ACKNOWLEDGMENT DIRECTOR GENERAL MARINE, COASTAL AND SMALL ISLANDS MINISTRY OF MARINE AFFAIRS AND FISHERIES

In the event SIDI WEEK 2013 (Sustainable Island Development Initiatives) Surabaya, November 13th 2013

initiated by Institute of Technology Sepuluh Nopember (ITS)

I would like to present my sincere welcome to all distinguished guest, Respected;

Rector of Institute of Technology, Prof. Tri Yogi Yowono and their staffs; Rector of Wismar University of Applied Sciences and their staffs; Rector of Trunojoyo University, Prof. H. Arifin and their staffs; Regent of Sumenep, Drs. KH. A. Busyro Karim, M.Si and their staffs; Regent of Berau, H. Makmur, HAPK., MM and their staffs; National Print and Electronic Media and the audience.

Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh

Good morning and best wishes for all of us,

Thanks to Allah SWT, who has been giving us blessing and mercies, so we can gather here to stay in touch with each other and exchange ideas in order to accelerate the welfare of the people in small islands in the territory of the Republic of Indonesia which we love.

On this occasion, allow me on behalf of the Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Fisheries (MMAF) expressed appreciation for the implementation of SIDI WEEK 2013 that will discuss the development of Poteran island and Maratua island and future road map.

Ladies and gentlement

As we all know that Indonesia is the largest archipelago in the world with 17,508 islands and 13,466 small islands of which has been registered with the United Nations.

Of 17,508 islands, 92 islands of which is the small outermost islands that constitute " Leading Guard" directly adjacent to the other countries, so it should be a porch Homeland to be proud. Ironically pockets of poverty, limited basic infrastructure coupled with the rate of destruction of biodiversity still strapped small islands (SI)/small outermost islands (SOI). Moreover, the status of which is a 92 PPKT Indonesian Nation Sovereignty be strategic.

This high-value strategy, to drive policy SI/SOI hold on 3 pillars SI, namely (i) Defence and security, (ii) improving the welfare of the community, and (iii) Protecting the environment. The overall mission impossible borne by MMAF alone but needs to be dealt with, so that it becomes shared responsibility, both within government (central and local), universities, private sector, NGOs, and communities as mandated by Article 33 of the 1945 Constitution where the small islands communities have the same rights as people in mainland is loaded with basic infrastructure and technology and sustainable economic touch .

Of Law No. 27 of 2007 also suggests that the development of marine and fisheries in small island -based multi-stakeholder partnerships. Development small island of more detailed has also arranged regulated by Presidential Decree (PP) No. 78/2005, Goverment Regulation No. 62/2010 and the Ministerial Regulation No. 20/2008 on the Utilization of Small Islands and surrounding waters .

Ladies and gentlement

SIDI WEEK 2013 is a follow up to the real deal that has been signed Joint between MMAF with ITS in 2012. SIDI activity is very much in line with the program that is being carried by the MMAF program "ISLAND ADOPTION". Island Adoption Program is a partnership and participatory various stakeholders with the basic principles of equality, based on local resources, community participatory, sustainable, accountable, and sustainable synergy, utilizing state budget funding sources/budget, funds CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility), and Partnership Program Community Development (CSR) state/local enterprises, research funds and the public service, nongovernmental funds (donors) as well as other funds that are not binding, with the main areas of focus include education, economics, health, infrastructure, environmental and socio-cultural.

Respected ladies and gentlement

Island adoption can be regarded as a form of community service from the tri dharma college, therefore we invite all of us to speed up development in small islands. In addition to cooperation with ITS, we also have to cooperate with IPB, UNHAS, the Foundation Kalpatma/II Sriwijaya Military Command, Gadjah Mada University, Diponegoro University and University of Indonesia.

In addition, we also have a joint venture with BP Migas on January 12nd, 2011 on "Management of Marine Resources and Fisheries in Areas Around the Upstream Oil and Gas". And cooperation with the Minister of SOEs on January 19th, 2011 on "Implementation of the Partnership and Community Development (CSR) in the Marine and Fisheries Resources Management". The things mentioned above has an opportunity to utilize CSR funds for development in small islands.

Ladies and gentlement

On this occasion, I also wish to express my thanks and appreciation to the Hochshule Wismar and DAAD has been supporting the Reform Programme the Small Islands / Small Outermost Islands under the auspices of the SIDI Program.

I hope this SIDI program can run multi year while continuing to expand the network and focus on building SI / SOI especially Poteran island and Maratua Island. We are ready to facilitate with other parties likely synergy programs / activities, so that the programs that have been compiled SIDI be more implementable and in turn may be felt as tangible results by the community.

I can understand the realization of this program is not easy, but I believe the spirit of togetherness, and was constantly looking for innovative breakthroughs, all the ideals of communities the SI/SOI and we all can be realized with either.

Wabillahi Taufik Wal Hidayah,

Wassalamu'alaikum Warrahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.

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