

FIGHTING THE WAR ON DRUGS WITH COMMUNITY CRITICAL EDUCATION

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MAIN ISSUE

- Lack of understanding of human rights, laws, and narcotics policies → leads to widespread violations against drug users.
- Users caught for personal possession face physical/psychological violence, intimidation, and extortion.
- The government's "War on Drugs" program escalates stigma and discrimination → further marginalization and reduced bargaining power.
- Despite the 2009 Narcotics Law allowing rehabilitation, law enforcement still prioritizes imprisonment, causing overcrowded prisons.



PROBLEMS

Despite the 2009 Narcotics Law, which funds rehabilitation, drug users are still criminalized and imprisoned, resulting in overcrowded prisons.



APPROACH

- FARI operates in 12 provinces: Jakarta, Banten, DI Yogyakarta, West Java, Central Java, East Java, North Sumatra, South Sumatra, Jambi, West Borneo and Riau Islands, South Sulawesi.
- Members, working as paralegals, collaborate with Legal Aid Institutions for non-litigation and litigation support.
- FARI documents human rights violations committed by law enforcement and policymakers.



SOLUTIONS

- Forum Akar Rumput Indonesia (FARI) was founded by narcotics activists to provide legal aid, human rights education, and information to drug users.
- FARI operates through WhatsApp groups to offer legal guidance and HAM education, funded by voluntary contributions.

"Humanizing PEOPLE, fighting criminalization, and advocating for the rights of DRUG USERS and other vulnerable groups."