

Evaluation of Stunting Interventions in Indonesia: Impacts at the *Kabupaten/Kota* Level



The Indonesian government has been actively implementing various programs and policies to reduce stunting rates, focusing on nutrition-specific and sensitive interventions. Since 2018, the Tanoto Foundation has been a strategic partner in supporting these government efforts. This support has taken various forms, including building the capacity of human resources at all levels of government, raising public awareness and knowledge about stunting prevention, and conducting research relevant to stunting issues. SMERU undertakes research to understand how Tanoto Foundation's programs have been implemented and their impact on enhancing local government capacity in efforts to reduce stunting at the *kabupaten/city* level. [Click the image](#) to learn more.

Publikasi Terbaru



Towards Inclusive Energy Transition in Indonesia: Simulating the Impact of Energy Sector Decarbonization on the Welfare of Vulnerable Groups

This white paper presents a simulation of the impact of energy transition on vulnerable groups. Using the Global Change Assessment Model and the Almost Ideal Demand System Model, the study found that accelerating the achievement of net-zero emissions could potentially increase poverty and inequality, especially for vulnerable groups. What other findings emerged from the simulation? [Click the image](#) to read the paper.

National Nutrition Day



Life in a Time of Food Price Volatility: Evidence from Three Villages in Indonesia—Findings of Years 1 and 2

Published in 2018, this research report remains relevant today. It examined the impact of volatile prices for food, fuel, and other basic necessities on the welfare of poor and vulnerable communities in Indonesia. Using case studies from three locations, the study identified how these communities coped with price volatility between 2011 and 2013 and the resulting effects on their food consumption patterns. [Click the image](#) to read the full report.

SMERU in the Media



CNA *Insider* news program highlights the pressing issue of youth unemployment in three of Asia's most populous countries: India, China, and Indonesia.

SMERU's senior research fellow, Asep Suryahadi, was interviewed to share his insights on youth unemployment in Indonesia, informal employment, underemployment, including the economic implications.

[Click the image](#) to watch the news.

SMERU on IDEAS/RePEc



The latest IDEAS/RePEc rankings for December 2024, which feature the top 25% of institutions and economists in Indonesia, have been released. SMERU ranked third among

institutions, while Sudarno Sumarto, SMERU's honorary senior research fellow, secured the top ranking among individual authors/researchers. The rankings are based on the quality and quantity of research publications indexed in IDEAS/RePEc, a valuable resource for researchers, academics, and policymakers. [Click the image](#) to view the complete list.

SMERU CELEBRATES ITS 24TH ANNIVERSARY



Since its establishment 24 years ago, SMERU has been at the forefront of evidence-based policymaking in Indonesia. Through rigorous research, SMERU consistently produces findings that are not only relevant to Indonesia's development challenges but also provide actionable policy recommendations. Building on over two decades of experience and accumulated knowledge, SMERU will continue to play a pivotal role in shaping a more equitable and prosperous Indonesia.

Activities



SMERU hosted a public seminar on 7 January, featuring Zulfan Tadjoeeddin, an associate professor in development studies at Western Sydney University. Zulfan discussed an overview of his latest book, *Structural Transformation as Development: Path Dependence and Geopolitics*, co-authored with Anis Chowdhury and Yogi Vidyattama. The book examines the development challenges and opportunities faced by developing countries in Asia, Africa, and the Pacific, considering their unique economic and geopolitical contexts.



On 22 January, SMERU welcomed a delegation from Asia School of Business (ASB), a graduate business school based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. ASB has four research centers focusing on sustainable small-owners; technology, strategy, and sustainability; ASEAN studies; and central banking. Both institutions expressed interest in collaborating on knowledge-sharing activities, including seminars, workshops, and academic forums.



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