



Early Marriage and Household Vulnerability: Case Study in Medan Sinembah Village, Tanjung Morawa District, Deli Serdang Regency

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Abstract

Marrying at an early age means getting married at an immature age. This research aims to analyze the impact of early marriage on divorce rates, and analyze the problems experienced by teenagers who marry early after deciding to divorce. The type of research used is descriptive research with a qualitative approach. This research was conducted in Medan Sinembah Village, District. Tanjung Morawa District. Deli Serdang. This research began on 17 February 2023 to 17 December 2023. The results of the research show that early marriage can increase the divorce rate because of the mental unpreparedness of teenagers who marry early in marriage, not being able to support their families because they do not have a permanent job so they often still depend on parents, whose thinking is still unstable in resolving household problems, often use emotions, infidelity, and do not have firm boundaries regarding values and norms in interacting outside the home. The problems faced by teenagers who marry early after divorce include being a topic of discussion in society because they have the status of widows/widowers at a young age, difficulties in adapting to the environment because they feel embarrassed about their widow/widower status, and the breakdown of friendly relations between former families. husband and wife.

Keywords: Early Marriage, Divorce, Medan Sinembah Village

Abstrak: Menikah pada usia dini artinya menikah pada usia yang belum matang. Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menganalisis pernikahan dini berdampak terhadap tingkat perceraian, dan menganalisis masalah yang dilalui oleh remaja yang menikah dini setelah memutuskan untuk bercerai. Tipe penelitian yang digunakan adalah penelitian deskriptif dengan pendekatan kualitatif. Penelitian ini dilakukan di Desa Medan Sinembah Kec. Tanjung Morawa Kab. Deli Serdang. Penelitian ini dimulai pada tanggal 17 Februari 2023 sampai dengan 17 Desember 2023. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan bahwa pernikahan dini dapat meningkatkan angka perceraian karena ketidaksiapan mental remaja yang menikah dini dalam berumah tangga, belum sanggup menafkahi keluarga lantaran belum memiliki pekerjaan yang tetap sehingga seringkali masih bergantung pada orangtua, pemikiran masih labil dalam menyelesaikan persoalan rumah tangga seringkali menggunakan emosi, perselingkuhan, dan belum punya batasan yang tegas terhadap nilai dan norma dalam berinteraksi diluar rumah. Adapun masalah yang dilalui oleh remaja yang menikah dini setelah bercerai diantaranya sebagai topik pembicaraan masyarakat lantaran sudah berstatus janda / duda diumur yang masih muda, kesulitan dalam beradaptasi dengan lingkungan karena perasaan malu akan status janda / duda yang dimiliki, dan putusnya hubungan silaturahmi antar keluarga mantan suami / istri.

Kata Kunci: Pernikahan Dini, Perceraian, Desa Medan Sinembah

Introduction

Young marriage is a social problem phenomenon in Indonesia and is certainly a serious problem for society because it can give rise to negative opinions among Indonesian society. The marriage of minors is a contract that can guarantee that a man and a woman can live together and form a male-female relationship and that the married person (future husband/future wife) has legal rights before reaching the specified age. . applicable in Indonesia, decided by the government (Sony, 2018).8).

Law No. 16 of 2019 emphasizes that for those who wish to marry under age, it is stated in article 7 paragraph (1) that the minimum age limit for marriage has been equalized to 19 years. Then in article 7 (seven) paragraphs (2) to paragraph (4) it is emphasized that there is a solution for prospective brides who will be married who have not yet reached the age of 19 years, so they can ask the court for dispensation for very urgent reasons accompanied by evidence. sufficient supporting evidence. In article paragraph (2) of the Marriage Law, it is emphasized that marriage dispensation can be granted for urgent reasons. The meaning of "urgent reasons" is a situation where there is no other choice and the marriage must be forced to take place.

A person who has entered into a physical and spiritual bond between a man and a woman as husband and wife with the aim of forming a family, whether done legally or according to custom/belief, can also be said to be married. If a marriage is carried out by someone who is relatively young then it can be said to be an early marriage. The relatively young age referred to is the age of puberty, namely between 17-18 years. So, a teenager between the ages of 17-18 years who has entered into a physical and spiritual

bond as husband and wife with the aim of forming a family is said to have an early marriage or young marriage.

Currently, the problem that occurs among teenagers is that many teenagers want to build a household by getting married early. If explored, many factors cause teenagers to marry early, this could be due to promiscuity resulting from marriage outside of marriage. Another thing is distorted information that changes teenagers' viewpoints or can also be caused by economic factors. Even though there are many factors behind early marriage, there are also more negative impacts that occur when having an early marriage. These impacts consist of physical and mental impacts. Physically, for example, the teenager is not yet strong, his pelvic bones are still too small so it could endanger the birthing process. This condition is based on the existence of an era that is still behind, so the concept of thinking does not really lead to a better level of life in the future.

Another factor in early marriage is teenagers' education and parents' low education. In a person's life, responding to problems and making decisions, including more complex matters, or psychosocial maturity is greatly influenced by a person's level of education (Wulandari & Sarwoprasadjo, 2014). A child's low level of education and knowledge can lead to a tendency to marry at an early age (Ananda et al., 2021). Parents play a very important role in determining whether teenagers marry at a young age. Parents also have a big role in delaying children's marriage age (Al-Ghifari, 2003). The decision to marry at a young age is largely determined by the role of parents. The role of parents is very important in making the decision to marry at a young age, where

the decision to marry at a young age is a decision that is related to the background of the relationship that is built between parents and children and their circle of friends.

