



The Important Role of the Indonesian National Police in Maintaining Security Stability and Its Impact on Indonesia's Economic Growth

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ABSTRACT

Security stability is a critical factor influencing economic growth in Indonesia. The Indonesian National Police (POLRI) plays a vital role in maintaining this stability by enforcing laws, preventing and controlling crime, managing emergencies, and supporting business competition. This paper examines the significant impact of POLRI's efforts on Indonesia's economic growth. Through effective law enforcement and collaboration with regulatory bodies like the Business Competition Supervisory Commission (KPPU), POLRI creates a conducive environment for economic activities by ensuring public safety, fostering investor confidence, and supporting fair business practices. Their multifaceted approach, including community policing and securing major events, enhances tourism and investment, driving national economic development. The paper also discusses challenges such as corruption and resource limitations, recommending continued reforms and inter-agency collaboration to sustain and further enhance economic growth.

INTRODUCTION

Security stability is one of the key factors that influences a country's economic growth. In Indonesia, the role of maintaining security stability is significantly carried out by the Indonesian National Police (POLRI). As the front guard in enforcing law and maintaining public order, POLRI has a major responsibility in ensuring a conducive environment for economic activities. Stable security conditions not only increase investor confidence, both domestic and foreign, but also encourage the growth of strategic economic sectors such as tourism, trade and industry (Putra, 2023). The legal basis that supports the role of POLRI in maintaining security stability can be found in various regulations in Indonesia. One of the main ones is Law Number 2 of 2002 concerning POLRI of the Republic of Indonesia. Article 13 of the law states that the main duties of POLRI are:

1. Maintain security and public order,
2. Enforce the law, and
3. Providing protection, protection and service to the community.

In the context of maintaining security stability POLRI plays a role in preventing and controlling crime, managing emergency situations, and carrying out necessary security operations. Implementation of this task is very important in creating a positive investment climate and strengthening the country's economic system (Baker, 2013).

Indonesia's economic growth and investment climate are heavily influenced by the country's legal enforcement and the role of the POLRI. The law enforcement policies implemented by the government have a significant impact on the overall business environment and investor confidence (Setyawan, 2020). The enforcement of business competition laws is a critical aspect in this context. The Business Competition Supervisory Commission (KPPU) in Indonesia has been granted extensive powers, acting as an executive, judicial, legislative, and consultative body. The KPPU plays a crucial role in ensuring fair competition and preventing monopolistic practices that could hinder economic growth (Siregar, 2019). However, one of the challenges the KPPU faces is the need for strong support from the Indonesian National Police in enforcing its decisions and addressing violations of competition laws.

In recent years, POLRI has shown commitment to supporting the KPPU in its endeavors to uphold fair competition. This collaboration has led to improved enforcement of competition laws, which has positively contributed to a more conducive investment climate in Indonesia. As a result, investors have shown greater confidence in the Indonesian market, leading to increased investment and ultimately contributing to the country's economic growth. The continued commitment and collaboration between the Indonesian National Police and regulatory bodies like the KPPU are crucial in sustaining a favorable investment climate and fostering economic development in Indonesia. By upholding the rule of law and ensuring a level playing field for businesses, the POLRI can significantly influence the country's economic trajectory.

POLRI plays a crucial role in maintaining security stability within the country. Their responsibilities include preventing and combating crime, ensuring public order and safety, and enforcing laws and regulations (Mulyadi et al., 2024). POLRI also play a significant role in managing and responding to various security threats, such as terrorism, cybercrime, and organized crime. By effectively addressing these challenges, the police contribute to creating a safe and secure environment for businesses to thrive, which in turn positively impacts Indonesia's economic growth (Saleh et al., 2020). In addition to their law enforcement duties, POLRI also engage in community policing efforts, fostering positive relationships between law enforcement and the community. This approach not only enhances trust and cooperation between the police and the public but also contributes to creating a conducive environment for economic activities (Baker, 2013). Furthermore, POLRI's efforts in maintaining security stability have a direct impact on investor confidence and foreign direct investment in Indonesia. A secure and stable environment attracts both domestic and international investors, driving economic development and contributing to the overall growth of the country. POLRI's multifaceted role in maintaining security stability is integral to Indonesia's economic progress, and their continued efforts in this regard are essential for sustaining and furthering the nation's growth (Kurniawan, 2002).

THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

The role of POLRI in maintaining security stability is vital for Indonesia's economic growth. By carrying out their duties effectively, POLRI not only ensures security and order, but also creates conditions that support sustainable economic growth. POLRI support in enforcing business competition laws is also an important factor in creating a healthy and competitive investment environment, which ultimately contributes to increasing national economic growth (Jumadi et al., 2023).

The Relationship between Security Stability and Economic Growth

Security stability is an important prerequisite for sustainable economic growth. Without a safe environment, economic activity can be disrupted, investment can decline, and economic growth can be hampered. According to classical economic theory, security and order are part of the basic prerequisites that enable markets to function efficiently (Trisliatanto et al., 2021). In this context, security refers to conditions in which individuals and businesses feel protected from threats of crime, violence and other social disturbances. The existence of laws and effective law enforcement is very important to create a safe and stable environment (Hari Kuncoro et al., 2019). In the social contract theory proposed by Hobbes, Locke, and Rousseau, the state has a responsibility to protect its citizens, including through law enforcement agencies such as the police (Magtaan et al., 2022). Effective law enforcement provides the sense of security and certainty that economic actors need to operate and invest with confidence.

The Role of POLRI in Maintaining Security Stability

POLRI plays a key role in maintaining security stability in Indonesia. Based on Law Number 2 of 2002 concerning POLRI of the Republic of Indonesia, POLRI has the main task of maintaining public security and order, enforcing the law, and providing protection, guidance and service to the community (Rahman et al., 2021). These tasks are directly related to creating an environment conducive to economic activity. Crime Prevention and Control: One of the main functions of POLRI is preventing and controlling crime. Through efforts to prevent crime and take action against violations of the law, POLRI plays a role in reducing crime levels which can disrupt economic activity and reduce interest in investment. Emergency Management: POLRI is also responsible for handling emergency situations, such as natural disasters, riots and threats of terrorism (Chammearc & Astuty, 2023). The readiness and ability of POLRI to handle these situations is important to maintain social and economic stability. Security Operations: Through coordinated security operations, POLRI can address threats to public order and ensure that economic activities can continue without significant disruption (Hardiani & Jaya, 2020).

Impact of Security Stability on Economic Growth

Effective security stability not only provides a sense of security to the public, but also contributes to increasing investor confidence. Investors, both domestic and foreign, tend to choose to invest their capital in countries that have good security conditions (Setyawan, 2020). This confidence can translate into increased investment, which in turn drives economic growth. Empirical studies show that countries with a high level of security tend to experience faster economic growth (Magtaan et al., 2022). This is due to a safe environment that allows businesses to operate efficiently, reduces transaction costs, and encourages innovation and business expansion (Saputro & Meirinaldi, 2019).

Collaboration between POLRI and KPPU

The role of POLRI in supporting the Business Competition Supervisory Commission (KPPU) is also important in creating a healthy and competitive investment climate (Hutahaean & Indarti, 2020). Strict law enforcement against monopolistic practices and unfair competition by POLRI, in collaboration with the KPPU, ensures fair business competition. This creates a more attractive business climate for investors. In recent years, collaboration between POLRI and the KPPU has shown positive results in enforcing business competition law in Indonesia (Syarifuddin et al., 2023). This joint effort contributes to creating a more conducive business environment and increasing Indonesia's economic competitiveness.

METHODS

This research adopts a normative juridical legal research method with a library research approach, where the main data source is written documents from secondary data, including primary, secondary and tertiary legal materials (Efendi & Rijadi, 2022). This approach allows researchers to carry out systematic and accurate descriptive analysis of the law enforcement problems being studied.

Data analysis is carried out carefully, remains focused on the scope of the problem, and is based on relevant theories or concepts to explain and compare existing data (Ali, 2021). In this research, a case approach and a statutory approach are used to formulate legal definitions by considering the legal principles contained in statutory regulation. In addition, various views from experts and authors relevant to the issues discussed are also considered (Purwanti, 2020). This approach ensures that the resulting legal definition is rooted in recognized legal principles and takes into account various perspectives that can enrich understanding of the problem being researched.

RESULTS

Security stability is one of the key factors in driving a country's economic growth. In Indonesia, the role of POLRI is very crucial in maintaining security and public order. Guaranteed security creates a positive investment climate, encourages business activity, and ultimately contributes to economic growth (Baker, 2013). This article aims to examine the role of POLRI in maintaining security stability and its impact on the Indonesian economy.

