

THE CASE STUDY ON THE SEXUAL BEHAVIOR OF MALE SEX WORKERS KNOWN AS “KIPER” IN THE PREVENTION HIV/ AIDS IN THE LOVINA BEACH, BALI

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ABSTRACT

Background: One of Bali's unique tourism-related professions is male sex worker at Lovina beach called “Kiper”. A number of mortality cases of the kipers suffering from HIV/ AIDS occurred in 2014. This study aimed to describe the life and sexual behavior of the kipers at Lovina beach, Buleleng, Singaraja, Bali.

Subjects and Method: This was an analytic qualitative study. The study was conducted in the Lovina beach, Buleleng, Singaraja, Bali, in 2015 to 2016. A total of six kipers were studied as the key informants. The data were collected by in-depth interview and observation.

Results: Fulfilling the living need is the main reason for becoming a kiper. Average frequency of sexual transaction was four to five times a week. Location of sexual transaction was hotel. The duration of the sexual intercourse was about 1-2 hours. The transaction pay was Rp 350,000 to Rp 500,000 for the short-time, and up to Rp 10,000,000 for the long-time transaction. Multiple transactions and multiple partners were preferred because they brought pride to the kipers. Sex contract with kiper lasted for the duration that the sex partner (usually foreign tourist) spent for his holiday in Bali. Most kipers interviewed used condoms as an effort to prevent sexual transmitted infection and HIV/AIDS.

Conclusion: Kipers at Lovina beach use to have sex with multiple partners (usually foreign tourists) in multiple sex transactions. Fortunately, most of them use condoms as an effort to prevent sexual transmitted infection and HIV/ AIDS.

Keywords: sexual behavior, male sex workers, “kipper”, prevention of HIV/AIDS, Bali

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