The Implementation of Islamic Value Absorption in Regional Regulations on Districts at Madura

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Abstract:
In Madurese society, the existing sharia and/or sharia nuanced Regional Regulations is believed to cause a lot of conflict. This is particularly because Indonesia itself is not a religious state in a formal way. Therefore, it is necessary to know how the legal politics on values absorption or Sharia legal provisions in Madura Regional Regulations is. This study is a normative legal research. It includes a conceptual, statutory, and case approach. The finding shows that the application and/or absorption of Sharia in Madura are due to attached religious values in societies’ daily life. The research found that the application and/or absorption of the Islamic values in Madura regional legal products have two types. First is direct absorption and/or application of regional legal products in the form of Perda or Perbup. Second is indirect yet substantial absorption and/or application of Islamic legal values to regional legal products.
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Introduction
The establishment and implementation of sharia law in Madura are mainly because Madurese people have long been upholding Islamic values in their daily life in addition to their strong social
relationship. This is also supported by the spirit to establish Madura Province which also grows from strong religious awareness of Madurese people in all levels. For instance, in last 2011, around 1,032 mosques and 5,187 musholla (prayer room) in Pamekasan were built on waqf land from people. They become not only places to worship God, but also for educational and economic activities as well. This reality shows that Madurese have the strong religiousity.

Nowadays, the development of Islamic law absorption in districts of Madura is clear, among others, from the following facts; First, in Pamekasan district, a No. of Islamic nuance Regional Regulations (Perda) have been applied. Those regulations include the Regulations on the Islamic Community Development Movement (Gerbang Salam), the Prohibition of alcohols as well as prostitution, regulation to cover up ‘aurat in formal schools and obligation for students to have ability in reading the Quran. According to the old Regent, Syafi’i, these local regulations are Pamekasan people’s aspirations in which the central government officially approved afterward. They aim at developing mental and moral of Pamekasan’s people without any discrimination.

Second, in Bangkalan district, since November 2018, the regional government has been drafting Regional Regulations to establish Bangkalan as a city of Dzikir and Sholawat. This is a concrete step

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1 Yanwar Pribadi, “Religious Networks in Madura (Pesantren, Nahdatul Ulama and Kiai as the Core of Santri Culture)”, Al-Jami’ah, Volume. 51, No. 1, (2013 M/1434 H), 2.
starting from an idea to maintain religious thoughts in Bangkalan City in order to make it integrated in daily life of their people. This cannot be separated from pesantren culture such as _sarong_ and _kopyah_, Qur’an recitation in _mushalla_, etc. Before, through Bangkalan Regent Decree No. 188.45 / 148 / 433.013 / 2015 on August 28, 2015 which was issued in an event attended by government and Islamic scholars, Bangkalan officially declared itself as a city of _dzikir_ and _shalawat_. This certainly strengthened the impression of religious community in the city.

Third, in 2018, the Faculty of Islamic sciences at the University of Trunojoyo Madura along with the Suramadu Regional Management Board, compiled and recommended the design of the development of Madura Islamic tourism. It recommended the government to draft an Islamic Tourism Regulation.

Another example to illustrate religiosity of Madurese people is one of factors beyond the failure of the Suramadu Bridge Development Management Board (BPWS) program on Madura’s industrialization. It was believed that the different perceptions about the meaning and scope of this program really mattered. The jargon of industrialization was generally rejected because the Islamic scholars worried that its negative consequences would cause moral deterioration, the growth of prostitution, gambling and other disobedience which potentially damage Madurese’s religiosity. However, this challenge is increasingly severe considering that since Suramadu was made free on October 27, 2018, it has been opening up

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extraordinary economic growth opportunities for Madurese people or vice-versa.\textsuperscript{8}

The mentioned dynamics of legal formation seem to be in line with the development of regional autonomy which enables local governments to regulate all local matters into Regional Regulations (\textit{Perda}). This especially applies on regional regulations regarding regional taxes and retribution. On the other hand, some local people want to implement sharia-based laws in their regions and this inevitably leads to a controversy.\textsuperscript{9} Those who agree with this opinion think that the Sharia Regional Regulation is expected to be a solution for accelerating regional development without losing the local identity and religiosity. Meanwhile, those who disagree think that it will only trigger national disunity due to discrimination to the minorities.

