

# **Enhancing School Independency by Improving Society Involvement and Build A School Business Center**

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## **ABSTRACT**

Madrasah Ibtidaiyah (MI) is a school which is equivalent to SD under the auspices of the Ministry of Religion. What distinguishes MI from SD is that there is more religious learning content than SD. With this impression, MI, which should have advantages, tends to be looked down upon and considered an outcast school. Students who cannot enter SD for various reasons will be sent to MI. MI Muhammadiyah Lemahdadi is trying to break this stigma by trying to introduce a flagship program. However, this is not easy, especially for schools that have not been established for a long time. The problems faced by Madrasas include the low interest of new students as seen from the very minimum number of students per class, so the total number of students is only 54. Every year this MI has to compete with other schools in the same area to get new students. In fact, MI has great potential. The land it owns is very large, reaching 2700m<sup>2</sup> with a new building area taking up 500m<sup>2</sup> of the total land. The teachers who teach include young teachers who have the potential to advance madrasas. But the awards given to them are still very minimal. With this potential, it is very possible to provide assistance to MI Muhammadiyah Lemahdadi through the Madrasa Galang program. This program aims to accelerate MI's potential by assisting teachers both in the field of education and madrasah management, as well as the initiation of Madrasah-owned enterprises (BUMM) which can become a source of income for madrasahs. Activities that will be carried out as a solution to the problems faced are training to improve teacher quality, especially for MI material. In addition, madrasah-based management improvement assistance will be carried out so that a superior and integrated system is formed. Seeing the potential of the land that is still wide, a catfish farm will be created using the biofloc method which can be a source of additional income for madrasas so that teacher salaries can increase.

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