Sugiarti's research (2022), states that the driving factors for early marriage in Gegunung sub-district, Sumber sub-district, Cirebon district are economic, cultural and out-of-wedlock pregnancy. Meanwhile, the impact of early marriage is poor economic conditions, vulnerability to disease and domestic violence. Research by Zulqarnain & Wibowo (2019) shows that marriage should be carried out at the ideal age for men and women so that they are able to carry out the responsibilities of marriage. However, what happens if marriage is carried out at an early age for both men and women, of course it will have a social and psychological impact on the couple. The background of individuals carrying out early marriages is due to accidental factors such as pregnancy out of wedlock, then economic factors, parental factors such as arranged marriages and then factors that perpetuate the relationship as well as low education factors that make early marriages occur in Air Balui village. Furthermore, the impact of early marriage can have a social and psychological impact on the couple, namely economic impacts, unstable emotional impacts, reduced socialization with peers, and not being able to continue their education.

Information obtained from interviews with several teenagers who married early in Medan Sinembah Village, District. Tanjung Morawa District. Deli Serdang is that most of them get married at an early age of their own accord, not forced by their parents, although some of them are arranged by their parents, and there are also those who are forced to marry early because of an accident (pregnancy out of wedlock). According to the confessions of those who married young, they

wanted to get married quickly so as not to fall into unwanted things, such as adultery and so on, because almost all young people in Medan Sinembah Village, Tanjung Morawa District, Batubara Regency are already dating.

Underage marriage can end in divorce because marrying underage makes a person not mentally or physically ready to build a household, so it often causes problems later on, even a bit of a mess along the way, and ultimately ends in early divorce. As happened in Medan Sinembah District. Tanjung Morawa District. Deli Serdang, where it was found that quite a lot of teenagers decided to marry early, and some of these teenagers failed to maintain their households.

Cases of early marriage in Tanjung Morawa District are still relatively high compared to other areas, especially in Medan Sinembah Village. According to records from the Tanjung Morawa District Religious Affairs office, 45% of wedding participants can be classified as early marriages. This criterion of course refers to several ideal requirements for a sacred ceremony, namely marriage. Judging from several impacts that occur due to marriages carried out by teenagers who are still underage or called young marriages, one of them that is more specific to the social realm is that it can reduce family harmony.

Based on data obtained by researchers in the field, the factors that cause divorce in teenagers who marry early are due to educational and economic factors, because after marriage various problems are experienced by the families of teenagers who marry early, such as after getting married their husbands decide to go abroad after 5 months of marriage because they don't have enough. for living expenses if you work in the village, what's more, the wife is pregnant, and as time passes, finally there is action that makes the household increasingly

directionless, the husband leaves the wife and there is no news. In the situation where the wife is giving birth to her child, the impact is that she entrusts the child to her parents and the wife goes after her husband so that the one who takes care of him from infancy to adulthood is his grandmother. They admitted that after early marriage they felt regret, where they dropped out of education, were less satisfied when playing, and had a difficult economy. It's different before they got married, where they often dated so that unwanted things happened, regret came last.

According to some informants, they also said "*don't be in a hurry to get married, satisfy your single/girlhood because marriage can't be like that yet,*" meaning that before you get married you can meet friends, hang out together, go shopping with your friends to your heart's content. However, after getting married, on the contrary, they felt that the economy was difficult, their husbands did not work, gambled and were always shouted at. This is what shocked their bodies after they got married because they heard about the violence they felt after getting married.

Based on the statement above, it can be understood that early marriage often causes turmoil in married life, this is caused by a lack of mental readiness and the body and soul are still not ready to build a household so that it is not uncommon for quarrels, misunderstandings or differences of opinion to occur between the two, which can lead to divorce and There are also other illnesses such as excessive jealousy, lack of good communication, as well as economic problems (while married, still unemployed), not working, this is a very important factor in married life because all of this is caused by early marriage.

METODE

The research method used is a descriptive qualitative method which places more emphasis on aspects of understanding by being able to describe symptoms and events that occur in society (Hasibuan, 2023). The location of the research was carried out in Medan Sinembah Village, District. Tanjung Morawa District. Deli Serdang, North Sumatra Province. This research was conducted from February 17 2023 to December 17 2023.

The research instruments used were observation, interviews and documentation (Sugiyono, 2008). The research informants were couples who married at an early age, parents, and the head of the Tanjung Morawa KUA taken using purposive sampling techniques (Hasibuan, 2023; Moleong, 2010; Sugiyono, 2008; Yusuf, 2013). The data was analyzed by carrying out data reduction, presenting the data, then drawing conclusions (Moleong, 2010; Sugiyono, 2008).

HASIL

Early marriage is a marriage that takes place at an age below the productive age, namely less than 19 (nineteen) years. Early marriage is a symptom that is widespread among teenagers today, in this case teenagers experience life pressure because teenagers are still in an unstable period full of turmoil, so early marriage often has fatal consequences.

The factors that cause teenagers in Medan Sinembah Village to choose to marry at an early age can have several impacts on their household or social life. Especially negative impacts such as research findings show that marrying at an early age can increase the divorce rate because psychologically both partners who marry at an early age are less ready to live a married life and raise children.

Divorce is a culmination or bad event, and can occur when a husband and wife can no longer find a solution to a problem that can satisfy both parties, it becomes an interpersonal relationship which means the same as a relationship with another person, there is nothing different and not there is something special delivered. Apart from that, the researchers' findings also show that divorce due to early marriage is also caused by an inability to support the family, and unstable thinking. The following is a more detailed description of the researchers' findings in the field:

1. Mental unpreparedness in marriage

Unpreparedness is the overall condition of a person or individual to respond to and practice an activity where the attitude contains mental, skills and attitudes that are not yet capable of being prepared to carry out certain activities. As with the findings of researchers in Medan Sinembah Village, it shows that one of the causes of divorce for couples who marry at an early age is due to mental unpreparedness for marriage. The mental unpreparedness that occurs in married couples who marry at an early age occurs due to a lack of education about marriage and inadequate mental and physical preparation, which results in conflict in the household. Married couples who marry at an early age in Medan Sinembah Village are not yet fully aware of their respective roles and functions.

