NELLA ARIANI, 0910440294. Role of Women in Agro-industry of Banana Chips and Its Impact to The Welfare of Family (Case Study in Burno Village, Senduro District, Lumajang Regency). Supervised by Dr. Ir. Abdul Wahib M, MS and Riyanti Isaskar, SP. M.Si.

The development process in Indonesia has implications for the inclusion of women in the public sector. This is supported by data from the Badan Pusat Statistik in 2008 that in Indonesia there are 35.4 million women are working, with the composition of 9.1 million working in the formal sector and 26.3 million in the informal sector of the type of work that is chosen by the women in the informal sector. Burno village, Senduro District, Lumajang Regency is one banana producers in Lumajang. Banana plantations by Burno village 60 acres with yields of 2.5 tons per hectare. The potential of natural resources in Burno village, especially bananas used to create jobs such as agro-industry. Most of the agro-industry of banana chips workers at household level Burno village is home mothers around the agro-industry location. By working working in agro-industry, women are required to take care of the domestic sector (households ) also play a role in the search for additional family income.

Based on that, there are some issues that need to be analyzed that. 1) What are the reasons that drive women to work in the agro-industry of banana chips in Burno village? 2) What is the role of women in agro-industry of banana chips in Burno village? 3) What is the impact of the contribution of women in agro-industry of banana chips to the the welfare of family in Burno village? Based on the problems, we can get the research objectives: 1) To know the reasons that encourage women working in agro-industry of banana chips in Burno village. 2) To identify the role of women in agro-industry of banana chips in Burno village. 3) To identify the impact of the contribution of women in agro-industry of banana chips in Burno village.

Determination of the location of the research was done purposively with considerations that Burno village is one of the centers of agro-industry of banana chips and processing of agricultural products are Burno Sari agro-industry and Raja Rasa agro-industry who largely dominated by the female labor housewives around the agro-industry. In this study the respondents were taken using a non-probability sampling technique, the kind that used purposive sampling, which in this study determines the chosen based on inherent characteristics possessed by the sample. Based on predetermined criteria, respondents obtained a total of 37 people that married women, still have a husband and having children and also working in the agro-industry of banana chips Burno Sari and Raja Rasa. Data analysis method used are descriptive analysis and gender analysis which includes four aspects: analysis of activity, access analysis, control analysis and benefit analysis.

The results showed that the reasons that drive women working in the public sector in agro-industry, namely banana chips, among others, increase the family income, is not economically dependent on her husband and have an interest or expertise who want to be exploited. Judging from four aspects, namely the aspect of gender analysis activities, aspects of access, control aspects and aspects of benefits, women's employment is more dominant in the various activities in the agro-industry production of banana chips when compared with male workers. Agro-industry of banana chips that occupied by the respondents that women working in provide a considerable influence on the welfare of the family respondent. Prior to working in the agro-industry of banana chips, the total score of each respondent subvariabel welfare is at 17,76 or 65,55 percent while after working in agro-industry of banana chips total score of each respondent subvariabel welfare and to 21,44 or 79,54 percent.

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