

## Abstract

Military force is one of the efforts of the state defending its sovereignty. With the power of the military, a country is said to be strong or weak as this can be seen if one day the readiness of a country can be tested with the arrival of the threats of both the threat from abroad and within the country. Following globalization, Indonesia replied challenge its military strength to face the threats in this era of globalization but on the other hand meet the needs of defense equipment was a challenge for Indonesia, especially in the limited technological capabilities. Therefore Indonesia through Ministry of Defense, the military and more specifically Cavalry Unit of the Army tried to implement the cooperation between Indonesia and Germany in the procurement Tank Leopard 2A4 and Leopard Tank Ri is also expected to provide progress for the domestic defense industry which here PT. PINDAD role as the domestic defense industry that is a major, but such cooperation would enhance the strength of the country's defense alutsista Indonesia and provide progress on the quality of the domestic defense industry PT. Pindad?

The purpose of the study is to examine, explore and explain how Indonesia's cooperation with Rheinmetall Germany in the procurement of Leopard 2A4 tanks and Ri are in an effort to increase the strength of the Indonesian military defense equipment and how it affects the progress of the domestic defense industry, PT. Pindad.

The method used in this research is descriptive method, which draws the Indonesian Defence Cooperation with Germany that have an impact on the Advancement of Defense Industry of the Interior.

Results from this study is the increase of defense equipment and SDM latest with the presence of MBT (Main Battle Tank) Tank Leopard 2A4 and Leopard Ri along with technologies that accompany the previously Indonesia has never had tanks heavyweights like Tank Leopard and influence the perceived PT , PINDAD itself with the presence of Leopard Tank is that some progress such as advances in technology and human resources for the PT. Pindada itself.

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