The implementation of various provisions and absorption on Islamic law values in governmental sector is an indicator on religious right in Indonesia. It assures individual’s rights to determine, believe, and practice religion as a core part of human rights that nothing or no one can reduce it for any reason. Therefore, the existence of this right obliges government to respect, protect, and fulfill citizens’ right as a manifestation of state’s recognition on the human rights principles and values as also ratified in international agreements.\textsuperscript{10} However, it still becomes important on how a statutory regulation should not create discrimination and anxiety of minority groups.\textsuperscript{11} This is mainly because the essential purpose of sharia implementation is to maintain


\textsuperscript{9} Mohammad Alim, “Perda Bernuansa Syariah dan Hubungannya dengan Konstitusi”, \textit{JURNAL HUKUM}, VOL. 17, NO. 1 (Januari, 2010), 120


and protect the dignity of humanity which is oftenly referred as *maqāshid al-syari‘ah* in Islamic studies.\(^{12}\)

Therefore, the religious freedom in Indonesia is so important that it needs to ensure that everyone can carry out religious services and values without having to establish any Islamic or theocratic state.\(^{13}\) Moreover, this guarantee is affirmed in the 1945 Constitution, Article 28 E (1); Article 28 I (1); Article 29 (2); and Article 31 (5). It also got along in Article 18 of Law No. 12 of 2005 concerning the Ratification of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights).\(^{14}\) In addition to it, regional enthusiasm for developing its areas based on local potential, including people values, was perfectly facilitated by Law No. 23 of 2014 concerning Regional Government.\(^{15}\)

Furthermore, religious freedom was not mainly born from universal human rights concept. It is mainly on Indonesian cultural traditions namely a spirit of harmony, peace and respect for differences. This is clear from the fact that in the ancient times, there found no conflict among religions in the entire archipelago. History even records that in the golden age of Majapahit, the government gave freedom to its citizens to believe in any religion and carry out religious activities without pressure from anyone.\(^{16}\) As a consequence, both absorption and implementation on Islamic law values need to always in line with Pancasila, the 1945 Constitution, and NKRI (Unitary State of the Republic of Indonesia) values.

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\(^{15}\) Undang-Undang Nomor 23 Tahun 2014 tentang Pemerintah Daerah. Lembaran Negara Republik Indonesia Tahun 2014 Nomor 244.

This research then becomes important due to its novelty as it is still rare to find researches in analyzing the absorption of Islamic value and implementation of *sharia* regulation in Madura. Moreover, this research focuses on the politic of law beyond the regulation. As mentioned by Padmo Wahyono, politic of law is the basic law policy of government which have been and are still valid extracted from living values in society and aiming to achieve visions of a state.¹⁷

**Research Method**

This study used a normative legal research method with conceptual, statutory and case approaches. The main legal materials were the 1945 Constitution of the Republic of Indonesia; UU No. 12 of 2011 concerning Formation of Regulations and Rules; UU No. 39 of 1999 concerning Human Rights; UU No. 12 of 2005 concerning Ratification of the ICCPR; and the PNPS Act of 1965.

In addition to those, secondary and tertiary legal materials consisted of analytical materials such as scientific books, journal articles, proceedings, website contents, and legal dictionaries. All those sources of law were then analyzed using prescriptive-analytic analysis techniques to find answers related to the development of the implementation and/or absorption of Islamic legal values to regional legal products in Madura.

**Legal Politics of Islamic Law Absorption in Madura Legal Products**

Discussion on the implementation Islamic law (*sharia*) to legal products at both national and regional legal products continues to be an interesting theme for debate. Until now, this theme remains to emerge in the midst of incessant issues related to formalization of values and/or the content of Islamic law in national positive law.¹⁸ In fact, the spreading issues are no longer at the level of legislation but have been regarded to the state form such as the issue of Islamic State of Indonesia (NII) and *khilafah* concept by Hizbut-Tahrir.

