ABSTRACT

Underage marriage is enough to attract the attention of various circles, it happens a lot in Indonesian society. Underage marriage has indirectly deprived children of their rights, because of the poor parenting role in understanding and responding to the Marriage Law. For example the marriage done by Sheikh Puji with Lutfiana Ulfah a 12 year old girl, then the marriage of Alvin son of Ustd. 17year-old Arifin with 20-year-old Larisa Choi at the time of marriage.

This research tries to reveal how the role of parents in responding to Law number 1 year 1974 about marriage to underage marriage, any factors that influence the happening of underage marriage, and how effort made by public figure in minimizing the happening of underage marriage.

This research uses qualitative approach with case study method and data collection is done through observation, interview and documentation study. This study aims as follows, 1) to know the role of parents in responsible tehadap children who married under age. 2) to know the factors that influence the occurrence of underage marriage. 3) Efforts that have been made by community leaders in minimizing the occurrence of underage marriage.

This research yields some findings, namely that the people of Karangwangi Village still do not know and understand the content and purpose of Law no. 1 Year 1974 on Marriage so that the role of parents in dealing with the Act is still lacking. This is due to the lack of effective socialization of community leaders about the impact of underage marriage. Factors that affect the occurrence of underage marriage in the village of Karangwangi is the factor of education, economic factors and habits, as well as social and environmental factors.

Efforts to minimize the occurrence of underage marriages in the village of Karangwangi continue to be done by community leaders, village officials and local government as an intermediary community to build an understanding of the importance of careful preparation in implementing marriage in order to realize a happy family life by tightening minimum age requirements of marriage. The existence of civic education at the level of schooling and in the community has not run in accordance with the role and function to change the paradigm of public thinking about marriage under age. Through civic education is expected to form a society that thinks critically and rationally.

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