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THE ROLE OF CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION IN BUILDING NATIONAL CHARACTER

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Abstract

As time progresses, the character of the Indonesian nation fades. This is due to external influences which have an adverse effect on every citizen of the country especially young generation. The fading of the national character that is commensurate with Pancasila and the 1945 Constitution is because today's young generation prefers foreign culture. For this reason, the importance of citizenship education as a bridge in building national character is in accordance with existing norms, ethics and moral values. Education is an effective way to instill good character in the younger generation. Character education helps expand potential, habits and actions, leadership qualities and awareness of responsibility and academic abilities and creating an educational environment. The aim of this research is to determine the role of citizenship education in building national character. Citizenship education can be obtained through any level of education, from informal to formal education. This is because citizenship learning is the peak of communicating Pancasila values. Citizenship education is a field of study that exists at every level of education, starting from elementary school education, secondary education and citizenship education which is also one of the mandatory subjects in universities. With this citizenship education, every child of the nation can form an appropriate character with Pancasila. Teacher hold role important in develop the character of each student. Through citizenship education, teachers can create national character based on norms, ethics and morals as well as better character values. Citizenship education can be implemented from an early age through parents as the first teachers for each child so that when they grow up they will have a national character that has been instilled since small will not fade.

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Introduction

Education is a way to maximize the potential of human resources to become individuals who have the qualities needed to live independently. One of the goals to be achieved is strengthening national identity and character through education. National education is useful for elaborating on carrying out and form character as well progress nation Which domiciled for make life nation which intellectual. National Education determined to develop potential learners to be human beings who believe in and are devoted to God Almighty, virtuous character who are good, healthy, intellectual, creative, free, become democratic and responsible citizens answer. In essence, citizenship education is a forum for educating the younger generation with the aim of forming the younger generation into national heroes shaped by the values of civic idealism and the values of Pancasila as the state ideology. The development of democratic and responsible education is an important component in life man which should not be ignored. Currently, the character of the Indonesian nation is increasingly deteriorating. Many young people do not demonstrate morals and ethics that are in accordance with Pancasila. The younger generation has lost their identity. This is shown by the presence of influence from outside which causes generations to easily emphasize themselves with foreign culture and put aside their own culture. The younger generation adopts every bad behavior from western culture, such as revealing clothing, lack of fear of god, apathy, fighting and bullying that are not in line with norms, ethics and moral values. Citizenship education is a system that teaches certain

values to students with the added components of knowledge, awareness, volition, and behavioral patterns to practice values the. Objective education citizenship according to (Widiastuti, et al, 2022) that is: (1) Thinking in a way critical, rational and creative (2) High quality, responsible and act wisely activities in the community, nationally and state (3) Develop in a way positive and democratic for build character nation (4) Use ICT For communicate direct or no direct with world. Citizenship education includes character education teaching moral values as part of education, can play a role in forming and developing the character of students so that they become citizens of a country that is different from other countries. Teachers can help shape and strengthen students' character so that they not only become intellectual citizens, but also polite citizens (Nurazizah, et al, 2021). For this reason, the importance of citizenship education today. Citizenship education will shape and build the appropriate character of each student with Indonesia's state guidelines are Pancasila. Citizenship education will make every nation a good citizen, loyal, loving domestic products, defending the country, preserving every existing culture, behaving politely, and embracing each other's differences. and accept justice regardless of social status.

Research Methodology

This research uses a literature study approach sourced from journals, books and other scientific works that are related to the role of citizenship education in building national character. Literature study is a writing method that is based on on opinions expert and results study previous (Nurjanah, et al, 2021).

Result & Discussion

Role Education Citizenship

Citizenship education is a field of study that focuses on individual development in relation to religion, socioculture, language, age and ethnicity to produce Indonesian citizens who are intellectual, qualified and have an Indonesian character based on Pancasila and the 1945 Constitution, to cultivate loyal, intelligent, qualified citizens who respect Indonesian nation and state. This is demonstrated through ways of thinking and behaving in accordance with the 1945 Constitution and Pancasila. By studying citizenship education, everyone will understand the rights and obligations they have had since birth. Citizenship education helps everyone to think critically, rationally, patriotic, agile and responsible in social activities, positive thinking and citizenship. They can participate actively and responsibly in social activities, develop positively and communicate with other nations or countries in the development of globalization without losing their country's identity. Students who study citizenship education are better prepared to become citizens responsible answer, informed, involved, and Ggood. education citizenship growing a generation where individuals are a system that upholds values special one in the community school. According to Bakry in (Widiatmaka, 2021) the success of a citizenship education can be seen from the intelligent mentality, full sense of responsibility of the students, these attitudes are accompanied by with the belief of being devoted to God Almighty, having good behavior and having an attitude of nationalism, professionalism and agility in utilizing technology. According to Zamroni in (Izma & Kesuma, 2019) Citizenship education is democratic education with the aim of designing citizens so that Act critical and democratic. Citizenship education aims to help students become politically aware citizens and actively participate in the development of democratic politics, as well as involved in system development political which democratic. One of the educational concepts that aims to prepare the younger generation to become good citizens through citizenship education. Character and personality development related closely with education citizenship. The connection relationship between citizenship education and character development is something that cannot be separated from aspects norm, ethics and mark moral.

