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## YKIP Update on the Outbreak of COVID-19

This is a very difficult time for all of us. The outbreak of COVID-19 has affected so many people around the world, as WHO declared the outbreak a global health concern and characterized COVID-19 as a pandemic in March. As a response to this, YKIP has taken some necessary steps to prevent the spread of the virus:

### **Implementing Working from Home Policy**

As the Indonesian government advised all the citizens to halt the spread of the coronavirus by practicing social distancing, YKIP staff started to work from home on Monday, 23 March 2020 until further notice. All staff are working remotely from their own home and only go to the office for an urgent matter.

## Postponing all the field work

YKIP temporarily stopped all field-related work, including surveys and monitoring, starting the beginning of March. The last field work was the vocational candidate survey. We will continue to do our field work as soon when the government advises that it is safe to work as normal.



## Postponing the donation distribution

It is with a heavy heart that YKIP decided to postpone the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter donation distribution. It was scheduled mid-April, but due to more reported cases of COVID-19 infection in the region, the distribution is rescheduled until it is conducive to safe social activity. We realize that this decision will be very hard for all of us, especially for the children in our KEMBALI program, however it is necessary to prevent further spreading of the virus and for the safety of our sponsored children and their community.

We will do our best to minimize the effect of the COVID-19 outbreak to everyone working with YKIP

## **Alief: Law Enforcer and Cinematographer**

A few years ago, one of YKIP sponsored students' story under KIDS program, Alief, was on national news. It was when Alief and his younger brother, Aldi, met the son of the Bali Bombing 1 executor. You might wonder how Alief is doing now. Here is the update about him.

Graduated from senior high school, Alief studied law in Udayana University. After about a year in Udayana University, Alief then pursued his dream of becoming a law enforcer. He continued his study in the State Polytechnic of Immigration, majoring in Immigration Law. Although the tuition has been paid by the government, YKIP under KIDS program has been supporting Alief with accommodation in Jakarta. Now he is in the third semester of his three-year training and active in the students' organization as a public relation officer. He needs to take a lot of event photos and creating video contents for his institution. He has become very familiar with using a camera to take both photos and videos. Since then, he fell in love with photography and cinematography.

Alief's passion to that field took him to a competition last year; Olimpiade Perguruan Tinggi Kedinasan (State-owned Educational Institution Olympic). Along with his friends, Alief joined the competition in cinematography field. Although the result was not yet very satisfying for him, in which his group came in the fourth place, it didn't stop him for achieving further.

Earlier this year, the competition was held again. Alief and his friends had learnt a lot from the last year result. They re-joined the competition and made a lot of improvement on their work. Alief was one of the core team members in the cine-



matography competition. He was in charge of making the scenario and taking the scenes.

Their work was named "Percaya" or Believe. The film was about the immigration official who had to choose one of his staffs to lead a project. This official then remembered his experience when he was at school and the memory enabled him to make a wise decision. This 12- minute movie has been viewed by more than 28.000 viewers. This beautiful work won the second place in cinematography competition and became the favourite movie. Alief and his team got 2 medals from this competition.

YKIP is really proud of Alief and we wish him the best in continuing his study as well as pursuing his hobby in cinematography. Keep up the good work, Alief.



### **Donor Visit: Dan and Nina meet Jeni for The First Time**

Ten years ago, Dan and Nina Fendel knew about YKIP from their friend, Mrs. Rucina Ballinger, who was the Managing Director of YKIP at the time. From the meeting, Dan and Nina were informed of YKIP KEMBALI Program, and they showed a great interest in sponsoring a child in the program. They then decided to sponsor a girl who was at an elementary school at the time. Now Jeni, their sponsored child, is in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade.

Jeni is a bright student who always gets good grades in her report cards. Every year, she becomes one of the best students in her class. Jeni actively engages in her school activities. For example, she joined a social activity such as volunteering for the refugees during Mount Agung eruption two years ago. She is also involved in other clubs' activities at school.

