Gay Online Prostitution

(A case study on Three of a gay prostitute in Bandung City)

The prostitution services provided through the cyber world today are increasingly lively along with the development of information technology. The disclosure of communication and information access today not only presents a positive impact on national development, but also a major negative impact on social life. One of the negative impacts of communications and information on people in the big city is the availability of online prostitution, both in heterosexuals and homosexual circles. Prostitution is a social disease (stigmatization) and a choice of life revolving on the academicians, so that the I display an analysis with a feminine approach. This article explains the accessibility and availability of online prostitution among gay in the city of Bandung. Qualitative methods as a basis for this research, by means of the data collection is online and offline through observation and interviews with the private provider of prostitution in gay circles. The informant research consists of three men who are private providers of gay prostitution. This study found that online prostitution in the city of Bandung is private and hidden. This gay online prostitution business is more commonly found with a plus-plus massage. Ease of access to get gay prostitution through the application of Grindr, Hornet, Instagram, Twitter and Blued, in the city of Bandung profession as gay prostitution is bitten by men who already have a job. The study concluded that online prostitution in gay circles in the city of Bandung was hung by stright men who had handsome faces, macho-headed and had a fairly established job.

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Background of Studies

This adult prostitution ring is not only targeted to young women, but also targeted at young men. Niko (2016) states that the existence of male sex workers who sell sexual services to men (gay) is caused by poverty as well as lifestyle. Lifestyle then becomes one among the problems of life in cities or urban life crisis that important study. It includes about seksan workers in urban areas, both workers seksan seksan women and men workers.

In several phenomena, many of those who come from villages migrate to the city in the hope of a better life in the city. This means that the movement of people from one area (rural) to other (urban) it will have the potential to pe mbudakan employment in urban areas. The gap between life in rural and urban areas also become a pull factor of villagers to migrate to cities looking for work, in addition to the influence of social and cultural change has changed the social structure, economy and politics. As a result, people will take any job for survival or survival.

At the level of life in urban areas, seks workers is not a new thing found in this millennium. In the era of globalization and modern life today even this Gay prostitution is not a new thing (Coupland 2010). Basically prostitution, prostitution both male and female prostitution leaves melancholy story for the perpetrators of sex workers, in the course of undergoing their role as sex
workers are often abused and even killed (see the study Svanström 2006; Farley 2006; Stransky & Finkelhor 2012).

Gay prostitution by Elifson, Boles, & Sweat (1993) Gay men or bisexuals who provide sexual services to men who identified themselves as Gay or Bisexual anyway. Weitzer (2012) states that prostitution is the exchange of sexual services with material compensation, including physical activity direct contact between buyer and seller services, as well as indirect contact such as stripping, phone sex, live sex shows, or erotic webcam.

The existence of prostitution occurs as a result of economic inequality in urban areas (McKeganey 2006), meaning that the economic factors and the influence of irregular urbanization is the cause of a person then chose to become a sex worker. In countries in Southeast Asia, prostitution is illegal in violation of the rule of law, including in Indonesia prostitutes can be imprisoned. In contrast to the city of Tijuana or in Mexico City legalizing prostitution, however there is a lot of prostitution activity is not listed, such as in Mexico City in 2007, there were approximately 40,000-50,000 people who are not registered sex workers (Hemmingson 2008). It is also common in the city of Amsterdam, even though prostitution is legal, but in some red light district a lot of illegal prostitution activity occurs (Gibly 2012).

Sondhri (2010) states that a person is not getting no other choice but to prostitute herself to get food, even though they themselves knew the consequences that would arise; criminalization that they face as a prostitution. In fact, every day they experienced harassment and sexual violence (Person 2015). Based on studies Niko (2016) also mentions that male sex workers in the city of Pontianak and Bandung reported experiencing sexual harassment and violence from clients.

In studies Cotter (2009); Jones (2010); Hall (2011); and Shamsuddin & Azman (2014) mentions that the boys often found as victims of prostitution providing sexual services to men. Prostitution industry that is increasingly numerous requests was used as a promising business, so that children of men who prostituted for adult males are victims of human trafficking. Not only occur in boys, sexual exploitation also occurs in girls, men and women (Lynham & Larsen 2013).

