



## Efforts to Handle the Increase in Togel Gambling Users During a Pandemic Judging from Law No. 7 of 1974

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### Abstract

*Lottery gambling is a crime that is troubling the community and the impact is so large on the survival of the community. The purpose of this research 1. How is the police in the process of handling lottery gambling in the city of Ambon. 2. What are the factors that influence the increase in lottery gambling in Ambon City. 3. What is the role of the police in dealing with lottery gambling in Ambon City? This study uses a qualitative approach and data collection techniques in this study using observation, interviews and using qualitative descriptive data analysis techniques. The results of this study indicate that, the efforts to handle lottery gambling in Ambon City by the police have been carried out well, but the approach to the community has not been maximized.*

**Keywords:** *handling lottery gambling; Law No. 7 of 1974.*

### A. Introduction

Gambling is a criminal problem that often occurs and is taken seriously in its handling. Gambling is also a societal disease that has undermined the morality of generations of nations and affects the nation's future. As one of the diseases of society, it is necessary to handle and take appropriate efforts to break the chain of diseases that have not been cured for a long time. With various forms of gambling that have become so widespread in the community, especially in the mardika market, both openly and secretly, some people have tended to be permissive and seem to view gambling as something natural, so there is no need to is still being questioned and what is happening in various places today, especially in Ambon City, there are many cases of gambling among the people.

White Coupon Gambling, which is also known as lottery gambling (dark full-bloodedness), has now touched all walks of life, starting from students, students, the lower middle class and even the upper middle class in Ambon City, therefore, the author is very interested in bringing up the title. Efforts to handle the increase in lottery gambling users during the pandemic are reviewed from Law No. 7 of 1974.

People who play lottery because of a lack of understanding of the dangers of lottery, so playing lottery is still a natural thing for both mandar and users. Or also because curiosity and trying new things with a lack of education has caused one of the factors to increase lottery gambling in the community. And it turns out, it may be because of other factors that lottery gambling still exists, one of which is the development of technology, people can become dealers, placing numbers by number only with smartphone without having to go to the city. Or other things from the perspective of the community, where there is a lack of sensitivity in working together

to play the same role as a pillar in eradicating this lottery gambling. And another factor is about how much of a deterrent effect experienced by the perpetrators,

(Sudiharto, 2005:14) examines hidden legal gambling practices in Indonesia and the causes of someone gambling. From the results of his research, he concluded that gambling which is rampant in the community is one of the most minimal mechanisms for survival. People gamble because jobs are difficult to find, so people who are hit by economic problems due to rising prices of necessities prefer to gamble to fulfill their economic needs. Most of these gamblers are people with low education. We can observe this from gambling places that are crowded with people. On average, those who put their tails on, play dice, roulette or card gambling are thugs, small traders, drivers, motorcycle taxi drivers, laborers or low-ranking guards. (Haryanto., 2003: 43) One of the variations of gambling in Indonesia is lottery, lottery gambling is a type of gambling in the form of a lottery or lottery numbers purchased from agents, which in the end the number that matches the draw is the winner and is entitled to some prizes in the form of money in accordance with the provisions of the rules play lottery. Along with the development of technology and information, gambling activities have also experienced a transition to online gambling which is more practical and safer to do. The phenomenon of online gambling that is now rife is the online lottery which is found in the midst of society. Only with a smartphone with supporting facilities or supporting applications for playing lottery gambling can carry out these activities. (Asrul Aziz: 2012:2) lottery gambling is a type of gambling in the form of a lottery or lottery numbers purchased from agents, which in the end the appropriate number at the time of the draw is the winner and is entitled to several prizes in the form of money in accordance with the provisions of the rules of playing lottery. Along with the development of technology and information, gambling activities have also experienced a transition to online gambling which is more practical and safer to do. The phenomenon of online gambling that is now rife is the online lottery which is found in the community. Only with a smartphone with supporting facilities or supporting applications for playing lottery gambling can carry out these activities. (Asrul Aziz: 2012:2) lottery gambling is a type of gambling in the form of a lottery or lottery number purchased from an agent, which in the end the appropriate number at the time of the draw is the winner and is entitled to several prizes in the form of money in accordance with the provisions of the rules of playing lottery. Along with the development of technology and information, gambling activities have also experienced a transition to online gambling which is more practical and safer to do. The phenomenon of online gambling that is now rife is the online lottery which is found in the community. Only with a smartphone with supporting facilities or supporting applications for playing lottery gambling can carry out these activities. (Asrul Aziz: 2012:2) in the end the number that matches the draw is the winner and is entitled to some prizes in the form of money in accordance with the provisions of the rules of playing lottery. Along with the development of technology and information, gambling activities have also experienced a transition to online gambling which is more practical and safer to do. The phenomenon of online gambling that is now rife is the online lottery that is found in the community. Only with a smartphone with supporting facilities or supporting applications for playing lottery gambling can carry out these activities. (Asrul Aziz:

