



Sharia finance workshop for MSME in Bandar Lampung City

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Abstract.

Running a business in a halal and blessed way is a necessity for Muslim entrepreneurs. To realize a good business, of course, good Islamic financial education is needed. The Service Team from FEB Unila took the initiative to provide training for MSMEs in Bandar Lampung City in the form of introducing sharia financial literacy so businesses can continue and comply with sharia values. We package this workshop activity in the Focus Group Discussion and Lecture methods, it allows participants to actively participate in this activity. We hoped that after participating in this activity, participants will open their horizons in recognizing the concept of Islamic finance, Islamic banking products and open access to capital from Islamic financial institutions.

Keywords:

Islamic Financial Education, MSMEs, Islamic Banking, Focus Group Discussion

Introduction

The COVID-19 pandemic has had a major impact on the sustainability of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in Indonesia. The economic crisis experienced by MSMEs has also become a major threat to the national economy, considering that MSMEs are the driving force of the domestic economy and the largest absorber of labor in recent decades [1]. This is very horrid for national economy, because 99% business actors come from MSME workers. [2]. If this situation is does not handle properly, it will become deep economic crisis for country and will impact on many sectors.

MSMEs have a significant role in national economic by contributing in GDP, absorbing large number of workers and consuming largest credit from financial institution [3]. Financial literacy is very necessary for business actors, including MSMEs. So MSMEs are able to make choices and utilize financial services and products that appropriate to their needs, make better financial planning, and avoid wrong investment in shit instrument. Currently, Islamic finance is expected to be the best solution for financial practices that bring to usury, maysir, and gharar. But the fact is that up to now, Islamic finance still has a low market share in Indonesia, where the majority of the population is Muslim. [4]

Data showed that the development of Islamic banking assets (reflected by ROA) is very low, no more

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Received 27 September 2022; Received in revised form 19 Oktober 2022; Accepted 18 November 2022 Available online 18 November 2022 Lembaga Penelitian dan Pengabdian Kepada Masyarakat Universitas Lampung than 5% in Indonesia [5]. This phenomenon indicates that the potential for the Islamic financial institutions is still not optimal and requires great efforts in increasing its business scale. The results of the study show that this is due to the low level of Islamic financial literacy in the community. Many people do not know the difference between conventional and Islamic banking. The public also feels familiar with various terms in Islamic banking products [6].

On the simple way, financial literacy can be transletted as the ability to understand about financial concepts, manage and organize finances, then make financial decisions in certain situations [7]. Financial literacy also can be described as measuring how good person can learn from the information and use it to his decision in life [8].

The potential for developing Islamic finance in Bandar Lampung City has not been optimally empowered by the relevant stakeholders. So people find it difficult to develop products and business practices that are in comply with sharia principles. This is evidenced by the fact that very few people have Islamic bank deposits or products. In addition, people are not familiar with sharia pawnshops and sharia leasing.

Based on these problems, the service team from the Faculty of Economics and Business Universitas Lampung seeks to improve the community's sharia financial literacy, especially MSMEs in Bandar Lampung City through Sharia Financial Literacy training activities. It is hoped that after participating in this activity, participants will open their horizons in recognizing the concept of Islamic finance, Islamic banking products and open access to capital from Islamic financial institutions.

Method

This community service activity uses several methods to support its successful implementation, including:

- 1) Observing the condition of MSME knowledge about Islamic finance. The proposing team observed how the development of MSMEs was through literature studies and also interviews with MSME owners.
- 2) Coordination. At this stage, coordination with MSMEs and the local community will be carried out regarding the planned activities to be carried out.
- 3) Implementation of training by presenting material using the lecture method and Focus Group Discussion (FGD) on the basis of contracts and standardization of Islamic finance.
- 4) Evaluation of the activity is carried out by measuring the achievement of the training objectives by measuring the level of understanding of the participants towards the training being followed.

Result

This Community Service activity take place on April 14-15 2022 at the Novotel Hotel, Bandar Lampung City. This Community Service involves 25 MSME entrepreneurs from several sub-districts in Bandar Lampung City. There are entrepreneurs from different sector, which are food and beverage, travel, property, fashion and telecommunication service.



Figure 1. Workshop Implementation in Bandar Lampung City

We use the lecture method and FGD where participants can be more active in discussing the material. We divided the participants into 5 groups, where each group contained 5 participants. Each group will be asked to present one of the materials, after which it is followed by a discussion session (question and answer). Each group that does not present is required to ask questions at the session The following is a rundown of community service activities in the sharia finance workshop:

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1 st Day - (Thursday, April 14 th 2022)							
Time	Lesson	Session	Subject	Information			
	Hours						
08.00 - 08.30		•	Committee				
08.30 - 09.30		Welcome Spe	Committee				
09.30 - 10.00	1	1 st Session	Sharia Digital Entrepreneur	Lecture			
10.00 - 10.45	1	2 nd Session	Basic Contracts and Standardization of	Lecture			
			Islamic Finance				
10.45 - 11.00							
11.00 - 12.00	2	3 rd Session	Murabaha contract	FGD			
12.00 - 13.00							
13.00 - 14.40	2	4 th Session	Salam and Istishna Contracts	FGD			
14.40 – 15.00							
15.00 - 16.15	2	5 th Session	Lease Agreement (Ijarah Contract)	FGD			
16.15		•	Closing for first Day				
		2'	nd Day - (Friday, April 15 th 2022)				
08.30 - 09.00	Registration						
09.00 - 11.00	2	6 th Session	Profit sharing contract (Mudharabah contract)	FGD			

Table 1. Schedule of Activities

10.30 - 13.00 Break for Lunch and Pray					
13.00 - 14.15	2	7 th Sesion	Aspects of Financing using Financial	Lectures and	
			Applications	practice	
14.15 - 14.30			Coffee Break		
14.30 - 15.00		Administrati	ve honors for participants	Committee	
15.00-15.30			Closing		

The following are the expected outputs produced through this activity:

- 1. Provide knowledge about the basics of good Islamic finance as well as training to implement
- 2. Provide knowledge about Islamic financial products and Islamic institutions
- 3. Providing training on access to Islamic finance capital

Conclusion

The conclusion from our community service in the form of assistance is carried out thoroughly. This activity produces contributions to the community in the form of:

- 1. Increasing the understanding of MSME entrepreneurs regarding the types of contracts in Islamic financial transactions
- 2. The public can better understand the products of Islamic financial institutions
- 3. The public knows the mechanism for obtaining funding in accordance with sharia principles

Further community service activities can lead to increased Islamic financial literacy especially for student and housewife. In addition, the service team can also do service to develop the micro economy and creative tourism in Indonesia.



Figure 1. Implementation of Focus Group Discussion

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