In February, Dan and Nina came to Bali after attending a wedding in Thailand. During their brief visit to the island, they made time to meet their sponsored student, Jeni and her family in Sanur.

On the sunny bright day, we arrived at Jeni's house and met with the family. Jeni was accompanied by her mother and elder brother. Her father was off to work at the time.

Jeni was so nervous when she met her sponsors.

She didn't speak much at the beginning, but later on she shared her story with Dan and Nina. Dan, a retired professor of Mathematics in the States, got a big surprise from Jeni. Jeni told him that she was appointed as one of the representatives of Bali to compete in a regional mathematic competition in Surabaya two years ago. Jeni has a great interest in math and a few days prior to the visit of the sponsors, she joined a competition in math, representing her school. Dan was very happy to learn that and said that it is quite rare for girls to have a great interest in math.

Dan and Nina also shared their stories with Jeni. Dan, together with his friends, authored a book to help people understand math in an easier way. During his services at university, Dan focused on math teacher-training and developing the curriculum of math for senior high school. Nina is a lawyer and legal educator who dedicates her work to help non-lawyers to understand law. Jeni was very interested in what her sponsors do.

After exchanging their interesting stories, Dan and Nina went back to their hotel. They left a message to Jeni to plan her future well and work hard to pursue her dream, which is really appreciated by Jeni.

## **Creating a Business in Photography with Pande**



You may remember the story about Pande, our field officer who was also a former sponsored student in KEMBALI and Vocational Programs. After finishing his study in vocational program, Pande continued his education at a university, while working as a field officer at YKIP at the same time. Pande is passionate about photography and has become a good photographer. Many photographs on YKIP social media were taken by Pande and one of the prominent pictures in YKIP's crowdfunding account was also captured by him. He then developed his hobby into a promising business. Using his free time after work and study, Pande started his own online photography business. Taking advantages of various social media platforms, he has been getting many cli-

ents for his photography projects. He has worked with a number of travellers, businesses, influencers, and even with local government institutions.

"Photography as a business has a very big opportunity to grow, because many people like to be photographed and love to have good pictures to be displayed on their social media platforms. It is a trend now that every event has their photos and videos taken for documentation." Pande's view on the business during his sharing session.

His hard work was recognised by his campus and he was invited to be a speaker in an entrepreneur seminar held by the Digital Entrepreneur Students' club. The seminar was held on 13 March 2020 at his campus and was attended by many students who were interested in starting a business in photography. During the seminar, Pande shared about the history of his journey in establishing his business. He also pointed out the secrets of how he turned challenges into opportunities. Additionally, the young entrepreneur shared the hacks to start a business, especially in the field of photography. The participants were incredibly enthusiastic, which made the sharing session ran lively.

YKIP is really proud of Pande's achievements! Not only he becomes the inspiration for younger students in our KEMBALI and Vocational programs, but he also inspires others in wider community. Keep inspiring, Pande!

# **APPEAL FOR SUPPORT**

Help us break the cycle of poverty by sponsoring a child through the KEMBALI Scholarship Program. Child sponsorship is a life changing experience; you will not only touch the life of the child you are sponsoring, but you will also see that their success changes the lives of their family and community. Please find in the list below how little the price is to sponsor a student still needing help in the new Academic Year of 2020/2021:

School Level	Sponsorship rate		
	IDR	USD	Paypal USD
Elementary, Grade 1-6	2,606,000	194	204
Junior High, Grade 7	5,575,000	413	433
Junior High, Grade 8 or 9	4,730,000	351	368
Senor High, Grade 10	6,634,000	492	515
Senior High, Grade 11 or 12	5,778,000	428	449

For more information about child sponsorship, you may contact us at info@ykip.org.

Exchange rate: The exchange rate used in converting the education cost is assumed at IDR 13,500 for USD, due to uncertainty of the exchange rate and to ensure that the fund after the conversion to Rupiah is sufficient.

