of the Sepakung FPRB is in the good category. This could be due to ongoing trainings carried out by the village government. This condition also illustrates the concept of an effective Disaster Resilient Village to form FPRB preparedness. However, it should be underlined that there are still 18% of respondents who are in the poor category so that the government also needs to conduct an evaluation. The evaluation was carried out to find out the cause of the 18% of FPRB members who had poor preparedness.

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