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Madura is an island whose population is predominantly Moslem. It becomes academically interesting, therefore, to analyze the form of Madura local legal products regarding to the implementation and/or absorption of Islamic values as well as legal values. The study limits its scope to identify the clustering on those syar‘i legal products on whether they only cover materials on 'ubûdiyyah and social community or also on mu‘âmalah in the context of the Indonesian law.

According to the law political perspective, the regulation that the authority had ratified must be based on local people’s values. Maduresse people, in this context, have strong social-religious background in implementing Islam. Therefore, implementation of Islamic values based doctrine becomes inevitable to ensure its enactment among local people after the issuance of any law legality.

**Sharia-Nuanced Regional Legal Products in Pamekasan**

This district has long time applied some regional legal products reflecting Islamic beliefs as well as Islamic law values. In the past few years, this area had even affirmed its identity as an area of "Gerbang Salam" that seeks to mobilize and build Islamic nuances in society both within the scope of government and in terms of society interaction. Among others, those legal products are; Regional Regulation No. 18 of 2001 concerning Prohibition of Alcoholic Beverages. This Perda is a follow-up action after the establishment of the Institute of Islamic Sharia Study and Application (LP2SI) as an effort to implement the Islamic sharia in Pamekasan. LP2SI itself was established by local government while its member consisted of a No. of ‘ulama, leaders of Pamekasan Islamic boarding schools (pesantren) as well as religious figures affiliated to several Islamic organizations such as NU, Muhammadiyah, Al-Irsyad, Persatuan Islam (Persis) and Sarekat Islam (SI).

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20 Ibid., 148.
Regional Regulation No. 18 of 2004 concerning the Prohibition on Prostitution. This Regional Regulation aims to strengthen the commitment to define Pamekasan as a Gerbang Salam city. Furthermore, it is also an official attitude of regional government in eradicating all practices of prostitution. The idea of this Perda came from consideration to convince people on very big disadvantages of prostitution that will impact on the quality of people's lives. Article 5 (2) on violations of this Perda even threatens the subject with imprisonment for a maximum of 6 (six) months.

Regional Regulation No. 7 of 2008 concerning Management of zakat, Infaq and shadaqah. This regulation aims to provide facilities for local people in fulfilling their religious obligations in terms of zakat, infaq and shadaqah. In the other words, the this rule was intended to increase obligation fulfillment on zakat, infaq, and shadaqah in Pamekasan. It also focuses on the management of sustainable zakat funds by turning it into capital as an effort to create a prosperous society.

Regional Regulation No. 5 of 2010 concerning Grants for Hajj Operational Costs. This aims to provide legal legitimacy to manage pilgrimage funds for outstanding employees and community leaders who are proven to have made many contributions to Moslem community development as the Gerbang Salam mission. Regional Regulation No. 4 of 2014 concerning Al-Qur'an Reading Skills for Muslim Students. This regulation was issued to motivate children at their early ages to read the Qur'an properly and correctly. It then requires each level of educational institutions to provide an extracurricular program to train their students for good and correct Qur'anic recitation while setting the long term goal to create knowledgeable learners who devote to God Almighty.

Regional Regulation No. 5 of 2014 concerning Control on Activities during Ramadhan Month. The existence of this regulation aims to glorify the greatness of Ramadhan as the most precious month for Moslems. This controlling step also heads for creating peaceful and comfortable atmosphere for fasting people. The interesting thing about this Perda is its coverage not only on regulation of restaurants and entertainment places, but also provisions that the Qur’anic recitation forum (tadarus) on the mosque loudspeaker must not exceed midnight.

