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ABSTRACT

The job as a fisherman is one of the famous job in the east coast state in Malaysia such as Terengganu because it is located near to the coastal area. Marang is one of the districts which have a quit large number of people who working as a fishermen. But there are some problems faced by the fishermen such as having low income, problem in the assistance provided by the government and so on. The overall objective of the study was to identify and analyse the socio-economic profile of fishermen in Marang, Terengganu. To attain this, a few secondary objectives were taken which include: (1) to identify and analyse the factors that could affect the total household income of the fishermen, (2) to explore and analyse the living condition of the fishermen and infrastructure facilities provided in their area, and (3) to make some policy recommendations that can improve the socio-economic profile of those fishermen. This study conducted a survey among the people in Marang and collected primary data by interviewing 120 fishermen using a set of structured questionnaire. The study used multiple linear regression model and some other descriptive analysis to come up with empirical findings. The study, however, found that the independent factors such as education of the respondent, income of the respondent as a fisherman, income from other source or economic activities, income receive from other family member and experience of the respondent are significantly affecting the dependent variable which is monthly total household income. The study revealed that the total household income of fishermen is important in determining their socioeconomic profile. There are some policies such as Fishermen Entrepreneur Development Programme; Fishermen Income Improvement Programme and so on are recommended to improve the fishermen income and also their socioeconomic profile.

ABSTRAK

Pekerjaan sebagai nelayan merupakan satu perkerjaan yang utama di Pantai Timur Malaysia, contohnya seperti Negeri Terengganu. Daerah marang merupakan salah satu kawasan yang mempunyai ramai penduduk yang bekerja sebagai nelayan. Tetapi terdapat beberapa masalah yang dihadapi oleh nelayan seperti tingkat pendapatan yang rendah, masalah dalam peruntukan yang diberikan oleh kerajaan, dan sebagainya. Objektif utama kajian ini adalah untuk mengenal pasti dan menganalisis profil sosioekonomi nelayan - nelayan di Marang, Terengganu. Bagi mencapai objektif ini, beberapa objektif sekunder telah diambil iaitu: (1) bagi mengenal pasti dan menganalisis faktor yang boleh menjejaskan jumlah pendapatan isirumah para nelayan, (2) bagi meneroka dan menganalisis keadaan hidup para nelayan dan kemudahan infrastruktur yang disediakan di kawasan mereka, dan (3) untuk membuat cadangan dasar yang boleh memperbaiki profil sosioekonomi nelayan-nelayan di Marang, Terengganu. Kajian ini telah dijalankan di kalangan penduduk di Marang dan mengutip data primer dengan menemu ramah seramai 120 nelayan dengan menggunakan satu set soal selidik yang telah dibentuk. Kajian itu menggunakan model regresi linear berbilang dan sebahagian analisis deskriptif yang berkaitan untuk mengemukakan penemuan empirikal. Melalui kajian ini, didapati bahawa pembolehubah bebas seperti tahap pendidikan responden, pendapatan responden sebagai nelayan, pendapatan daripada sumber atau aktiviti-aktiviti ekonomi lain, penerimaan sumbangan daripada ahli keluarga lain dan pengalaman responden mempengaruhi pembolehubah bersandar iaitu jumlah pendapatan bulanan isirumah. Melalui kajian ini, didapati bahawa jumlah pendapatan isirumah nelayan dapat menentukan profil sosioekonomi nelayan. Beberapa polisi telah dicadangkan seperti Skim Pembangunan Kesejahteraan Rakyat, Program Peningkatan Pendapatan Nelayan dan lain-lain lagi untuk meningkatkan pendapatan dan juga tahap sosio ekonomi nelayan.