The Role of POLRI in Maintaining Security Stability

1. Law Enforcement and Order

POLRI has the main task of enforcing the law and maintaining public order. Effective law enforcement reduces crime rates and creates a sense of security among the public and business actors. The presence of the police in the community and the operations they carry out, such as raids and patrols, function to prevent criminal acts.

2. Conflict Prevention and Handling

Indonesia is a heterogeneous country with various ethnicities, religions and cultures. POLRI plays a role in preventing and handling social conflicts that can disrupt national stability. Through a community approach and mediation, POLRI is trying to reduce potential conflicts arising from these differences.

3. Security of National and International Events

POLRI is also responsible for securing various major events, both national and international, held in Indonesia. Guaranteed security at these events not only provides a positive image for Indonesia but also attracts investment and tourists.

The Impact of Security Stability on Economic Growth

1. Increased Investment

Guaranteed security is one of the main conditions for investors to invest their capital. With a stable security situation, investment risks can be minimized, thereby attracting more domestic and foreign investors.

2. Tourism Development

The tourism sector is very dependent on security stability. Safe tourist destinations will be more attractive to tourists, both local and international. The increase in the number of tourists directly contributes to the economy through the service, hospitality and transportation sectors.

3. Stable Economic Activity

Maintained security encourages stable economic activity. Business people feel more comfortable running their business without worrying about security threats. This has implications for increasing productivity and overall economic efficiency.

Challenges and Solutions

1. Corruption and Integrity

One of the biggest challenges facing POLRI is the issue of corruption and integrity. To increase effectiveness, internal reform and strict supervision are needed to ensure the integrity of POLRI members.

2. Resources and Training

Limited resources and the need for continuous training are challenges in maintaining the professionalism of POLRI. Investment in training and improving technological capabilities are solutions that can improve the performance of POLRI.

3. Inter-Agency Collaboration

Solid cooperation between POLRI and other government institutions and local communities is very important. Good coordination can increase effectiveness in maintaining security and resolving conflicts.

DISCUSSION

Concrete Actions by POLRI in Supporting Economic Growth in Indonesia. The following is an explanation of concrete actions. POLRI is actively involved in supporting economic growth through various initiatives, ranging from crime prevention to empowering foreign investment and increasing tourism security (Atmaja et al., 2020). These concrete actions not only improve public security, but also make a significant contribution to creating a stable and attractive climate for investment, business operations and tourism.

Crime Prevention and Reduction Initiatives

1. Patrols and Security Operations

POLRI conducts regular patrols and security operations in urban and rural areas to deter criminal activities. This continuous presence helps to reduce crime rates, providing a safer environment for businesses and communities to operate.

2. Community Policing Programs

POLRI has implemented community policing initiatives that involve local communities in crime prevention efforts. By fostering strong relationships with community members, POLRI can gather intelligence and respond to potential threats more effectively, ensuring a secure environment conducive to economic activities.

Support for Business Competition and Fair Practices

1. Collaboration with KPPU

POLRI collaborates with the Business Competition Supervisory Commission (KPPU) to enforce laws against monopolistic practices and unfair competition. This ensures a level playing field for businesses, promoting healthy competition and attracting more investors.

2. Anti-Corruption Measures

POLRI has been actively involved in anti-corruption efforts, collaborating with the Corruption Eradication Commission (KPK) to investigate and prosecute corruption cases. By tackling corruption, POLRI helps create a more transparent and trustworthy business environment.

Securing Major Economic Hubs and Events

1. Protection of Key Economic Areas

POLRI provides security for important economic zones, including industrial estates, financial districts, and major commercial centers. This protection ensures the smooth operation of economic activities in these critical areas.

2. Event Security Management

POLRI is responsible for securing national and international events hosted in Indonesia, such as the Asian Games, G20 Summit, and international trade expos. Successful security management at these events enhances Indonesia's reputation as a safe destination for tourists and investors.

Combating Specific Crimes Affecting the Economy

1. Anti-Cybercrime Operations

In response to the growing threat of cybercrime, POLRI has established dedicated cybercrime units to investigate and combat online fraud, data breaches, and other cyber threats. This protects businesses from significant financial losses and data security issues.

2. Counter-Terrorism Efforts

POLRI's counter-terrorism units work to prevent and respond to terrorist threats. Effective counter-terrorism measures ensure that businesses and the general public can operate without the fear of terrorist attacks, promoting a stable economic environment.