Based on the results of an interview with SAM (45 years), stated:

"... Before getting married, there is usually pre-wedding guidance from the KUA which aims to provide knowledge and mental readiness for the prospective bride and groom so that they are truly ready to live their new life. In the pre-marital guidance, material will be provided such as how to

create a happy family, build mutual awareness, overcome various kinds of problems in the family and many other materials will be provided so that the prospective bride and groom are able to face all the challenges in marriage. So, why is there such a thing as divorce in the family because sometimes there are those who have unregistered marriages and are not registered with the KUA, so of course they will not receive premarital guidance. Usually, the majority of people who carry out unregistered marriages are those who marry before they are old enough or get married at a very early age. "We both know that if you marry underage, your mentality will still be very weak in building a household."

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with SR (49 years old), who is a parent of a teenager who married early, stating:

"... Personally, I will immediately marry my children if they have met their soul mate and are sure of their choice. Instead of committing adultery, it would be better to marry them. It's their responsibility to deal with their household later, because that's the choice of both of them, don't you think so? But fortunately, even though my children are married, they still live with me so I can still monitor them if their behavior is a bit different, but in fact my children are not mentally capable of starting a family, fortunately I am there to always advise them. If not, maybe they are already divorced, they are like their friends their age, most of whom are already divorced."

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with SA (18 years old who is a teenager who married early, stating:

"... It's true that getting married is good at the beginning, you think if you get married young you will have a good life, your

mental health will be maintained because your husband can make you happy. You can always see your loved ones like that, right? In fact, it was just momentary happiness. That's why you couldn't stand the marriage and chose to end it.

Based on the results of interviews with the three informants, it can be understood that early marriage can increase the divorce rate in Medan Sinembah Village because it tends to be that married couples who are not old enough are mentally not ready to build a household. This was confirmed by the Head of the Tanjung Morawa KUA that before getting married the prospective bride and groom were given pre-marital guidance which contained material related to all the ways to face challenges in the household and on average married couples who were not yet old enough, they only married in a series first, then that was it. It took quite a long time before they officially remarried at KUA. This is what causes married couples who marry underage to not receive premarital guidance, and in the end they are not mentally ready to face various storms in the household.

Researchers' findings regarding the mental unpreparedness of married couples who marry early can increase divorce in line with Talcott Parsons' theory which relates to adaptation, which is society's ability to interact with the existing environment and environment. A system must cope with critical external situations. The system must adapt to the environment and adapt that environment to its needs. However, the research findings show that married couples who marry early as a family system are unable to adapt to each other, which results in their mental unpreparedness in accepting their status as wife or husband.

2. Not yet able to support the family

Support is a gift from the husband given to the wife after a marriage contract. Support is obligatory because of a valid contract, the wife's submission to her husband, and the possibility of having fun. Support is only required of the husband because of the demands of the marriage contract and because of the continuity of having fun, just as the wife is obliged to obey her husband, always accompany him, manage the household, and educate her children. When a husband is unable to provide for his wife, both physically and spiritually, the husband is deemed unable to fulfill his obligations and this will create an imbalance in the family which can trigger divorce. As research findings in the field show, the divorce rate among teenagers who marry early in Medan Sinembah Village is increasing, also triggered by the husband's inability to support his wife because they do not have a permanent job. The research findings show that teenage boys who marry early on average only work as fishermen who go to sea, daily laborers, or work in their parents' business places such as looking after stalls and workshops. In other words, teenagers who marry early to men still involve and depend on their parents to meet their family's needs.

Based on the results of an interview with MJ (18 years old), who is a teenager who married early, stated:

"... I work as a fisherman looking for fish to sell in the market. For fishermen, their income depends on sea conditions. If the waves are big, you can't go out to sea to fish. If you don't go out to sea to fish, of course you won't have any

money, never mind if you don't have any money, then your wife will ask for a lot anyway. Yes, I'm confused, his job is only as a fisherman and nothing else. Yes, in the end, we'll end up fighting and breaking up."

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with HN (51 years old), who is a parent of a teenager who married early, stating:

"... Yes, it's true that the mother's daughter married young too. If there is no permanent work, the mother's children only work to help look after the mother's shop, at most they will be given money according to the craft of the mother's children who come to look after the shop. But your children often don't come, so you definitely don't have any money to give your wife. "At the very least, if the child doesn't have money, the mother will ask the mother, the parent will definitely give it because they can't bear to see the child in trouble."

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with N (18 years old), who is a teenager who married early, stating:

"... When you get married, you have a lot of needs, not to mention buying ingredients for cooking, buying milk for your children, not to mention our needs as women, of course we also need money to buy skincare. But having a husband who only works as a casual daily laborer means he gets uncertain money. So the family's needs are not met. Yes, the last mainstay I borrowed from my parents. I'm embarrassed, but what else can I do than not eating? Moreover, I have survived this far only for the sake of my children. If I didn't have children, maybe I would have chosen to separate like most people."

Based on the results of interviews with the three informants, it can be understood that another cause that causes early marriage to increase divorce in Medan Sinembah Village is the inability to support the family. If the man is not old enough and decides to get married, of course the man does not yet have a stable job, and often still relies on help from his parents, such as still working to help his parents' business. In such conditions, of course the husband, who plays the role of head of the household and provides for the family, is not able to meet the family's needs, thus causing quarrels with his partner and leading to divorce.

