

## Political Orientation of Women Legislative Candidates in the 2019 Election: A Case Study of Elected Women Legislative Members of Padang City

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### Abstract

The purpose of this study is to analyze the political orientation of 6 female legislative candidates who were elected in the 2019 election in Padang City using the political orientation theory by Almond & Verba which consists of cognitive political orientation, affective orientation, and evaluative orientation. This research is a qualitative research with data collection through direct interviews with female legislators in the city of Padang. Cognitive political orientation in which female legislators of the city of Padang conveyed the importance of the political parties that nominate, this was proven by several female legislators of the city of Padang. The number of female legislative members of the City is 6 people, in political orientation there are several ways that the female legislators of the City of Padang have. Affective political orientation is a feeling towards the political system, its roles, actors and appearances that make a person accept or reject a political system. The political orientation of the female legislators of the City of Padang is how to believe in the community that we are able to convey the aspirations of the community and can solve the problems that the community complains about. Evaluative political orientation Decisions and opinions about political objects that typically involve a combination of value standards and criteria with information and feelings. Affective orientation talks about women's feelings towards political aspects. While the evaluative component talks about the assessment of the political system and its parts. From the results of interviews with researchers, in general, the 6 female legislative members of Padang City who were elected had 3 political orientations, namely cognitive, affective, and evaluative. The tendency of affective orientation is reflected in statements of liking or disliking that say or show women's political parties based on the fulfillment of only 30% quotas. The tendency of evaluative orientation is the ability to evaluate the process that is being implemented, namely the election process and the process as a member of the legislature.

**Keywords:** *Political Orientation, Legislative Members, Women.*

## **A. INTRODUCTION**

Political orientation has become an interesting issue to always be discussed. The political orientation of women is divided into two aspects, namely in a narrow sense and in a broad sense. In a narrow sense in the form of being active in practical politics and being active in all its activities, while in a broad sense it is in the form of active participation in activities that have an impact on the wider community, having the ability, opportunity and power, in making decisions that are fundamental to something that concerns people's lives. a lot (Tan 1992:1).

One of the interesting political orientations to study is the political orientation of female legislators in Padang City. Women in the legislature are not only important from the aspect of the balance between men and women. But more than that, the presence of Women Parliamentarians is expected to ensure that women's interests become one of the policy priorities, including those related to poverty eradication, equal distribution of education, and health services.

What is currently being experienced by the Padang City DPRD is the increase in female legislative members for the 2019-2024 period, because these women legislators have a political orientation and have a vision and mission. One example of a case that occurred during the 2019-2024 legislative election in Padang City, women were superior to other cities and regencies, namely the 6 female legislative members of Padang City.

This study will examine the political orientation of female legislators for the 2019-2024 period in Padang City. In this case, the researcher will dig deeper into everything related to the political orientation of the female legislators of Padang City for the 2019-2024 period.

## **B. METHOD**

This study uses qualitative methods in this study a useful approach to explain social phenomena in depth (Sugiyono, 2014; Singarimbun & Effendi, 2002). The qualitative approach itself is a scientific research process intended to understand human problems in a social context by creating a comprehensive and complex picture that is presented, reports detailed views of information sources, and is carried out in a natural setting without any intervention from the researcher. While the type of research used is phenomenology, which is related to knowledge that appears in consciousness which describes what a person understands in his awareness and experience.

### **C. RESULT AND DISCUSSION**

Political orientation is a decision that concerns and influences a person's political behavior which will have an impact on legislative candidates, while basically the choice is influenced by his orientation to become a member of the legislature. The number of female legislative members of Padang City for the 2019-2024 period is 6 people.

According to Almond & Verba there are 3 political orientations, namely cognitive political orientation, knowledge of a person or society about belief in politics, its roles and obligations, as well as inputs and outputs and also to assess the level of knowledge of a person about the running of the political system, government figures, policies they adopt. take, or about the symbols that belong to a political system.

Affective political orientation is a feeling towards the political system, its roles, actors and appearances that make a person accept or reject a political system. Political orientation evaluative decisions and opinions about political objects that typically involve a combination of standard values and criteria with information and feelings. This orientation is determined by one's moral evaluation and is also related to normative evaluation, political morals and political ethics.

Cognitive political orientation in which female legislators in the city of Padang conveyed that the importance of the political party that nominates was felt by several female legislators of the city of Padang. Political orientation should be that female legislative candidates for the City of Padang know what a political party is and what is the vision and mission of the party that nominates it and not only during the campaign to disseminate information, but has been known by the local community long before. It turns out that this does not appear in the female legislators of the City of Padang. Affective political orientation is a feeling towards the political system, its roles, actors and appearances that make a person accept or reject a political system.

The political orientation possessed by women members of the Padang City DPRD is how to believe in the community that we are able to convey the aspirations of the community and can solve the problems that the community complains about. the existence of beliefs and socialization carried out by female legislators in the city of Padang so that they can have legitimate political leadership. Integrated political orientation in a person comes out in the form of actions, speech, behavior, attitudes to others, and attitudes towards the environment.

Based on the results of interviews and analysis conducted on the results of the interview, the researchers found that in general the 6 female legislative members of the City of Padang who were elected had 3 political orientations, namely cognitive, affective and evaluative orientations. The tendency of cognitive orientation is

reflected in a person's behavior, namely conducting campaigns and providing socialization. The tendency of affective orientation is reflected in the statement of liking or disliking as expressed by Irawati: "I don't like the ways that say or show women's political parties based on only 30% quota fulfillment". The tendency of evaluative orientation is the ability to evaluate the process that is being implemented, namely the election process and the process as a member of the legislature.

#### **D. CONCLUSION**

The political orientation process for female legislators in the City of Padang is a political process in which the political orientation is in accordance with the theory described by Almond & Verba, namely cognitive political orientation, affective political orientation, and evaluative political orientation. Being good is because women have potential. This has actually led to a high level of representation of women. By analyzing the political orientation according to Almond and Verba carried out by female legislators of Padang City so that people believe in socialization and get to know Padang City female legislators before they become people's representatives in parliament. Members of the Padang City legislature have been actively involved in various activities in the form of political education and so on.

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