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INTRODUCTION

- EXTREME IDEOLOGIES AND TERROR (EXTREME FEAR) HAVE BECOME COMMON PHENOMENA IN CONTEMPORARY INDONESIA.
- USED TO BE STATE TERRORISM: RIGHT (ISLAM) AND LEFT WINGS (COMMUNISM)
- CURRENTLY “RELIGIOUS” TERRORISM: JAMA’AH ISLAMIYAH, ANSHORI TAUHID, ISLAMIC STATE OF IRAQI AND SYRIA (ISIS), CELLS (SANTOSO, BHRUN NA’IM)
- DENSUS 88 AND DERADICALIZATION POLICY

BACK GROUND

- POLITICS AS POWER STRUGGLE AND INTERESTS ARTICULATION
- RADICALISM AND TERRORISM AS POLITICAL WEAPONS
- USED TO BE STATES AS ACTORS BY USING SINGLE IDEOLOGY (PANCASILA)
- CURRENTLY NON-STATE ACTORS: ELEMENTS OF ISLAM BY INTRODUCING “**JIHAD**” “WAR IN THE NAME OF ALLAH (GOD)”

OBJECTIVES AND TOOLS

- IN SEARCH OF IDENTITY, ENFORCE AN IDEOLOGY
- AGAINST “THE WEST” MEANS THAT ALL VALUE SYSTEM THAT BROUGHT ABOUT BY WESTERNIZATION (CLASH OF CIVILIZATION) AT ALL COSTS
- SOFT WAYS: PERSUASION, INFLUENCE AND TRANSFORM RADICAL IDEOLOGY
- HARD WAYS: KILLING, BOMBING AND OTHER MEANS THAT CREATE EXTREME FEAR

POLITICAL RESOURCES

- SOFT POWER: CHARISMATIC LEADERSHIP, MONEY AND IDEOLOGY
- HARD POWER: GUNS AND BOMS, ESPECIALLY LOW AND HIGH EXPLOSSIVE ONE
- STRUCTURAL CONDITIONS: POVERTY, LOW EDUCATED SOCIETY, LAWLESS STATE AND INJUSTICE SITUATION, ESPECIALLY AMONG THE POOR AND UNDEVELOPED COMMUNITY

ACTORS AND PROCESSES

- ORGANIZATIONS: GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO ARE BOUND BY SIMILAR INTERESTS AND GOALS ALSO DIRECTED BY A SIMILAR CODE OF CONDUCT (BELIEVE SYSTEM)
- ANOMIC : GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO ARE LEAD BY A SIMILAR INTEREST
- INDIVIDUAL (CELLS)

DRIVING FORCES OF RADICALISTS AND TERRORISTS

- DOMESTIC: INTERNAL CONDITIONS AND STRUCTURAL ENVIRONMENTS
- INTERNATIONAL FACTORS
- NEEDS FOR THE PURIFICATION OF ISLAM
- TECHNOLOGY ADVANCEMENT, ESP. CELLULAR PHONE AND INTERNETS

WEAKNESSES

- INTERNAL: SOCIO-POLITICAL AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC HARMONY
- LEVEL OF STATE DEVELOPMENT
- INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (PEACE)
BECOMES MORE DOMINANT RATHER THAN
INTERNATIONAL GAPS (WAR)

PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS

- RADICALISM IS PART OF PLURALISM. IN THE CONTEXTS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY, IT IS ONE OF THE HUMAN POLITICAL RIGHTS. “EVERY BODY HAS THE RIGHT TO EXPRESS...” (CONSTITUTIONALLY IS GUARRANTED BY THE STATE)
- LAW ENFORCEMENT, ECONOMIC CONDITIONS, STANDARD OF EDUCATION
- DERADICALIZATION

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