Regional Regulation No. 14 of 2014 concerning Management of Hotels, Lodging and Boarding Houses. The issuance of this Perda aims to provide guidance to the lodging business owners in order to support local tourism development programs without breaking any
socially and religiously established rules. The objectives of this *Perda*; Creating Pamekasan as a religious area, strengthening the image of Pamekasan as the city of education, culture, services and commerce with a global orientation while upholding cultural values, morality and local wisdom, protecting interest of the whole parties and creating security, peace and order as well, Encouraging development of local tourism industry.

Regional Regulation No. 1 of 2017 concerning Implementation of Social Order. The issuance of this regulation is to assure social order in people’s daily life activities relating to the existence and attitude of certain groups such as beggars, street children, buskers, homeless people, and immoral people. Regional Regulation No. 3 of 2017 concerning Implementation of *Madrasah Diniyah* which serves as an implementation of the Gerbang Salam program as an effort to create Pamekasan religious community. Specifically, it provides religious knowledge for students who only attend public education institutions. It is expected that this type of students can get balanced knowledge and qualified in religious understanding.

Regional Regulation No. 3 of 2015 concerning Practice of Entertainment and Recreation Business. It is as follow up step responding the mushrooming and fast development of entertainment industry which potentially leads to immoral practices and violates local propriety traditions. Article 6 (3a) mentioned that every entertainment spot and tourism destination must uphold living religious and propriety values as well as tradition by providing some following facilities; Proper facilities for ritual ablution and cleansing, available facilities to worship easily, *halal* food and drinks, safe, comfortable and conducive atmosphere and facilities for both family and business purposes, art, cultural performances and attractions suitable with living religious norms, customs and culture, and moral values, assurance on healthy and clean sanitation as well as environment.

Regent Regulation No. 14 of 2016 concerning Karaoke Entertainment Business. This regulation is a follow-up step following the issuance of Regional Regulation of Pemekasan No. 3 of 2015 concerning the Practice of Entertainment and Recreation Bussiness. It aims to provide legal certainty on the existence of karaoke business so that it can comply with both living social norms and religious values.
The regulation requires several important things in Pamekasan karaoke business provider including; No criminal or immoral activities ranging from gambling, immoral acts, drug trafficking and use, alcoholic beverages consumption, to others thing violating living legal rules and tradition, bright and permanent lighting, airtight karaoke room with visible glass doors, lady companions with polite dress and proper appearance, commitment to close the service during religious holidays, especially in Ramadhan, full responsible on available lady companions.

Regent Regulation No. 300 of 2009 concerning the Establishment of Gerbang Salam as preaching model and strategy. This aims to make Gerbang Salam program as sustainable movement in order to build religious society while maintaining local characters. This regulation further explains vision, mission, goal, objectives, and implementation of Gerbang Salam programs. This also contains official definition and main interpretation on the Gerbang Salam in a legal product. Some of the main programs in the movement include; Building an Islamic family, building and developing an Islamic education system, building and developing social systems of Islamic civilized society, making design and implementing the development program on Islamic governmental officers, building an Islamic based social and economic life social and islamic-based economy while avoiding any form of economic systems contrary to Islamic values.

Sharia-Nuanced Regional Legal Products in Sampang

Even though Sampang does not openly declare itself as a "sharia district" as Pamekasan, several local legal products substantially reflect Islamic teaching. The Deputy Secretary of Pengurus Cabang Nahdatul Ulama (PCNU) Sampang, Fahrur Rozi, explained that the enactment of positive legal regulations gives peace of mind and comfort while avoiding away any potential behaviors violating Islamic values.22

Fahrur Rozi further mentioned that the most important thing on a local regulation is its substance which leads to the process of building people's prosperity. He reasoned that ensuring civil rights

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22 Interview with H. Fahrur Rozi, the vice chairman of PCNU Sampang in PCNU office, Juli 10, 2019.
in people's daily lives is essential in Islamic legal system. Even, Imam Ghazali in his monumental book, *Ihyā‘ Ulūm al-dīn*, emphasized that civil rights of citizenship are the main idea of Islamic *sharia* system which he popularly called it as *maqashid al-shari‘ah*. This concept emphasizes that the main purposes of the enactment of Islamic law is to focus on:

a. *Hifdz al-nasl*, the guarantee of human rights in the field of descendent lineage to not make it randomly mixed or confusing.