Build Character Nation

Character education is a way to instill values consisting of characters from the aspects of knowledge, awareness and action to implement these values, both towards god Almighty, oneself, the environment and nationality (Nursobah, et al, 2023). Individual character development can help shape national character. Personal character development for a person can only occur in particular society and culture. According to Ki Hajar Dewantara in (Sofha, et al, 2023) character is a constant balance between his inner life and all his actions. Character can also be described as a disposition. It is the pinnacle of all the characteristics that define a person and differentiate him from others. Character or character formation is the result of fundamental development influenced by education. This is why there are those call it as character development. The character of a nation is determined by its mentality and behavior and serves as a guide for society to follow the culture and values that have been created by society. With the culture or values represented by the community itself. The character of the nation must be in line with the Pancasila ideology, which emerges from culture and the environment public develop into

lifestyle. According to the Master Design for National Character Development in (Dewi & Ulfiah, 2021) it has values character as following:

- 1. Exercise heart, confidence, honesty, trustworthy, fair, orderly, follow the rules, responsibility, empathy, dare to take risks, independent, not easily shaken, optimistis
- 2. Exercise thought, intelligent, think critical, creative, innovative, flavor want to know And productiv
- 3. Sports are clean, healthy, sporty, fair, reliable, friendly, cooperative, cheerful and persisten
- 4. Cultivating feelings and character, having a humanitarian attitude, mutual cooperation, togetherness, mutual respect, tolerance, national spirit, caring, prioritizing the public interest, love homeland.

According to (Nurhafsah & Dewi, 2021) characters that are appropriate to be taught and implemented, that is:

- 1. Religious, attitude which in accordance with trust every inhabitant country which have been taught by their religio
- 2. Honest, always behave which can trusted good in form oral as well as action
- 3. Not quite enough answer, no run and dodge from all decision and able to face all the problems faced
- 4. Tolerance, attitude each other honor in every difference without exists rebuke each other and dropped
- 5. Discipline, attitude which always obey regulation which has applies
- 6. Work hard, attitude which no easy give up and keep going try in a way independent, optimistic, and firm
- 7. Ketaif, that is attitude which think creative and critical
- 8. Democratic, attitude which always act, think which evaluate between right and obligations
- 9. Spirit nationality and love land water, proud attitude with language alone and always use local product
- 10. Care environmental and social that is attitude which own flavor care to environment and public which create personal loved and disegenani others .

National character has special personality traits, a distinctive lifestyle, thought patterns, attitudes and behavior that are in accordance with Indonesian national culture and a spirit that is in accordance with the values of Pancasila. Character education does not only come from educational institutions such as schools or universities, but is the responsibility of all parties involved, including parents, family members and the community, to develop character, including the surrounding environment. Therefore, collaboration is needed between educational institutions and society. Character is values that are very necessary in the form of morals, personality, DNA character emerging from results transformation process various believed policies and used as a guide for acting, thinking, speaking and behaving in everyday life. A person with character is defined as a person who has personality, behavior, integrity and character. In this definition, character can be defined as moral or subjective.

Conclusion

Along with the development of the times and the increasing influence of globalization which brings changes to everyone, it should be filtered so that it doesn't completely affected. There is a negative influence that continues to pervade generation easy making teak self child a nation that is faded and does not reflect the five principles and Pancasila and the 1945 Constitution that have come into force. For this reason, the importance of citizenship education for citizens, because citizenship education is not something that can be considered trivial. Citizenship education is a field of study that exists in every educational unit, starting from elementary school education, secondary education and education citizenship is also one of the compulsory subjects in College. With citizenship education, every child of the nation can shape the character in accordance with Pancasila. Create build character nation which in accordance with norm, ethics, and moral education citizenship can be implemented from an early age through parents as the first teachers for each child so that when they grow up national character that has been planted since childhood will not fade.

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