

# Mapping Needs Life Skills Education Region District of Tourism Karst Pracimantoro Wonogiri

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## ABSTRACT

This study aimed to describe: 1) the views of community in the tourist area of karst on the development of the tourist area of karst; 2) need for life skills education for community in the tourist area of karst in empowering communities; and 3) the obstacles encountered in the development of the tourist area of karst. This research is a case study with the unit of analysis is the tourist area of karst Pracimantoro Subdistrict, Wonogiri. The unit of analysis is determined based on the consideration that the region has gained international recognition as one of the best geopark and is being developed by the Government of Wonogiri. Data were collected by interview / FGD, documentation, and observation. The data analysis was performed using qualitative analysis techniques. As for the validity of the data obtained in this study triangulation, the discussion focused, and the extension of the observations will be used.

The results showed that people who were directly involved in the development of karst areas view that the region is very important to improve the quality of life. Society also considers that the tourist area of karst able to open up job opportunities eventhough not yet widely felt. The development of life skills education should be developed as far as possible in contact with the presence of karst areas in order to be able to optimize its function as a means of education and travel. The constraints that arise from the development of karst tourist areas are related to the technical management, human resources and the environment. There is no coordination among related agencies led to the development of these assets has not been going well. Public awareness has not been proactive in ensuring the success of tourism activity, the absence of external development has also become one of the weak management of karst. Last problems related to infrastructure are still limited.

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