b. *Hifdz al-nafs*, the guarantee of human rights particularly the right to live a life and maintain souls which anyone should not take it away for any reasons.

c. *Hifdz al-‘aql*, the guarantee of human rights in terms of freedom of thought and expressing the idea.

d. *Hifdz al-dīn*, the guarantee of human rights in terms of belief in religious values and freedom in performing all forms of religious rituals and traditions.

e. *Hifdz Māl*, the guarantee of human rights in terms of property confirming that Islam is never aside to the concept of wealth.

Apart from discussion above, 1 (one) regional legal product in Sampang reflects Islamic nuance. It is the Sampang Regent Circular Letter No. 451 / 024.1 / 434.013 / 2019 concerning suggestion to pray congragentionally for all governmental officers and all Sub-District Heads in Sampang. In his introduction, the Regent affirmed that the existence of this letter aims to increase the belief to Allah among Sampang officers and Sub-District Heads.

In addition, Sampang has drafted a regional regulation on *Madrasah Diniyah* which is considered to be the most important part in maintaining Islamic values living in community’s daily lives. The regulation also gives a significant effect especially in day-to-day activities for students to maintain the concept of living in harmony with Islamic values.

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Sharia-Nuanced Regional Legal Products in Sumenep

Just like in Sampang, it is also difficult to find any sharia-based legal products in Sumenep. According to Ananta Yuniarto, The Head of Legal Affairs of Sumenep Regional Representative Council (DPRD), the only sharia-based legal product in Sumenep regency is Perda No. 7 of 2002 concerning the Sharia Rural Bank (BPR) Sumekar.

Eventhough Sumenep does not have many sharia regulations; some local regulations indirectly reflect Islamic values. One of them is Perda No. 3 of 2002 concerning Public Order. This regulation contains a No. of regulatory nomenclature which are very accordance with Islamic values, such as prohibition of doing actions which potentially disturbs people’s comfort, prohibition of illegal racing on the highway, prohibition on using alcoholic beverages, and other forms of regulations that relate to Islamic nuance.

In other words, these Perda are substantially in accordance with Islamic values. Perda No. 3 of 2002 has even absorbed beliefs, values, and provisions of Islamic law into regional regulation materials. Thus, labeling any local legal products under the name "sharia" seems to no longer needed because the most important thing is the substance and implementation instead of any attached sharia label.

Sharia-Nuanced Regional Legal Products in Bangkalan

Since long time ago, Bangkalan has been well known for its mastery on Islamic classical science. In the era of the 1800s, this district was once a reference for Islamic scholarship. Several famous ulama and the founders of Islamic boarding schools (pesantren) in Java are the alumni of Pesantren Kademangan led by a prominent scholar namely KH. Muhammad Kholil bin Abdul Latif or popularly called "Shaykhona Kholil" and "Mbah Kholil".

Relating to the shariah regional regulation in Bangkalan, its embryo had just arisen in the past 4 years.24 It is very interesting to find a fact that Bangkalan was planning a Regional Regulation on the Implementation of Sharia Tourism. However, the discussion on this took much time because of continual polemic between those who agree and those who disagree on the regulation. The dispute was

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24 Interview with KH. Makki Nashir, the chair of PCNU Bangkalan, conducted on July 7, 2019.
especially on the existence of the term *sharia* which triggered debate on whether it applies for Muslims or the whole community.