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The purpose of this research is to become a reference for the police in handling lottery gambling in Ambon City, by knowing the faults and that is where things must be corrected so that the lottery gambling problem in Ambon City can be overcome. The importance of this research is because the research subject involves elements of the police as law enforcers and elements of the community as actors and as control agents in their environment with the hope that the ultimate goal is synergy between all elements of the nation in eliminating the problem of lottery gambling in the minds of people who have been exposed to the disease.

## **B. Literature review**

The book written by Bawengan, GW (1991). About Introduction to Criminal Psychology which discusses the psychology of people who commit crimes, basically crime is an act that is contrary to the norm and then harms other communities, as well as gambling, which psychologically the perpetrator is a good thing for him but unconsciously his psychology is being disturbed because on the basis of actions that violate the applicable rules. Besides that, we can't deny that our country, Indonesia, has actually been gambling since ancient times has become a habit that is pervasive, this is in line with the book written by Haryanto. (2003). Indonesia is the land of gambling. And the act of gambling, in this case lottery gambling, has indirectly violated the rules and norms that exist in society as well as the book written by Lamintang, PA. (1990). Special Offenses for Criminal Acts Violating the Norms

## **C. Research methods**

This study uses a qualitative approach and data collection techniques in this study using observation, interviews and using qualitative descriptive data analysis techniques. Among them are Data Reduction. At this stage, researchers begin to reduce data or summarize, sort, and select data. The data collected began to be reduced, identified, then classified. Presentation of Data (Data Display) After reducing the data,

the next step is the presentation of the data. Presentation of data in qualitative research can be done in the form of a short description or presenting data in the form of a narrative text. Verification or Drawing Conclusions At this stage, researchers draw conclusions. Initial conclusions are tentative, doubtful and can change if valid and supporting evidence is found at the data collection stage. The conclusions used in this study must be supported by valid and consistent data, so that the conclusions used are new findings that are credible to answer the formulation of the problem formulated in this study.

#### **D. Results and Discussion**

##### **1. The police are in the process of handling lottery gambling in Ambon City.**

From the results of interviews with several respondents about the process of handling lottery gambling by the police in Ambon city related to the impact of lottery gambling itself in accordance with Greenson's opinion (Bawengan, 1991: 31) Gambling sometimes makes people do things that are criminal in nature such as stealing or stealing. take actions that violate the law in order to support the costs of playing gambling. Criminal acts to meet the financial burden as a result of gambling are also carried out by one of the subjects, it is done repeatedly. This type is included in the habitual criminal, which is a crime that is carried out repeatedly without thinking about the impact. In addition, gambling can damage household relationships which can be messy because husband and wife who like to play gambling. Regarding the legal aspect, gambling is a form of behavior or action that violates the norms or rules of customs, religion and of course legal norms. The social reaction to gambling is quite strong, not only from religious circles but also from community organizations and other groups who care about this gambling problem. (Mulyana W Kusuma 1988:55).

From the two opinions above, it is clear that efforts in handling lottery gambling are carried out by the police in dealing with criminal acts that violate the law. As a result of this lottery gambling he destroys the norms of goodness. Thus, the efforts made by the police are in accordance with the rules in accordance with Article 13 of Law Number 2 of 2002 concerning the State Police of the Republic of Indonesia which is made in the State Gazette. The main task of the police. a. Maintaining public order and security. b. Enforce the law c. Provide protection, protection and service to the community.