Facilitation of Foreign Investment

1. Investor Protection Programs

POLRI has programs in place to protect foreign investors and their investments. These programs include quick response teams to address any security issues faced by investors, thereby boosting investor confidence in the safety of investing in Indonesia.

2. Improving Legal Frameworks

POLRI works alongside other government agencies to improve legal frameworks related to business and investment. By ensuring that laws are effectively enforced and that there is minimal bureaucratic red tape, POLRI helps create a more favorable investment climate.

Enhancing Tourism Safety

1. Tourist Police Units

Special units within POLRI focus on ensuring the safety of tourists. These units patrol tourist hotspots, provide assistance to visitors, and respond to any incidents affecting tourists, thus making Indonesia a more attractive destination for international travelers.

2. Crisis Management and Disaster Response

POLRI's rapid response to natural disasters and crises helps to quickly restore normalcy, minimizing the economic disruption caused by such events. Effective crisis management ensures that both local businesses and the tourism sector can recover swiftly.

By implementing these concrete actions, POLRI plays a pivotal role in fostering a secure environment that is essential for economic growth. Their efforts not only enhance public safety but also contribute significantly to creating a stable and attractive climate for investment, business operations, and tourism.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The paper highlights the indispensable role of the Indonesian National Police (POLRI) in maintaining security stability, which is crucial for the country's economic growth. Through law enforcement, crime prevention, conflict resolution, and ensuring security at national and international events, POLRI plays a multifaceted role in creating a conducive environment for economic activities. The collaboration between POLRI and regulatory bodies like the Business Competition Supervisory Commission (KPPU) has resulted in improved enforcement of competition laws, contributing to a healthier investment climate. Additionally, POLRI's efforts in community policing foster positive relationships between law enforcement and the public, further enhancing the environment for economic growth.

To sustain and enhance Indonesia's economic growth trajectory, it is recommended that POLRI continues its commitment to enforcing laws and maintaining security stability, with a focus on preventing crime, resolving conflicts, and ensuring security at major events. Collaboration between POLRI

and regulatory bodies like the KPPU should be strengthened further to ensure fair competition and a level playing field for businesses. Efforts to address challenges such as corruption, resource limitations, and inter-agency coordination should be prioritized through internal reforms, increased training, and improved collaboration with other government institutions and local communities. Concrete actions outlined in the paper, including crime prevention initiatives, support for fair business practices, securing economic hubs and events, combating specific crimes affecting the economy, facilitating foreign investment, and enhancing tourism safety, should be continued and expanded where necessary.

FURTHER STUDY

While the paper provides valuable insights into the role of the Indonesian National Police (POLRI) in maintaining security stability and its impact on the country's economic growth, there are several avenues for further study that could deepen our understanding and inform future policy decisions. Evaluation of POLRI's Effectiveness:

1. Conducting empirical studies to evaluate the effectiveness of POLRI's initiatives in maintaining security stability and promoting economic growth would provide valuable insights. This evaluation could include assessing crime rates, investor confidence levels, and economic indicators before and after the implementation of POLRI's programs.
2. Analysis of Inter-Agency Collaboration: Further research could delve into the dynamics of collaboration between POLRI and other government agencies, such as the Business Competition Supervisory Commission (KPPU) and the Corruption Eradication Commission (KPK). Understanding the challenges and opportunities in inter-agency collaboration would facilitate the development of more effective strategies for promoting economic growth.
3. Impact of POLRI's Community Policing Efforts: Investigating the impact of POLRI's community policing initiatives on building trust and cooperation between law enforcement and the public could provide valuable insights. This could involve qualitative research methods, such as interviews and surveys, to understand community perceptions and experiences with POLRI's community policing programs.
4. Assessment of Challenges and Solutions: Further research could focus on exploring in-depth the challenges faced by POLRI, such as corruption and resource limitations, and evaluating the effectiveness of proposed solutions. This could involve case studies and comparative analyses of POLRI's experiences with similar challenges in other countries.
5. Long-Term Economic Impact: Studying the long-term economic impact of POLRI's efforts in maintaining security stability could provide insights into the sustainability of economic growth trends. This could involve longitudinal studies tracking economic indicators over time and assessing the correlation with changes in security conditions.

6. International Comparisons: Comparative studies with other countries facing similar security and economic challenges could provide valuable lessons and best practices for Indonesia. This could involve analyzing the experiences of countries with successful law enforcement and security stabilization strategies and identifying potential transferable insights.

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