The statement above is in line with the theory put forward by Talcott Parsons that systems will survive if the systems are integrated with each other. Integration is the harmony of all members of a social system after reaching a mutual agreement on the values or norms of society. This is the role of these values as an integrator of a social system. A system must regulate the relationships between the parts that are its components. The system must also manage the relationships between the other three functions. Society must regulate the relationships between its components so that it can function optimally. The research findings show that husband and wife couples who marry early are not in harmony because one of the parties, namely the husband, is unable to support his family and it can be said that the husband cannot function optimally so that mutual agreement in the household is not reached and ends in divorce.

3. Thinking is still unstable

Early marriage also has an impact on divorce because the thinking of

teenagers who marry early is still unstable because the age of those involved in early marriage is still in their teens, where during adolescence they are very vulnerable to unstable and turbulent emotional states. Emotional maturity is a very important aspect in maintaining the continuity of a household. The welfare of a household is largely determined by emotional maturity, both the emotional maturity of the husband and wife. This is proven by the findings of researchers in Medan Sinembah Village that divorce occurs among teenagers who marry early because in their actions they only rely on emotions alone, even when facing anger towards their partner, teenagers who marry early tend to make bad decisions and tend to open up about one thing each other when fighting.

Based on the results of an interview with DA (42 years old), who is a parent of a teenager who married early, stated:

"... If we talk about my child's age, it's still too early to start a household. But what else can I do if I have a strong desire to get married, rather than having to forbid them from doing strange things, right? But yes, even though I'm married, I still have to control his childish behavior, because even I still often throw tantrums and get emotional when there's something he likes, especially with my partner, it's definitely hard to control my emotions when I'm angry. So if he fights with his partner, I will advise him."

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with KS (17 years), who is a teenager who married early, stating:

"...Marriage requires a lot of patience, it can't be the same as when we were still dating, if you sulk you block everything related to your partner, right? If you're married you can't anymore. If you are still carrying on the habit of dating, it is certain that your marriage will not last long."

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with TZ (18 years old), who is a teenager who married early, stating:

"... So a husband has to give up a lot to his wife, it can no longer be compared to dating, where if you get angry you can go days without communication. If you're married, you can't be angry for long because we live under the same roof. My wife is a moody person who gets angry easily. Even small problems can become very big. If I can't wait to face him, maybe our relationship won't last long."

Based on the results of interviews with the three informants, it can be understood that the unstable thinking of teenagers who marry early can also increase divorce. Thoughts that are still unstable make teenagers who marry early become emotional when facing problems with their partners, so that they often reveal their partners' disgrace to each other if there is something they don't like, and in the end they are unable to maintain the integrity of their household, which leads to divorce.

The findings above are in line with Talcott Parsons' theory which relates to Latency is the maintenance of models, in this case certain social values such as culture and language. A system must equip, maintain and improve both individual motivation and the cultural

patterns that create and sustain motivation. The relationship between husband and wife who marry early ends in divorce due to cultural patterns that are still carried over when they are single, namely habits that still think childishly or unstable so that they are unable to maintain a household well.

4. Infidelity

Based on the findings, researchers also show that infidelity is also one of the factors that causes married couples who marry at an early age to divorce. Infidelity is defined as a problem in a relationship that can disrupt marital satisfaction and have an impact on the individual who is the victim. Infidelity that occurs in married couples who marry early in Medan Sinembah Village is caused by one of the partners feeling dissatisfied with their partner and wanting to try new things like they did when they were not married.

Based on the results of an interview with AI (18 years old who is a teenager who married early, stated:

"... If a husband and wife can take care of their hearts enough for their partner, the marriage relationship will definitely last and divorce will not occur. Well, this is the temperament when you are not married, you still carry around feeling single and looking for other girls out there."

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with BE (18 years old), who is a teenager who married early, stating:

"...Marrying young has many risks that must be accepted. "Especially at that age, my eyes still wander here and there, looking at the little thing that's clear and

then getting close to me, I forget that I'm already married."

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with TZ (18 years old), who is a teenager who married early, stating:

"... When you get married at this age, you have to be patient, especially since our partner still likes hanging out with his friends, when he goes out he always acts in an overly fashionable way, it seems like he is luring a third person into our relationship."

Based on the results of interviews with the three informants, it can be understood that infidelity can also trigger divorce. By getting married at a young age, of course your behavior when you are single will still be carried over. Behavior that still likes hanging out with friends and seeing the opposite sex out there who are more attractive because they are still single makes people curious to approach them so they forget about their own partner and betray their partner so that often there are quarrels because the partner does not accept this behavior and divorce is the final result. from a marital relationship.

The above statement is in line with Talcott Parsons' theory regarding integration, which is the harmony of all members of a social system after reaching a mutual agreement on the values or norms of society. This is the role of these values as an integrator of a social system. A system must regulate the relationships between the parts that are its components. The system must also manage the relationships between the other three functions. Society must regulate the relationships between its

components so that it can function optimally. The researchers' findings show that there is no harmony between married couples who marry early so that a third person manages to enter their household and in the end one of the married couples cheats. Married couples who marry early cannot manage their household relations well, so in this case they cannot function optimally.

5. Don't have firm limits on values and norms when interacting outside the home

Another cause that causes the divorce rate to increase among teenagers who marry early in Medan Sinembah Village is that they do not have firm boundaries regarding values and norms in interacting outside the home. As the research findings show, male teenagers who marry early cannot carry out good responsibilities as heads of families whose job is to earn a living, because they have low education and therefore do not have a permanent job. Meanwhile, teenage girls who marry early have not carried out their duties as good wives and mothers for their husbands and children, because it can be seen from their habits that they still like to live freely going here and there with their friends.