In the process of handling lottery gambling in the city of Ambon, the researchers concluded that the process of handling lottery gambling is based on the law in force by the police. The process of handling lottery gambling by the police began with a report from the community which was then followed up by the police by starting an investigation and investigation. with such a large negative impact on society, the handling process must also be so serious and so strict according to procedures and in accordance with applicable law. Because the police will act whenever there is an act that violates the law. So in this context lottery gambling is part of a criminal crime and as a disease of society requires the police to work hard in eradicating it. Not only that, in the process of handling all elements of society also contribute to assisting the police, because of the success in eradicating lottery gambling it is important that all elements are responsible for prevention and handling, the community as pians in the social environment are at the forefront of providing information aka lottery gambling crimes

by reporting there are indications of criminal crime, apart from that community leaders, religious leaders, and youth leaders also have a role in the process of handling this lottery gambling by providing enlightenment and asking and shaping the community to be sensitive to various problems that occur in society. This is because the handling process will be synchronized if all elements participate and work together according to their respective roles. because of the success in eradicating lottery gambling, it is important that all elements are responsible for prevention and handling, the community as members in the social environment are at the forefront of providing information aka lottery gambling crimes by reporting indications of criminal crimes, apart from that community leaders, public figures Religion, and youth leaders also have a role in the process of handling this lottery gambling in the form of providing enlightenment and persuading and shaping the community to be sensitive to various problems that occur in society. This is because the handling process will be synchronized if all elements participate and work together according to their respective roles. because of the success in eradicating lottery gambling, it is important that all elements are responsible for prevention and handling, the community as members in the social environment are at the forefront of providing information aka lottery gambling crimes by reporting indications of criminal crimes, apart from that community leaders, public figures Religion, and youth leaders also have a role in the process of handling this lottery gambling in the form of providing enlightenment and persuading and shaping the community to be sensitive to various problems that occur in society. This is because the handling process will be synchronized if all elements participate and work together according to their respective roles. the community as a pian who is in the social environment becomes the front line in providing information aka the crime of lottery gambling by reporting indications of criminal crime, apart from that community leaders, religious leaders, and youth leaders also have a role in the process of handling this lottery gambling in the form of providing enlightenment and demand and shape the community to be sensitive to various problems that occur in society. This is because the handling process will be synchronized if all elements participate and work together according to their respective roles. the community as a pian who is in the social environment becomes the front line in providing information aka the crime of lottery gambling by reporting indications of criminal crime, apart from that community leaders, religious leaders, and youth leaders also have a role in the process of handling this lottery gambling in the form of providing enlightenment and demand and shape the community to be sensitive to various problems that occur in society. This is because the handling process will be synchronized if all elements participate and work together according to their respective roles. and youth leaders also have a role in the process of handling this lottery gambling in the form of providing enlightenment and requesting and shaping the community to be sensitive to various problems that occur in society. This is because the handling process will be synchronized if all elements participate and work together according to their respective roles. and youth leaders also have a role in the process of handling this lottery gambling in the form of providing enlightenment and requesting and shaping the community to be sensitive to various problems that occur in society. This is because



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Law Number 7 of 1947 concerning Gambling Management. Article 1 states that all gambling crimes are crimes. Article 2. a. Change the threat of punishment in Article 303 paragraph (1) of the Criminal Code, from a maximum imprisonment of two years and eight months or a maximum fine of ninety thousand rupiahs to a maximum imprisonment of ten years or a maximum fine of twenty five million rupiah. b. Change the threat of punishment in Article 542 paragraph (1) of the Criminal Code, from a maximum imprisonment of one month or a maximum fine of four 35 thousand five hundred rupiah, to a maximum imprisonment of four years or a maximum fine of ten million rupiah. c. Amend the threat of punishment in Article 542 paragraph (2) of the Criminal Code, from a maximum imprisonment of three months or a maximum fine of seven thousand five hundred rupiahs to a maximum imprisonment of six years or a maximum fine of fifteen million rupiahs. d. Changed the designation of Article 542 to Article 303 bis. 2. Article 303 of the Criminal Code concerning the Crime of Gambling Article 303 1) Threatened with a maximum imprisonment of ten years or a maximum fine of twenty five million rupiahs,

## **2. Factors influencing the increase in lottery gambling in Ambon city**

From the results of interviews with several respondents that I conducted at the Ambon Island Police Station and Pulau Lease and then some responses from the community who are active in the Mardikan market, the factors that influence the increase in lottery gambling in Ambon City are in accordance with the opinion (Sudiharto, 2005:14). ) examines the practice of hidden legal gambling in Indonesia and the reasons why someone gambles. From the results of his research, he concluded that gambling which is rampant in the community is one of the most minimal mechanisms for survival. People gamble because jobs are difficult to find, so people who are hit by economic problems due to rising prices of necessities prefer to gamble to fulfill their economic needs.

