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Abstract

The institutional corruption in state institutions has functioned as the pull factor for human trafficking. This research focuses on micro social issue and covers how the poor from the bottom of poverty are trafficked for low skilled and labour intensive job, and how they are neglected by state apparatus 'within' Indonesia. The slavery case in Medan, North Sumatra (Indonesia) in the bird nest factory shows that victims are neglected, even to the point of death, not only by the master but also by the state apparatus. This paper looks at: (i) how human trafficking is practiced by the organised crime network, (ii) how the state institutions are paralysed and the apparatus become predators to its most vulnerable citizens, (iii) how the private agency involved in human trafficking, and (iv) how human trafficking within Indonesia is linked to the global supply chain.

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