Based on the results of an interview with MS (38 years old), who is a parent of a teenager who married early, stated:

"... If we are married, we must at least know everything about our respective obligations, both our obligations as wives and our obligations as husbands. Plus, knowledge about maintaining household integrity is very important, anything that can damage

household integrity must be avoided. If the knowledge itself is still shallow, the marriage will not last long."

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with KS (17 years), who is a teenager who married early, stating:

"... I admit that my knowledge as a wife is still very lacking, especially not really understanding how to cook, look after children, and maintain childish behavior when fighting with my husband. Maybe that's why my husband felt bored and chose to end our marriage relationship."

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with TZ (18 years old), who is a teenager who married early, stating:

"... It's true that marriage is a lot of tests. As a husband, I still lack a lot, I can't take care of my husband's feelings, often trivial problems are exaggerated. Not yet able to fully fulfill his responsibilities as a husband. So, for the good of both of us, I think separating is the best way."

Based on the results of interviews with the three informants, it can be understood that a lack of knowledge about marriage can also trigger divorce because married couples who marry early do not know each other's obligations as a couple. Both husbands have not been able to fulfill their obligations as husbands and are often unable to take care of their wives' feelings, so it is not uncommon for them to say harsh things to their wives, and vice versa, wives have not been able to fulfill their obligations both in terms of treating their husbands and in caring for and educating their children.

In line with Talcott Parsons' theory which relates to goal attainment (goal achievement) is the ability to determine and set future goals and make decisions in accordance with these goals. Solving political problems and social goals is part of this need. A system defines and achieves its primary goals. Married couples marry early due to several factors, including some who were pregnant before marriage, so the husband and wife married because of an incident/accident. This will of course be an obstacle to achieving the couple's future goals because it is not in accordance with the main goal. Being forced to marry at a young age means that married couples do not yet have firm boundaries regarding values and norms in interacting outside the home.

6. Problems faced by families of teenagers who marry early after divorce

Of course, everyone will have problems or problems in living their life. Wherever you are, everyone has various problems. A problem is defined as a statement about a situation that is not in accordance with what was expected. Usually a problem is considered as something that must be solved or solved. Or a problem can also be interpreted as something that requires an alternative answer, meaning that there can be more than one answer to the problem to solve the problem.

Marriage does not always bring happiness, especially if the marriage takes place at an early age. Those who don't feel happy will always fight and even divorce. This will be detrimental to both parties and also their respective families, so this will reduce harmony with each

family. As with the findings of researchers in Medan Sinembah Village, it shows that there are new problems faced by families of teenagers who marry early after divorce.

Divorce is the breaking up of the family because one or both partners decide to leave each other so that they stop carrying out their obligations as husband and wife. In this case, divorce is seen as the end of an unstable marriage, where the husband and wife then live separately and are officially recognized by the applicable law. Divorce always has bad consequences for young couples who marry early in Medan Sinembah Village. The research findings show that there are several problems caused by divorce in couples who marry early, including:

a. As a Topic for Community Discussion

Families who decide to divorce will become the topic of discussion among the public. The topic of conversation is defined as the behavior of talking about other people behind their backs, which if the person being talked about hears or knows about it, then that person will not like it. Teenagers who marry early in Medan Sinembah Village and then decide to divorce often become a topic of discussion in the local community because of their failure to build a household at a very early or teenage age and it is not uncommon for feelings of lack of self-confidence to emerge after a divorce in those involved in early marriages in Medan Sinembah Village. This is because they are still very early in age but have the status of widows/widowers amidst the onslaught of their peers and are still free to enjoy freedom, both in terms of education and career. Of course, with

divorce, feelings of lack of self-confidence among teenagers who marry early will increase more than before regarding their decision to choose to marry at an early age.

Based on the results of an interview with SF (18 years old), who is a teenager who married early, stated:

"...Obviously, if we were widows, it would definitely be the topic of people's talk. Moreover, the widows of our models are still young. So these people are afraid, especially if the mothers are afraid that we will tempt their husbands. Even though the reality is not what they think, yes, that's how it is."

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with OY (18 years), who is a teenager who married early, stating:

"... So the topic of conversation is certain. But actually it's nice to be a widower. Because he's still young, there are still lots of people who want it, of course. But it really depends on yourself. "Sometimes, not everyone who has been divorced has completely lost their feelings for their ex-partner, especially if they already have children, right?"

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with SP (18 years old), who is a teenager who married early, stating:

"... If I'm really stupid, I'm going to make fun of it or something. The important thing is that I'm not like those people say. After a while, the people who encourage us will be alone, tired of themselves. "Because you're tired of giving back to people, the person who's being asked to give back just shut up."

Based on the results of interviews with the three informants, it can be understood that divorce cannot solve the problems of married couples who marry underage, on the contrary, divorce can create new problems for teenagers who marry early. According to Safitri, by deciding to divorce, you must be prepared to become a topic of conversation among the people in the area where you live, because of your widow/widower status. Moreover, the status of widow/widower is at an early age.

In line with Talcott Parsons' theory which states that a societal structure that can carry out its functions well while maintaining the values and norms upheld by society will create stability in society itself. The research findings show that divorce that occurs in husband/wife couples who marry underage is considered a problem for the community in the surrounding environment because they are seen as husband/wife couples who cannot carry out their functions properly so this is used as a topic of discussion by the community.

b. Difficulty in Adapting to the Environment

Another impact of divorce carried out by teenagers who marry early in Medan Sinembah Village is the difficulty in adapting to the environment after assuming the status of widow/widower. Adaptation is known as the process of interaction between changes brought about by the environment in organisms. Adaptations like this are necessary so that all forms of life can survive, including humans themselves.