Most of these gamblers are people with low education. We can observe this from gambling places that are crowded with people. On average, those who put up their tails, play dice, roulette or card gambling are thugs, small traders, drivers, motorcycle taxi drivers, laborers or lowly bodyguards. (Haryanto., 2003:43)

Because of their low education, it causes them to think pragmatically and simply, that is, they only think that if I get two or three numbers I will get a few million rupiahs, but don't or rarely think about how much money I have bet on the gambling table, and what percentage of people who broke than those who lost. They also rarely think about the chances of victory and defeat, what they think about is victory, victory and victory.

Research data shows that most of the tail lottery and small gamblers are not from the haves group, but consist of poor people, employees and workers / laborers with small salaries, kentengan traders, pedicab drivers, and hopeless porters. Very little income and barely enough to support their family members, coupled with the economic depression, left them hopeless and often desperate. Then a mental leap took place in the habitual pattern of speculative luck by gambling, placing bets, placing guesses and buying the lottery with the hope of getting a little profit and additional spending money. (Kartono, 2005:86)

As mentioned by the informants in the research conducted by Ayu Mircahya, they also feel the same way about lottery gambling, by not blaming religious prohibitions on gambling. They know that gambling is forbidden, but still do it to make ends meet, because gambling breeds hopes. The hope in question is the results obtained from gambling itself, namely money from winnings that are used to improve the economy or or just want a win because the money rewards are multiplied. (Mircahya, 2013)

People play lottery. Or in other words, due to a lack of public understanding of the dangers of lottery, playing lottery is still a natural thing for both mandar and users. Or also because of curiosity and trying new things with a lack of education causing one of the factors to increase lottery gambling in society. , put up numbers by numbers only with a smartphone without having to go to the city. Or other things from the perspective of the community, where there is a lack of sensitivity in working together to play the same role as a pillar in eradicating this lottery gambling. And another factor is about how much of a deterrent effect experienced by the perpetrators,

### **3. The role of the police in dealing with lottery gambling in Ambon City**

The role of the police is clearly regulated in 1. Article 2 of Law no. 2 of 2002 the functions of the Police are: "one of the functions of the state government in the field of maintaining security and public order, law enforcement, protection, shelter, and service to the community". Which then according to Barda Nawawi Arief, (2005: 5) that the Police in carrying out their duties have a dual role both as law enforcers (in the field of criminal justice) and as social workers (social workers) in social and community aspects (service and dedication). Furthermore, universally, the function of the police agency includes two things, namely the maintenance of security and order (peace & order maintenance) in law enforcement (law enforcement). , and repressive. Such an effort, of course, starts with prevention, then the next effort is of course to close the community's space in this case to minimize the possibility of people playing lottery, and the next is an effort that is a legal process or provides sanctions to parties proven to have committed a crime.

Regarding the dangers of gambling behavior which is not only harmful personally but also harms various elements of social life. Next is the police effort in preventive efforts, this effort is in nature in controlling the community with the aim of minimizing community actions in carrying out lottery gambling. , with the aim that gambling behavior in the community can be minimized by the proximity of the police to the community as protectors of the community itself. And finally, the role of the police, which is repressive in nature, this effort is to freeze the perpetrators of the crime of lottery gambling by giving sanctions to the perpetrators of gambling.

## **E. Conclusion**

1. Thus it can be concluded that the police in the process of handling lottery gambling in the city of Ambon is very important where gambling is a criminal act and is referred to as a crime and disturbing the community, then of course the process of handling lottery gambling is something that must be considered by the parties. the police as law enforcement officers. And the police are very serious in handling this case, it can be seen that most of the lottery gambling cases are in the legal process until the trial stage and get sanctions and fines for the

perpetrators. The police are a state instrument whose function is to maintain order in society, so the process of handling lottery gambling in Ambon City is an effort to maintain order by enforcing the law in accordance with Law No. 7 of 1974 concerning controlling gambling.

2. Thus, it can also be concluded that the factors that influence the situation also support this, the pandemic has an impact on people's lives ranging from income for traders who do not meet their needs, inadequate employment opportunities, and layoffs for the rush, causing lottery gambling to become a major problem. alternative to the problem. Not only the legal awareness factor is also a supporter of lottery gambling, which still exists, then technology is misused, so even sista can become dealers and users. People who are not sensitive and do not report this crime make lottery actors still wandering around.
3. Thus, it can be concluded that the role of the police in dealing with lottery gambling in Ambon City has also received a positive response from the community, the efforts made by the police that are enlightening, preventing and legal processes are an effort to break the chain of criminal crimes in society. Therefore, this is not only the role of the police in protecting people's lives, but the community must also participate in maintaining order with the police.

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