Helmy Boymia, one of drafting experts of this regulation mentioned that the important thing in regional regulation on *Sharia Tourism* is to capture Islamic values and customs of Bangkalan then formulate them in general regulation which applies to all Bangkalan people. As a consequence, the word *sharia*, is eventually agreed to get removed.25

Another effort to absorb Islamis values in Bangkalan regional regulation is also clear from the plan to change the name of Bangkalan from the “City of *Santri*” to the “City of *Dhikr and Shalawat*.” This came true when the Regional Government officially declared Bangkalan as the *City of Zikr and Shalawat* along with local leaders of *pesantren* and Islamic organizations on August 28, 2015. The declaration was then followed up by a plan of regional government and the representative council of Bangkalan (DPRD) to issue a Regional Regulation on the “City of *Dzikir and Shalawat*” as a commitment of the declaration.26 According to the Chairman of NU Bangkalan, K. Makki, the new name of Bangkalan is a reflection of Islamic values as the foundation in everyday life.27

Furthermore, DPRD Bangkalan explained that the change of name actually goes along with the change of era which is actually inevitable. In this globalization era in which human civilization moves continuously and influences human life, its enormous impact is clear especially on the development of cultural values including those in Bangkalan. Bangkalan people who used to uphold cultural values such as togetherness, family harmony and religious values are mentioned to begin to shift these noble values.

Some recent phenomenons, moreover, reflect moral degradation of Bangkalan people such as viral pornographic videos, a woman’s half-nude photo taken in Paseban Park, even at the level of local

25 Interview with Mr. Helmi Boymia, a lecturer of Fakultas Hukum UTM Bangkalan, conducted on July 7, 2019.
27 Interview with KH. Makki Nashir, the chair of PCNU Bangkalan, conducted on July 7, 2019.
government bureaucracy. It is reported that one of DPRD Bangkalan members committed obscene acts against his stepdaughter. Other cases also occurred and this implies that modernism as a necessity in this era does not only lead to constructive changes but also deconstructs the existing social order. Into some extent, it even degrades social behavior of those who were once very pious and submissive to religious values.

On another hand, religious nuance in Bangkalan is still obvious. This could be seen in Bangkalan people daily lives which still get strongly attached to the culture of pesantren such as sarong and kopyah, reciting the Qur’an in langgar (Muslim small prayer room), and recitation of shalawat.

Therefore, the role of regional government is very important in realizing Bangkalan’s goal as “The City of Dhikr and sholawat. This is particularly urgent to make the new name not merely as image building instrument or pseudo religious claim. Instead, it is supposed to show strong willingness and seriousness of both Bangkalan government and people to deal with nowadays challenges particularly in dealing with social and moral issues. Among others, turning the slogan into a living value system that really guides religious behavior in Bangkalan can be affirmed through Islamic local regulations while considering the specific local wisdom of Bangkalan people.

In addition to the aforementioned plan, Bangkalan also plans a new Regional Regulation on Polygamy to be proposed in 2020. The urgency of regulating polygamy in local legal products aims as a preventive effort to avoid fornication among Bangkalan people. The existence of this initiative causes variety of responses particularly on the urgency of regulation. People are grouped into two, namely pro and contra responding this plan.28

Conclusion

Based on aforementioned explanations, the application and/or absorption of Islamic legal values in regional legal products in Madura have two types:

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First is direct absorption and/or application of regional legal products. This takes form in regional regulations or district regulations. In Pamekasan, there found several regional legal products including Regional Regulation No. 18 of 2001 concerning Prohibition of Alcoholic Beverages; Regional Regulation No. 18 of 2004 concerning Prohibition of Prostitution; Regional Regulation No. 7 of 2008 concerning Management of Zakat, Infaq and Sadaqah; Regional Regulation No. 5 of 2010 concerning Operational Costs for Hajj; Regional Regulation No. 4 of 2014 concerning Al-Qur’an Reading Skills for Muslim Students; Regional Regulation No. 5 of 2014 concerning Control of Activities in the Month of Ramadan; Regional Regulation No. 14 of 2014 concerning Hotel, Lodging and Boarding House Managements, and several other regional legal products.

Second is indirect absorption and/or application of the Islamic law values in regional legal products. Different from the previous, this substantially imports Islamic values in the legal products such as the Regulations No. 3 of 2002 concerning Public Order in Sumenep.

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