Early married couples who have divorced have to readjust to the environment, because it is not uncommon

for people who are widows/widowers to be considered bad by society so that society always pays attention to every move of early married teenagers who are already widows/widowers. This is done so that their partners are not tempted by teenagers who marry early and are already divorced, especially those who are widows, but are still young and are often labeled by the people of Medan Sinembah Village as "shocked widows". This negative opinion of society is what makes it increasingly difficult for teenagers who marry early to adapt to the environment in which they live.

Based on the results of an interview with SS (17 years), who is a teenager who married early, stated:

"... If you first get a divorce, you will be embarrassed because of your widow status, right? Leaving the house makes me lazy, I want to stay in the house all the time, basically I'm afraid to leave the house. That's the feeling that if people meet us, they will talk about it like that, right?"

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with AM (18 years old), who is a teenager who married early, stated

"... Divorce is not easy, after divorce we will find it difficult to get to know and accept new people into our lives, because of what? Because of the feeling of fear of failure in building a household for the umpteenth time. Actually, it's easy to find a new partner because you're still young. Maybe not at the moment, I think, because I still can't open my heart."

Based on the results of an interview with IN (18 years old), who is a teenager who married early, stated:

"...Yes, as I said earlier, if we become the topic of people's talk, we will definitely be lazy about leaving the house. So you close yourself more to the environment. "Because we're afraid that if we often see the husbands of the ladies here, they're tempted by what they've been tempted to do."

Based on the results of interviews with the three informants, it can be understood that another problem that arises after husband/wife couples who marry early in Medan Sinembah Village divorce is that they experience difficulties in adapting to the environment because of the feeling of shame they feel because they are still young but have the status of widow/widower.

In line with the theory put forward by Talcott Parsons, that in order for a system to survive, there must be a function, such as adaptation, which is the ability of society to interact with the existing environment and environment. A system must cope with critical external situations. The system must adapt to the environment and adapt that environment to its needs. After a divorce occurred among early marriage perpetrators in Medan Sinembah Village, early marriage perpetrators found it difficult to adapt to their surroundings because they felt embarrassed about being a widow/widower at such a young age.

c. Breaking of Friendship with Ex-Husband/Wife's Family

Another impact of divorce that occurs in couples who marry at an early age in Medan Sinembah Village is the

severance of friendly relations with the ex-husband's/wife's family. Friendship is doing good to close relatives who are in a marriage relationship, loving them, being gentle, and always paying attention to their situation." The family relationship of teenagers who married early after a divorce occurred because of feelings of hurt by one of the parties involved in the marriage. early, where divorce occurs due to quarrels, infidelity resulting in mutual disgrace to each other which in the end informs each party in the family which causes the family to feel hurt.

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with MI (47 years old), who is a parent of a teenager who married early, stating:

"... Most parents divorce when their children are already married. Certainly communication has also been cut off with his child's ex-husband/wife. Unless you already have grandchildren, at most if the communication is just to meet the grandchildren. If you don't have grandchildren, then communication will really break down and there won't be any more."

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with SY (18 years old), who is a teenager who married early, stating:

"... If you're already divorced, what's the point of having a relationship? Right, even if you're in a relationship, if you break up, you'll hate them and won't say hello, so also if you're divorced, a husband/wife couple will be reluctant to meet their ex. "Even if there are children, they will definitely object to being given a meeting with their father."

This opinion is supported by the results of an interview with TR (18 years old), who is a teenager who married early, stating:

"...Actually, I'm someone who finds it difficult to move on, but if you divorce because you're hurt, you'll forget quickly because all that's left is feelings of hatred. If I have any household problems, I always tell my family. So, if I divorce and no longer want to communicate with my ex-wife, my family will also join in not wanting to communicate with my ex-wife."

Based on the results of interviews with the three informants, it can be understood that another problem that arises when husband/wife couples who marry underage divorce is that the relationship between the families of the two parties concerned is broken because of the reluctance to communicate after the divorce occurs. It is possible for divorced husband/wife couples to communicate solely to meet their children.

In line with the theory put forward by Talcott Parsons, that in order for a system to survive, it must have a function, such as integration, which is the harmony of all members of a social system after a mutual agreement has been reached regarding the values or norms of society. This is the role of these values as an integrator of a social system. A system must regulate the relationships between the parts that are its components. The system must also manage the relationships between the other three functions. Society must regulate the relationships between its components so that it can function optimally. After a divorce occurred between a husband/wife

couple who married underage in Medan Sinembah Village, the entire family was unable to carry out their respective functions, and on the contrary, the relationship between the two parties was severed.

Discussion

1. Early Marriage Impacts Divorce Rates

A person who has entered into a physical and spiritual bond between a man and a woman as husband and wife with the aim of forming a family, whether done legally or according to custom/belief, can also be said to be married. If a marriage is carried out by someone who is relatively young then it can be said to be an early marriage. The relatively young age referred to is the age of puberty, namely between 17-18 years. So, a teenager between the ages of 17-18 years who has entered into a physical and spiritual bond as husband and wife with the aim of forming a family is said to have an early marriage or young marriage.

Marriage will be stable if there is minimal disruption and the functioning of the institution of marriage itself in developing individual potential (Al-Sadlan & Al-Munajjid, 2005). According to him, there are seven areas that are considered functional areas in a stable marriage: First, Marital Role, namely the ability of two individuals (adults) to need each other, create togetherness, support, satisfy sexual needs and intellectual stimulus in a marital relationship. Second, Parental Role is an individual's ability as a partner to provide for the daily growth and development needs of their children.