Bandung city which is one tourism destination city, this is a big influence on the activity of tourists who visit Bandung, especially in activities there is a demand sexual services. In some cities in Kenya, the demand for sexual services increased tourists who visit every year, even a lot of demand for sex workers boys (Hope 2013). Things sex becomes something more interesting foreign tourists to visit in the region, in the region of Southeast Asia apart from Thailand, Indonesia is also one of the destinations for sex tourism visit (Scheyvens 2002).

Gay Prostitution online in Bandung exist as the development and advancement of technology and information today. Chat application and online dating to be a means for them to promote their services. Prostitution activity is then called "Ngucing", while the sexual services provider Gay referred to as "cat". Gay prostitution is not only just, even heterosexual online prostitution prior to exist became the object of scientific study.
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The Practice of Prostitution as a Way Negotiations Coming Out

Prostitution itself has many definitions, including by Peršak and Vermeulen (2014) which states that prostitution is often imagined as lipstick red, sexy clothes and heavy makeup, exotic, and so forth. Then Hodgson (1997) also agrees that prostitution is closely related to the hussy, wanton and like material (money). However, in this paper, I argue that prostitution is not all about sexy, exotic and not solely on women. Prostitution who played male to male sex, not even involve women in it. This means that prostitution can not be seen by your imagination, where there are oppression, powerlessness and suffering, who knows!

Meanwhile, Outshoorn (2001) argues that prostitution is a transaction where men purchase sexual contact (sexual service) of women, where the social relations between women and men are not equal in social power. Researchers assume social power is meant by Outshoorn this is a situation where the payer will be dominant (master) on the sexual transactions, which occur, and service providers could become slaves because in pay.

According Svanström (2006) prostitution is always associated with social rules and laws, because no one has thought that to be prostitution is a good job, there is a so-called immoral, psychopathology and social ills. In the context of Scotland, McKeeganey (2006) it confirms that prostitution is a job that is protected in Scotland, there are tolerance prostitute zone where commercial sex workers to have rights equal to ordinary people. Thus, in a specific zone of prostitution is a matter of course and legal.

Gay Sex Workers: Morality stuck

Many mainstream writings stating that Gay is a part of or correlate with mental disorder, social diseases and distorted (Reisman 2002). Then coupled with the prejudice and stigma that Gay is a carrier of the deadly virus HIV and AIDS (Siegel, Lune & Meyer 1998). Social umbrella law of morality and the negative stigma against a man Gay then political culture in Indonesia is the most miserable. No matter how strong ideas and arguments stating that Gay is not a manifestation of a mental disease, social disease and a series of other degrading stigma and impose one's humanity.

Stigma in the wild that can not manage; umbrella on the morality of the culture, religion and spirituality, then give up the body's limits are displayed. Butler (1990) had mentioned that the body only live within the constraints of
productive specific regulatory scheme; very digenderkan and masculine.

Facing a very complicated situation; stigma, whether we think that a Gay men
who engages in prostitution can be coming out of this identity identity-both
sexuality and identity that acted job?

Not easy to oppose the power of performativity very masculine, that men
should look dashing and should not be patterned behavior such as women and
others. Gender people understand and restricted based on the understanding of
sex / gender biologically (Butler 1990). Need space special debate to unveil the
principles masculine performativity.Baiocco, Laghi, Pomponio & Nigito
(2012) mentions the right need a friend to talk about yourself. This means that
a Gay men need time and the right people to internalize itself, in other words
that into prostitution is part of the internalization of self.

In many cases prostitution is organized and unorganized destroy
someone's life, but in other cases to prostitution is the beginning of one's life.
Both of these settings can not be ignored in the telescoped sex workers. Dewey
Studies Zheng & Orchard (2016); Farley, Golding, Matthews, Neil & Jarrett
(2015); and Stoddard (2013) on prostitution that includes male prostitution,
should simply open our eyes that prostitution is a reality in the midst of living
space.