Account name	Yayasan Kemanusiaan Ibu Pertiwi
IDR Account No.	0556.01.000245.30.4
USD Account No.	0556.02.000009.30.6
Bank Name	PT. Bank Rakyat Indonesia (Persero) Tbk.
Branch	Kuta
Branch Code	0556
Address	Jalan Dewi Sri no. 99X, Kuta, Badung- Bali, Indonesia
Swift Code	BRINIDJA

#### ABOUT YOUR DONATION:

- Please kindly assist us with the bank charges and advise your bank to "send full amount".
- Any donation will be verified against the bank.
- A receipt will be issued based on the amount we received as stated in our bank account or PayPal account.
- A PayPal donation can be processed by visiting our website www.ykip.org and then referring to the PayPal rate Education Cost listed for each program.

YKIP is extremely grateful for all of the support that the Inspirasia Foundation and Mitrais have given so we are able to deliver educational assistance to disadvantaged children.

# Inspirasia FOUNDATION

The Inspirasia Foundation is a philanthropy portfolio making investments in health & education projects with a high potential for growth, helping some of the most marginalized social groups in India, Indonesia, and Thailand, including the disabled, poor young women, and unschooled children. We believe in the power of "What IF." The Inspirasia Foundation, establish-ed as the Annika Linden Foundation in 2003, was formed as a positive response to the tragic 2002 Bali terror bombing in Kuta, and as a memorial to the spirit of the more than 200 innocent victims of that bomb, among them young Annika Linden. Today, the Inspirasia Foundation supports 13 partners

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across Asia, including in Bali.

2020 sees Mitrais entering its 18th year of involvement in supporting YKIP activities. Mitrais' involvement started in 2002 when Mitrais' staff were involved in the Bali Bombings relief action, their support has continued through today and includes the provision of office space, accounting, IT, and internet support, as well as other volunteer services. Senior Mitrais employees are on the YKIP management board, cementing an already close bond between the two organizations. Please visit www.mitrais.com for further information.

## TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

From January to March 2020, many volunteers dedicated their time to help YKIP.

Every day we're grateful for a volunteer like you and no words can convey our gratitude for your tremendous contribution. Thank you!

#### **Mitrais:**

Ni Wayan Luh Sukertiasih Nurull Vadjar Naisin

#### **Individuals:**

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Ni Luh Ade Ariani

Ni Wayan Arya Niti

Ni Kadek Juniartini

Luh Yehning Sari

Ni Tagel Sepriani

I Wayan Tagel Budiartana

NI Wayan Ika Prasanti

A.A Sri Dalem

I Komang Mardika

Ni Wayan Suadiani

I Putu Mulyawarman

Ni Putu Sanastya Mas Deviana

Ni Kadek Muriani

I Wayan Tena

Pande Kadek Muliati Astiti

I Kadek Sudarmawan

Ni Kadek Nita Yanti

I Wayan Nik Arta Wijaya

Ni Komang Ayu Listiawati

NI Kadek Sukmawati

I Putu Gede Yogi Pratama

Ni Komang Widi

Ni Luh Lili Andini

I Nengah Pandita Yoga

Ni Kadek Widianti

I Nyoman Santika Yasa

I Wayan Darsana

I Ketut Darma Putra

Yoga

Gede Sumerta Widiatmika

For those of you who may be reading our newsletter for the first time, the name of our organization, Yayasan Kemanusiaan Ibu Pertiwi (YKIP) translates from the Indonesian language to mean the Humanitarian Foundation for Mother Earth. It is a non-profit organization with the mission to "Break the cycle of poverty in Bali through education". YKIP was founded in response to the Bali Bomb blast of October 2002, and our efforts are intended to be a living tribute to the victims.

May we ask you to also forward this e-mail newsletter to your family members, friends and business associates who may be interested in supporting the work of Yayasan Kemanusiaan Ibu Pertiwi? Thank you for your continuing interest and support and please do not hesitate to contact us if you have queries or suggestions regarding the contents of this newsletter.

If you would prefer not to receive a copy of this newsletter in the future, please let us know at the e-mail address below. Until the next Newsletter in September 2019. Our kindest regards,

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