Third, Chores, namely the ability to manage daily activities and distribute household tasks. Fourth, Finance is

defined as the ability to manage financial income and expenditure in ways that can satisfy both parties in the context of care, education, recreation and future needs. Fifth, sex is an experience of sexual relations that can be mutually satisfying, and can teach children sexual education according to their age. Sixth, Communication, namely the ability to manage communication where both parties are aware of each other's needs. Seventh, Boundaries means being able to sort and differentiate flexibly between priorities for the nuclear family, extended family and community communication.

Researchers' findings show that early marriage or underage marriage can increase the incidence of divorce in Medan Sinembah Village, Tanjung Morawa District. Divorce is a culmination or bad event, and can occur when a husband and wife can no longer find a solution to a problem that can satisfy both parties, it becomes an interpersonal relationship which means the same as a relationship with another person, there is nothing different and not there is something special delivered.

The researchers' findings regarding early marriage can increase divorce in Medan Sinembah Village, Tanjung Morawa District, in line with Parsons' functional structural theory. Talcott Parsons' main idea is known as the structural functionalism theory. This approach views society as a functionally integrated system in the form of balance. This structural functionalism approach comes from a perspective that equates society with biological organisms. This view is the influence of the views of Herbert Spencer and Auguste Comte who stated that there is interdependence

between a body organ and our other body organs, and this is considered the same condition as a company (Sulistiawati et al., 2022).

Talcott Parsons later developed his thinking that society should be seen as a system of interdependent parts. So the relationship of influence between parts is reciprocal. Even though social integration can never be achieved perfectly, social systems basically always tend towards dynamic balance. Despite tensions, dysfunction and abuse, social systems are still on their way to integration. Changes in social systems occur gradually through adaptation and do not occur revolutionarily. The most important factor in the integration of a social system is agreement among members of that society (Sulistiawati et al., 2022).

The researchers' findings show that the lack of balance that occurs in husband/wife couples who marry underage is proven by the fact that each system (husband/wife) is unable to maintain the stability or integrity of the household or household harmony, which ultimately leads to divorce. According to Parsons, in order to survive a system must consist of 4 functions, namely:

First, adaptation (adaptation) is the ability of society to interact with the existing environment and the environment. A system must cope with critical external situations. The system must adapt to the environment and adapt that environment to its needs. Talcott Parsons' theory statement relating to adaptation is in line with researchers' findings regarding the mental unpreparedness of married couples who marry early which can increase divorce, where the research findings show that

married couples who marry early as a family system are unable to adapt to each other so that this has an effect. due to her mental unpreparedness in accepting her status as a wife or husband.

Second, Goal attainment is the ability to determine and set future goals and make decisions in accordance with these goals. Solving political problems and social goals is part of this need. A system defines and achieves its primary goals. In line with researchers' findings which show that husband and wife couples marry early due to several factors, including some who were pregnant before marriage, so the husband and wife married because of an incident/accident. This will of course be an obstacle to achieving the couple's future goals because it is not in accordance with the main goal. Being forced to marry at a young age resulted in the husband and wife lacking knowledge in marriage because they had no desire to get married beforehand. Their knowledge was very shallow and was supported by the absence of pre-marital training at the KUA due to unregistered marriages. Lack of knowledge in marriage ends in divorce because husband and wife couples who marry early cannot carry out their respective functions as husband and wife.

Third, integration is the harmony of all members of a social system after a mutual agreement has been reached regarding the values or norms of society. This is the role of these values as an integrator of a social system. A system must regulate the relationships between the parts that are its components. The system must also manage the relationships between the other three functions. Society must regulate the relationships between its components so

that it can function optimally. In line with the findings of researchers which show that married couples who marry early are not in harmony because one of the parties, namely the husband, is unable to support his family because he does not have a permanent job and often only depends on his parents to help with the economic needs of his household by working at a place of business such as a shop owned by parents, apart from that there is also a husband who works as a fisherman. This is what triggers the husband to be said to not be able to function optimally so that the mutual agreement in the household to be responsible for each other's obligations is not achieved and this leads to divorce.

Researchers' findings show that there is a lack of harmony also between married couples who marry early so that a third person manages to enter their household and in the end one of the married couples cheats. Married couples who marry early cannot manage their household relations well, so in this case they cannot function optimally.

Fourth, Latency (pattern maintenance) is the maintenance of models, in this case certain social values such as culture and language. A system must equip, maintain and improve both individual motivation and the cultural patterns that create and sustain motivation (Turama, 2018). In line with the findings of researchers which show that the relationship between husband and wife who marry early ends in divorce due to cultural patterns that are still carried over when they are single, namely habits that still think childishly or unstable so they cannot maintain a household well. The unstable thinking of husband and wife couples who marry early often triggers

arguments or quarrels just because of small problems.

In line with research by Thayyib (2020), the results of the research show that in general there is a factor in the emergence of problems in the households of residents who marry at an early age in Larangan Perreng Village, Pragaan District, Sumenep Regency, namely the emergence of childishness, namely in starting a new family in the middle of the journey. In their household, behavior appears that does not indicate that they are married, so they feel normal with their childish nature.

Structural requirements that must be met by a family in order to function according to Levy include: First, role differentiation, namely the allocation of roles or tasks and activities that must be carried out by all family members. The division of role differentiation can be divided based on age, gender, generation, economic and political status of each family member. In line with this statement, the researchers' findings show that husbands/partners of early marriages cannot play a good role as head of the family because it is proven by their mental unpreparedness in building a household, and not being able to support the family, which results in the integrity of the household not being well maintained.

Second, solidarity allocation which concerns the distribution of relations between family members. Distribution of solidarity within family members of love, strength and intensity in relationships. The relationship between members can be described by the love and satisfaction of family members. The researchers' findings show that there is no solidarity between husbands and wives who marry

underage because it is proven by their unstable way of thinking or solving family problems using emotions. Third, economic allocation which concerns the distribution of goods and services between family members to achieve family goals. Distribution of these goods and services to obtain the desired results. Task differentiation in this case can be seen in terms of production, distribution and consumption of goods and services within the family.