Community largely retains the gender binary understanding, will continue
shortly stigma and exclusion of sexuality outside the heterosexual. Sexuality
that should be private, then into the moral standards in the determination of a
person's pattern of behavior. Then again, the moral is associated with a
particular religious doctrine, increasingly cornered Gay group, especially a sex
worker (prostitution).

28  Liberal Feminism: Progressive Approach
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30 My standpoint is that gender and sexuality are all equal as human beings.
31 Liberal feminism by Jaggar (1983) has developed since the 18th century, they
32 argue that men and women have the same basic rights (natural rights) are
33 inherent and equal rights under the law. Therefore the liberal feminist believes
34 that discrimination against women and other gender expression does not only
35 occur in the legal system (like law) but also on informal systems, such as rigid
36 norms on society.
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38 Liberal feminists also felt that in contemporary society, women are often
39 not given the same opportunities in different types of work and the work when
40 acted by a woman or other gender that are considered to reduce the degree of
41 humanity, are considered lowly and lowered modesty and their autonomy as a
42 woman or gender and sexuality that other minorities (Jaggar 1983). In general,
43 according to the Jaggar insists that liberal feminists also adopt the values of
44 political liberalism, such as equality, freedom, and justice.
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46 Feminism according Schniedewind (1983, in Chandraningrum & Dhewy
47 2016) requires not only the development and new knowledge but also forms of
48 human relations that are not exploitative and dominating. Therefore, the use of
49 the word slut in previous papers changed to the word sex workers, who initially
50 get responses from my colleagues, both set in academics or practitioners. The
word prostitute itself a clear idea by Koentjoro and Sugihastuti (1999) which states in academic writings, it is very appropriate to use the word prostitute. However, I asserts that the prostitute is a form of stigma that is currently developing in society that lead to discrimination against sex workers.

Research Methods

This study uses a qualitative approach with case study method. My Standpoint in this paper is an approach that emphasizes equality feminism. Cases of this research is the study of 3 Gay online prostitution service providers. This study is explorative because until now has not known for certain the number of Gay, prostitution service providers, as well as the problems they faced. Exploration conducted by direct interview to Gay male prostitution service providers online.

The study area includes the city of Bandung, where exploration is done at random to male sex workers. The data obtained through interviews and analyzed using descriptive analysis. Steps being taken in this study as follows: (a) observation of social media through Twitter, Blued, Grindr, Hornet and Instagram; (B) conducting interviews with Gay prostitution service providers to make appointments in advance; (C) analyzing the data, and (d) a research report.

Results and Discussion

Mr. Case Studies D

Mr. D is the name of the initials of a male pseudonym of 27-year-old who comes from one of the districts in West Java. Mr. D is a graduate of one of the universities in Bandung. Currently he is working in the field of property business in Singapore, and begin to cultivate ‘side job’ as a male sex worker since the last three years (2015, 2016 and 2017). Then, according to the narrative Mr. D clients who usually use the services are males aged 30 years and over, sometimes there are 20s of years.

Daily as private employees are generally the same as other employees. Mr. D also behave like men in general, and always maintain its appearance. For Mr. D keep up appearances is the main thing because the demands of the job are also often meet clients who become potential buyers of the property where she worked. While the intensity of the MR. D in serving customers dependent than orders or bookings already agreed. Mr. D admitted he usually serves customers three times in one week.

The reason Mr. D into male sex workers due to salaries as employees of mediocre to sustain everyday life, while the other secondary needs such as hang out, vacation, and body treatments (Gym, facial treatments, and others). Mr. D usually offers plus-plus massage services to its customers for a fee of around Rp.800.000-Rp.1.200.000, these costs are included servicing plus-plus. Mr. D usually offer services via Grindr, Blued and Hornet, which is the social
media chat and dating Gay specialty. During into prostitution, Mr. D claimed to have been sexually assaulted.

*Mr. Case Studies R*

Mr. R is the name initials of a male pseudonym stright handsome and 22 years old. Mr. R is not a native of Bandung, even not domiciled in the city of Bandung. Normally it to duo once a month, it could be also three months, depending on the business office and a weekend off. Mr. R came from Jakarta and stay in Jakarta. Mr. R worked in banking in the capital. Mr. R is an economics graduate. Mr. R provides a private prostitution services for a long time and move from town to town, not only in Jakarta and Bandung, but also normal to Bali, Medan and Surabaya.

