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ABSTRACT

One of the most water scarce regions in the world are the North Africa, Rapid population growth brought on by several reasons, such as rising income levels and expanding urbanization, has made water shortage worse in North Africa. Tunisia in North Africa region who are having a trouble in handling their water resources, in terms of controlling and utilizing it. Based on the 11th Five-Year Socioeconomic development plan by Tunisia government and in the line of Japan diplomatic purposes, where the initiative will try to eliminate the issues in Africa region, and in this case Japan through Oda loan that provided by JICA, is trying to solve water supply issues that could restrain both country interest. How far this cooperation could happen, in between Japan and Tunisia through the Desalination project in terms of implementation and impacts for both countries interest issues in the region, is a matter of question to be discussed. Theoretically speaking regarding the Complex Interdependence and Resources Diplomacy theory that exist in Tunisia and Japan cooperation is indeed both side are mutually dependent on the goal in short- and long-term effects through Desalination of Ground Water Project in Southern Tunisia.

Key Words: Tunisia, Japan, Africa, Water, Cooperation, Dependency, Diplomacy.

Abstrak

Salah satu wilayah yang paling langka air di dunia adalah Afrika Utara. Pertumbuhan populasi yang cepat yang disebabkan oleh beberapa alasan, seperti meningkatnya tingkat pendapatan dan perluasan urbanisasi, hal tersebut memperburuk situasi kekurangan air di Afrika Utara. Tunisia di kawasan Afrika Utara yang mengalami kesulitan dalam menangani sumber daya airnya, dalam hal penguasaan dan pemanfaatannya. Berdasarkan Rencana Pembangunan Sosial Ekonomi Lima Tahun yang ke-11 oleh pemerintah Tunisia dan sejalan dengan tujuan diplomasi Jepang, dimana inisiatif tersebut akan berusaha menghilangkan permasalahan di kawasan Afrika, dan dalam hal ini Jepang melalui pinjaman Oda yang disediakan oleh JICA, sedang berusaha untuk memecahkan masalah pasokan air yang dapat menghambat kepentingan kedua negara. Sejauh mana kerjasama ini dapat terjadi, antara Jepang dan Tunisia melalui proyek Desalinasi dalam hal implementasi dan dampaknya bagi kepentingan kedua negara di kawasan, menjadi pertanyaan yang perlu didiskusikan. Secara teori, jika dikaitkan dengan teori Komplex Interdepedensi dan Diplomasi Sumber Daya dan Infrastruktur yang ada dalam kerjasama Tunisia dan Jepang, memang lah kedua belah pihak memiliki ketergantungan pada tujuan yang sama dalam efek jangka pendek dan jangka panjang melalui Proyek Desalinasi Air Tanah di Tunisia Selatan.

Kata Kunci: Tunisia, Jepang, Afrika, Air, Kerjasama, Ketergantungan, Diplomasi.

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