Structural-functional theory assumes that a family consists of parts that influence each other. The ability of the family structure to function effectively in a nuclear family consisting of a man as breadwinner and a woman as a housewife to meet the needs of members and the new industrial economy.

The functional structural theory approach functions in analyzing the role of the family so that it can function well, this aims to maintain the integrity of the family and society. Individuals who are components of a social structure are not seen from a biological perspective, but seen from the person who occupies a position, or status, in that social structure (Marzali, 2018). Humans as biological organisms are not a concern in social science, but what is of concern in social science is social status.

1. Problems experienced by families of early marriage perpetrators after divorce

Family is an inseparable part of family life, being the first place a person starts his life. The family forms a very close relationship between father, mother and children. This relationship occurs where family members interact with each

other. This interaction creates a closeness that exists within the family. Under normal circumstances, the first environment that children come into contact with are their parents, siblings and perhaps close relatives who live in the same house. It is through the environment that children begin to get to know the world around them and the social patterns of daily life. It is through this environment that children experience the initial socialization process.

To form a family in accordance with sharia, the State sets an age limit for marriage. Law No. 16 of 2019 emphasizes that for those who wish to marry under age, it is stated in article 7 paragraph (1) that the minimum age limit for marriage has been equalized to 19 years. From this article, if it is related to a social phenomenon that is present in society in family life, such as economic problems and meeting needs, it is a very complex problem experienced by almost every human being, not only a matter of welfare, but this is also related to mandatory law. providing a living and in principle, the main obligation in a household for a husband is to meet the needs of his wife and children, the needs in question being clothing, food and shelter.

The researchers' findings show that married couples who decide to marry underage in Medan Sinembah Village are unable to face challenges in the household, so that their household cannot be saved and ends in divorce. There are many things that can be used as reasons for married couples to divorce, especially married couples who marry underage who tend not to be able to face the challenges of marriage, so divorce becomes a last resort and cannot be avoided. However, divorce cannot always solve various problems in marriage. Often divorce can actually cause new problems and make

the families involved uncomfortable and unhappy.

In line with Parsons' functional structural theory which states that society will be in a state of harmony and balance if the institutions/or institutions that exist in society and the state are able to maintain stability in that society. A societal structure that can carry out its functions well while maintaining the values and norms upheld by society will create stability in society itself (Craib, 1986, p. 58). The research findings show that divorce that occurs in husband/wife couples who marry underage is considered a problem for the community in the surrounding environment because they are seen as husband/wife couples who cannot carry out their functions properly so this is used as a topic of discussion by the community.

According to Parsons, in order for a system to survive, it must consist of 4 functions, namely: First, Adaptation (adaptation) is the ability of society to interact with the existing environment and environment. A system must cope with critical external situations. The system must adapt to the environment and adapt that environment to its needs. After a divorce occurred among early marriage perpetrators in Medan Sinembah Village, early marriage perpetrators found it difficult to adapt to their surroundings because they felt embarrassed about being a widow/widower at such a young age.

In line with Zulmikarnain's (2019) research, the results show that the social impact that occurs as a result of young marriage due to pregnancy out of wedlock in Benua Baru Village is that large families receive disrespectful treatment from the surrounding community, are ostracized by residents and those who carry out marriages

usually feel embarrassed and embarrassed. less socializing with residents.

Second, Goal attainment is the ability to determine and set future goals and make decisions in accordance with these goals. Solving political problems and social goals is part of this need. A system defines and achieves its primary goals. Divorces that occur in husband/wife couples who marry underage prove that failure to maintain the integrity of the household is an unattainable goal.

Third, integration is the harmony of all members of a social system after a mutual agreement has been reached regarding the values or norms of society. This is the role of these values as an integrator of a social system. A system must regulate the relationships between the parts that are its components. The system must also manage the relationships between the other three functions. Society must regulate the relationships between its components so that it can function optimally. After a divorce occurred between a husband/wife couple who married underage in Medan Sinembah Village, the entire family was unable to carry out their respective functions, and on the contrary, the relationship between the two parties was severed.

Fourth, Latency (pattern maintenance) is the maintenance of models, in this case certain social values such as culture and language. A system must equip, maintain and improve both individual motivation and the cultural patterns that create and sustain motivation (Turama, 2020). Perpetrators of early marriage in Medan Sinembah Village cannot maintain the pattern well in the sense of not being able to maintain the integrity of the household, which leads to divorce. After the divorce occurs, there is no aim of repairing it, on the

contrary, the relationship between the two parties is broken.

PENUTUP

Based on the objectives of this research with the title early marriage and household vulnerability (case study in Medan Sinembah, Tanjung Morawa District, Deli Serdang Regency), the following conclusions are obtained, namely:

Early marriage has an impact on the divorce rate in Medan Sinembah Village due to several things, including the mental unpreparedness of married couples who marry at an early age in building a household, the husband is unable to support his wife because he does not have a permanent job and only depends on his parents to meet the family's needs. , the thinking of both married couples who commit early marriages is still unstable so that solving household problems often involves emotions which ultimately lead to divorce, infidelity, and do not have firm boundaries regarding values and norms in interacting outside the home.

Divorce that occurs among early marriage perpetrators in Medan Sinembah Village can cause several problems for the families and individuals of the early marriage perpetrators themselves. These problems include being a topic of public discussion because they are still teenagers but have the status of widows/widowers, difficulty adapting to the environment, and the breakdown of friendly relations between the families of ex-husbands/wives.

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