The reason Mr. R to become sex workers for self-gratification, fad and "rather than empty" for fun without producing. And other personal needs of Mr. R is never short, but he also admitted that usually create additional care needs substantial capital. Moreover Mr. R like roads outside the region such as Bali, Lombok and other places, the cost is quite large. Later, Mr. R claimed to have several times experienced sexual abuse by clients, but said it became a sensation. Usually that uses sexual services of Mr. R is a male aged 30 years and over, never too 40 years and over, sometimes there are 20s of years.

Mr. R offers services through Grindr, twitter and instragram. He said he did not open on twitter and Instagram social media, but some clients obtained from the med sos. Then Mr. R claimed to serve customers usually depend on the client's request, usually every day, but also the usual one week only two-three times. While tariff Mr. R offer is Rp 300,000-Rp 700,000 a booking. Mr. R directly offer services in outcall sex, no-frills massage or massage plus-plus. For Mr. R being a sex worker can only search for pleasure yourself, it could be a way to express themselves.

*Mr. Case Studies W*

Mr. W is the initial name of a male pseudonym stocky and sickpack 23 years old. Mr. W is derived from one of the districts in West Java, he had long been domiciled in Bandung. Mr. W worked as private employees in the restaurant. Mr. W high school graduates who have several years of wandering in the city of Bandung. As nomads who make a living themselves, demanding Mr. W undergo a second job as a male sex worker. Mr. W also provides massage services and private massage which is a package of prostitution services he offers. Mr. W offers its services through Grindr, Hornet and Blued, where the services offered are massage or massage plus-plus specially for men.

Mr. W claimed that she became a sex worker for joining a friend who is also a male sex worker. Mr. W also said that he had experienced sexual violence from clients, and he also claimed to have become a slave to his clients, for services that he usually paid more. Mr. W said that her sex service users are males aged 30 years and over, never too 40 years and over, sometimes there are aged 20 years, but he said his client also whatever age is not an issue for him.
Basically Mr. W become sex workers for economic reasons, in addition to
meeting the primary needs such as paying rent shelter and daily necessities, as
well as to satisfy secondary needs like buying gadgets, televisions, care, fitness
and others. Mr. W admitted he usually serves clients depending on demand, if
there is any day booking so he'll serve every day. Mr. W offers services
through massage plus-plus, which also simultaneously with sexual services.
Mr. W gives Rp.200.000-500.000 rates, in one booking either incall or outcall.

Analysis and Discussion

Economic factors—though not the only-then the most strategic opportunities
for the existence seksan workers both offline and online. This condition can be
seen from the recognition in the case of three Gay sex workers who work and
earn money through online prostitution. In the case of the earlier discussion
elaborated at a simple conclusion we are where Gay sex workers because of
economic limitations and self-actualization or lifestyle in urban areas. This
means that the job of being sex workers (which is a second job or sideline) is
an absolute personal choice, without encouragement or coercion of others.
Although we can see in the case of Mr. W are beginning to become sex
workers because his bandwagon, but not necessarily because they were forced.

The gap between the rate of population growth with employment
opportunities, as well as the development and uneven population distribution
leads to low education and some people then choose to work as prostitutes.
Become sex workers because they do not require any particular skill
(Svanström 2006). However, in today's digital era, to become sex workers also
need specific skills appropriate to offer his services, at least have technological
literacy so as to offer prostitution services online.

Generally, prostitution often targeting the mature women and girls as
victims. They then choose (and / or forced) to become sex workers women and
girls come from poor families with low education, do not have a steady job,
inadequate skills, and family economic burden. Family poverty network
establishes the basis for the mature women and girls into the prostitution ring
circle. It also occurs in men seksan workers, the study Niko (2016) mentions a
boy who goes into prostitution networks (especially Gay) are those from lower
economic. Then,

Do not forget in our minds that in colonial times, labor activity seksan
(especially female sex workers only) centered on the ports of existing large, but
the new millennium this day worker seksan no longer centralized in one
particular place but can be encountered anywhere in each of the corners and the
urban center. This situation is a new challenge for social by scientists in
handling the issue of prostitution in urban areas. But unfortunately, at the level
of government policies have not an iota of the offending issue of male
prostitution (especially Gay), this may be because our mindset when you hear
the word sex workers is related to the female sex alone.

