ABSTRACT

Abortion always becomes the interesting topic to talk. Many responses and considerations that can appear from any group. The most of the responses and consideration is based on law and religion perspective. Whereas the psychological, social, and economical consideration that is experienced by the doer/victim of abortion often ignored. Actually, this is important to see as the other consideration in abortion problem. Besides, the description from mass media that inform the abortion phenomena is identical with “sadism” concerning a woman has a heart to bring down his fetus and throw it to the dustbin. On the other side, the man as the side that also should be responsible even almost untouchable. The situation makes woman as the victim and cannot struggle the right of own her body.

The goal of the research is to show the presence of variety in view, response, consideration use in parents, medical officers and teenagers in Hinduism society in Bali about abortion. This research is also aimed to raise the attitude change and consideration as the foundation when the more detail information about the case’s context, also concerning with the considerations that appear when people see abortion case by case. This research uses feminist perspective by descriptive quantitative method. The data are taken by using two kinds of questionnaires. The first questionnaire consists of some questions about the basic knowledge of abortion and the second one is about the abortion in detail. The first questionnaire is referred to reveal the dominant view/assessment to the group of society that have a difference. The second part aim to make the respondent think more contextual. The data from this questionnaire is then analyzed using the content analysis.

The result of analysis from the first questionnaire generally shows that there is a moralistic assessment. From the second questionnaire it makes the change of the assessment appear also the consideration that significant in all of the three groups. The parents group stresses the medical matter as the prime consideration. The medical officer stress on the psychosocial consideration, and the teenagers give more assessment moralistically. The conclusion is that there are many kinds of view-point from the three groups about abortion. So it is hoped the abortion phenomena are not only seen from the law and religion aspects, and consider the psychosocial factor that becomes the highest reason of abortion.

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