



# Beni Harmoni discussion - Criminal Law Observer FH UPNVJ with the Jakarta Newspaper

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**HumasUPNVJ** - Cases of suspected corruption have become commonplace in Indonesia. Unmitigated, those who were dragged into corruption cases came from several groups, starting from the DPR/DPRD, regional heads, to ministerial-level officials.

The corruptors carry out their actions together with anyone who can benefit, such as relatives, family, and even their husbands/wives. With the arrest and determination of the suspects by the East Kutai Regent, Ismunandar (ISM) and his wife Encek Unguria (EU) as Chair of the East Kutai DPRD, on Friday (3/7), the number of alleged corruption by a husband and wife has increased.

It's not the first. Corruption involving a husband and wife has occurred more than five times. UPN Veteran Jakarta FH Criminal Law Observer, Beniharmoni Harefa said this phenomenon occurred, one of which was because of the ease of connecting or communicating in carrying out the prohibited act.

“The existence of a family relationship (husband and wife) makes it easier to communicate and help each other so that it makes it easier to do forbidden things such as corruption. Other factors strongly support this occurrence, namely greed, *lifestyle*, and perpetuating power. So many husband and wife end up being dragged into corruption,” Beni told *the Jakarta Newspaper*, Sunday (5/7).

#### **Remind each other**

Beni regrets that the corruption of husband and wife who are state officials is happening again. In fact, a husband and wife should communicate to remind and support each other in carrying out the tasks that have been entrusted for the benefit of the people. Husband and wife should no longer be involved in corruption.

"Husbands and wives should be role models and communicate well in order to create community welfare, not to commit corruption together," said Beni.

Deputy Chairman of the Corruption Eradication Commission (KPK), Nawawi Pomolango said that the corruption practices of husband and wife which were detected by the anti-corruption agency should be a lesson for the community. Nawawi completely surrendered to the public in seeing this phenomenon.

“We leave it to the community to evaluate and then take lessons from it because both the position of regent and the position of chairman of the DPRD is the result of the people's choice. So please people take lessons from this side,” said Nawawi.

Previously, *Koran Jakarta* interviewed Acting Head of the KPK Public Relations Bureau, Yuyuk Andriati Iskak. In the discussion with women who are active in I am a Woman Anti-Corruption (SPAK), Yuyuk stated that women have a choice to determine which direction they want to go in corruption, whether as teachers, victims or perpetrators of corruption.

Yuyuk said that women's lack of knowledge about criminal acts of corruption is the reason why they are often used as intermediaries for corrupt activities. Intermediaries or liaisons for receiving bribes and gratuities between perpetrators are sometimes not really realized by women. Moreover, between husband and wife. A wife of a state official who does not understand the mode of corruption.

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