In the Indonesian context, prostitution is better known by the network and
the perpetrators are women. So what happens is unable allegedly
identifications such as sexual assault, sexual harassment and concerning crimes
against humanity (trafficking) associated with prostitution Gay. I speculate
that, basically Gay sex worker activity is actually an activity that not only
involve sex workers to provide sexual services, but more broadly Gay
prostitution is an activity of trade in services involving multiple parties,
including clients who buy sex. The sex trade network even extends to the wider
region, not only involve the communities, but from different countries. In other
words, this could have been a prostitution ring involving several countries
(transnational networks). On a wider level, system and network seksan male
workers is very tight and even organized (Niko 2016).

Furthermore, it turns out in a prostitution ring Gay (could be also on a
network of prostitution of women) in the context of online and offline are
divided into several categories that indicate the existence of classes in the
operational level prostitution as follows: a) The Underclass: commercial sex
workers this is in the lower class usually disorganized. Rates of sexual services
offered was low and usually operates on slum areas such as markets, terminals,
cemeteries, city parks and railroads. Sometimes associated with this class of
sex workers are very dangerous, they could be a thief, rob or commit other
crimes. b) Middle Class: This class segmentation in terms of already higher
tariffs and some set rate service prices doubled if taken out for in booking
overnight. In the case of Mr. W belongs to the class of this class. c) Upper
Class: The class customers on the majority of them come from communities
with a relatively high income, they usually use a night club as the first event to
date a sex worker or use a specific contacts only to receive customers. In the
case of Mr. R and Mr. D belongs to the class of this class. d) High Class:
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Gay sex work is done online, is among the uncertainty of a man on the
recognition of sexual identity. In an effort to explain the mixture of
constructivism and essentialism sexual identity is not an easy matter. The
existence of a series of discourses that reinforce the morality of same-sex body
materiality into gender construction simplification, that the male sex partner
with the female gender. This unequal construction then entrenched into the
culture that we can not be evaded.

Online prostitution is a short selection of someone to get the material in
the form of money, without thinking of satisfaction, violent consequences
verbal and non-verbal, or psychological pain-pain. Being prostitution is
"another way" for a Gay's "coming out", at least coming out to himself and his
customer, because not all [indiscriminate] people know their sexual identity as
a Gay. However, by becoming an online prostitution, clients who use sexual
services to him will know that he is a Gay. This kind of negotiation is a normal
reality.

Conclusion

Gay online forms of prostitution can not be identified by the general public
as well as law enforcement and policy. Gay online prostitution is interwoven
relationship between the service provider (Gay sex workers) with the service
users (clients). Without the take and gift relations between the two, then the
Gay sex workers may not exist, which means that where there is demand there
will be supply. On the overall findings in the discussion, it can be concluded
that the case of the three Gay sex workers have different motives in the process
of becoming sex workers, however there is the same goal as earning money.

In the decision-making process that involves the body of a Gay sex
workers are often determined on male domination service user (client) so that
sexual violence often occurs in Gay sex workers. The potential cycle of abuse
among sex workers Gay is not a playful thing. Power relations clients in
violence and sexual harassment of sex workers Gay is exploitative action
against the body, simply because the clients pay to enjoy sex together.

Gay Being alone is often experienced rejection, stigmatization and
criminalization, then become more complex Gay sex workers experiencing acts
of sexual exploitation. This means that Gay sex workers vulnerable to re-
victimization; already victims become victims again. Then, there is a pattern of
abuse online (online) which is currently booming, as the circulation of nude
photos and video of sex workers (who is also a massage therapist plus) in
social media without their consent. This needs to be a serious concern that the
abuse had happened could have been the modus of extortion to get money by
parties who are not responsible. UU ITE Law still does not recognize a similar
case, which could have turned the blame on the victim.
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