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LIBRARY DIGITALIZATION THROUGH THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES OF SEKOLAH INDONESIA KUALA LUMPUR (SIKL)'S LIBRARY

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Abstract

The international community service initiative conducted at the Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur aims to provide real benefits in the effort to create a digital library at SIKL, which can enhance the learning interest of students at Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and as a learning media that is easier to accessible and enjoyable, which will ultimately contribute to the development of quality human resources capable of competing in the future. The International service provided by the Postgraduate Lecturer of Economics, through the program "Library Digitalization Through the Provision of Library Facilities of Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur (SIKL)'s will support the facilities for a digital library at SIKL. Library facilities at SIKL are still limited. Given this situation, there is a need for a media that can facilitate the search for information and broaden knowledge to increase interest in learning for SIKL students. These facilities include PCs, TVs, and Speakers. The results of the community service are expected to contribute to enhancing interest in learning and facilitating the learning process at Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Keywords: SIKL, Digital Library, Human Resources, interest in learning.

INTRODUCTION

In the era of globalization, the importance of quality human resources is paramount. One of the efforts to enhance the quality of human resources is the development of reading interest and reading habits. Based on these facts, libraries are expected to serve as the center for activities aimed at fostering reading interest and reading habits. One strategy for promoting reading enthusiasm is through the distribution of books. Books are one of the absolute requirements needed for the development of reading interest and enthusiasm development programs, especially for early childhood who certainly do not know much about information technology.

Information and communication technology or ICT (Information and Communication Technology) has become an inseparable part of global life. The advancement of ICT eventually gave birth to computer-based libraries, including library automation and digital libraries. A Digital Library is a library system that utilizes electronic facilities to disseminate information from available information sources. The electronics facilities used can reach a wide audience through computers, telephones, the internet, intranets, and other devices that are currently developing. Therefore, the International community service program "Library Digitalization Through the Provision of Facilities of Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur (SIKL)" given to Indonesian children attending the Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur to access broader learning information from various sources that can increase interest in reading with easier and more enjoyable tools and processes.

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Picture 1. Implementation of community service at SIKL

The problems faced are partner problems that are very diverse and interrelated between one problem and another, but the problem raised here is the problem of inadequate digital-based library facilities at the Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. By seeing the urgency of the importance of digital library facilities that can increase children's reading habits in schools which can support higher quality human resources for life in the future.

This aligns with the objectives SDGS number four, which aims to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and increasing lifelong learning opportunities for all. Therefore, the International community service initiative involving the Postgraduate Lecturers of Economics, University of North Sumatra and Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia has agreed to implement the program "Library Digitalization Through the Provision of Facilities of Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur (SIKL)" to further enhance the capabilities of Indonesian children living in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.



Picture 2. Students at Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur

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1. Place and Time

The Community service activity was conducted at the Sekolah Indonesia of Kuala Lumpur (SIKL) on 1 November 2022



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2. Target Audience

The target for this program is Indonesian children who attend Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Until now, the electronic facilities for the digital library have been inadequate. Therefore, with the provision of electronic devices such as PCs, TVs, and speakers, is expected to facilitate easier access to a broader range of learning information, thereby facilitating the teaching and learning process and enhancing the quality of human resources to enable them to compete in the future.

3. Steps in partner issues

To solve the partner's issues, activities conducted included providing facilities such as electronic goods (PCs, TV, and speakers) to adequately support the digital library facilities at the Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

4. Implementation Method

The implementation of this community service activity began with conducting surveys and mapping the partner, followed by socialization to training and mentoring partners. The applied methods can be described as follows:

- a) **Pre-activity preparation:** This involved conducting an online pre-survey. The purpose of this field pre-survey was to identify important aspects for evaluating the partner's problems and needs. With assistance from the school principal, the team was able to gather comprehensive information regarding the conditions and things needed at the Indonesian School in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- b) **Initial socialization:** This is related to discussing solutions to the problems experienced by partner's.
- c) **Preparation of an activity schedule:** The preparation of a schedule was intended to ensure that the implementation of activities was organized and directed.
- d) **Submission of information and provision of electronics:** This served as learning media to support the establishment of a digital library.
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5. Partner Participation

The partner participated by providing information regarding learning activities and the needs of the Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur, ensuring that this International Service Program ran smoothly. The partner is also expected to maintain the provided facilities so they can be beneficial and usable over the long term. In case of a situation outside the planned activities, the partner can communicate with the service team to seek solutions to occurring problems.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur or abbreviated as SIKL, is an Indonesian International school located in Kuala Lumpur. SIKL provides teaching and learning facilities from kindergarten to high school. The Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia plays a crucial role in delivering educational services for people who are outside the Indonesian territory, especially those in Malaysia. The Sekolah Indonesia high school follows the national education curriculum under the management of the Indonesian Embassy in Kuala Lumpur.

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Picture 3. Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur

The activities conducted involved providing electronic goods such as PCs, TVs, and speakers to support the digital library facilities at SIKL. This enhancement aims to make the teaching and learning process more enjoyable, allowing students to access a broader range of information and knowledge.

The results obtained from this activity are:

- 1. Increase students' interest in learning with the digital library
- 2. Facilitate wider access to information
- 3. Make it easier for teachers and students in teaching and learning activities.
- 4.



Picture 4. Hand over of electronic goods to SIKL

CLOSING Conclusion

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The community service initiative at the Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur (SIKL) conducted by the Postgraduate Lecturer of Economics, University of North Sumatra, involved participants who are Indonesian children attending school at the Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The community service activities conducted have been delivered in the form of "Library Digitalization Through the Provision of Library Facilities at the Sekolah Indonesia Kuala Lumpur (SIKL)". The results of this community service activity are the provision of electronics goods in the form of PCs, TVs, and speakers.



Suggestions and Thank you note Suggestions

The partner is expected to optimally utilize the provided electronic equipment by maintaining and caring for it, which will enhance students interest in learning and facilitate the learning process in the future. This will also enable the possibility of further community service initiatives in the future.

Thank you note

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