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Determinants Factors of Non-Performing Financing in Islamic Microfinance Institution (Case study of Islamic Cooperative XYZ in Sidoarjo, Indonesia)

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Abstract

This paper investigates the influence of socio-economics, geographic location, and financing characteristics of clients from Islamic microfinance institution towards their financing performance. Using chi-square models, the data were collected from 140 clients of one Islamic microfinance institution in Sidoarjo city in Indonesia. The results show that sex, occupation, location, type of contract, and total financing influence the non-performing financing of Islamic microfinance institution in Indonesia.

Keywords: Socio-Economic, Geographical Location, Characteristics of Financing, Non-Performing Financing, Chi-square

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1. Introduction

Microfinance institutions (MFIs) are financial institutions that aimed to help and provide financing for middle and small classes of the society. Besides providing financial services to the community, it also helps to develop clients' business and empower them (Otoritas Jasa Keuangan, 2016).

Islamic MFI is institution that has Islamic value and follow Islamic law that can be a solution for people who are not able to access formal financial institution (e.g. bank). In addition, this institution can also become a solution for Muslim in rural areas which reluctant to borrow from conventional institution that involved interest or *riba* in its transaction (Ahmad and Ahmad, 2009).

Various types of Islamic microfinance institutions in Indonesia according to Soemitra (2009) are *zakah* management institutions, *waqf* management institutions, *baitul mal wat tamwil* (BMT) and sharia cooperatives. Operationally, from the four institutions,

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there are two of them who have similar operational activities, namely BMT and sharia cooperatives (Soemitra, 2009).

The development of sharia cooperatives in Indonesia is promising (Umam, 2016). As a profit-oriented business institution, Islamic cooperatives are also considered capable of performing social functions in which social funds can be collected by this institution and channeled to the rightful parties (Burhanuddin, 2013). Social funds that can be collected by Islamic cooperatives including, *zakah* (The form of worship to Allah SWT by issuing part of his property, the law is obligatory and given to certain groups with a certain amount), *infaq* (Sedekah in the form of objects, the sunnah law, there is no certain nominal limit), *sedekah* (The good that we give to others in any form, the sunnah law), and *waqf* (Submit long-lasting property rights to nadzir both individuals and management bodies provided the results or benefits are used in accordance with Islamic sharia) (Burhanuddin, 2013).

Financing is the distribution of funds provided by financial institutions to those who need funds where these funds come from people who have excess funds (Afandi, 2009; Nuryadin, 2004).

The provision of financing based on sharia principles is based on analysis by applying the precautionary principle so that the debtor is able to repay his debt or return the financing in accordance with the agreement so that the risk of failure in payment can be avoided (Djamil, 2012).

In general, the thing faced by all sharia financial institutions that provide financing facilities is the same. It is related to the return of financing which is very vulnerable causing problematic financing, including in Islamic cooperatives (Afandi, 2009).

The ability to return the financing of clients to financial institutions is not always good. In fact, the debtor is often unable to return the performing financing, so it results in non-performing financing (Fuady, 1995).

The long-term impact of non-current returns will make the financing function of Islamic financial institutions, especially Islamic cooperatives, disrupted such as the lack of maximum funding for the public who need funds for productive and consumptive activities (Djamil, 2012). Therefore, Islamic cooperatives become difficult to develop, operate perfunctory and result in lowering the trust of clients (Burhanuddin, 2013). Conversely, if the return on performing financing, then the financing function of Islamic financial institutions becomes maximal and the quality of the portfolio of the financial institution is also good (Nuryadin, 2004).

This study attempts to examine the factors that influence non-performing financing using socio-economic aspects of financing clients (age, sex, education level, type of

work), geographical aspects (distance and location), and financing characteristics (types of contracts and total financing).

Several studies have tried to explain the factors that influence the level of non-performing financing. However, there are only a few empirical studies that explain it. Thus, the author intends to know and analyze any influence on non-performing financing in the XYZ Islamic cooperative.

2. Characteristics

2.1. Socioeconomics

According to Supartono (2011), socio-economic factors can consist of: (1) level of income, (2) level of consumption, (3) level of production, (4) level of education, (5) work ethic, (6) type of work, (7) population, (8) and so on. Accordingly, socio-economic factors are factors that describe social conditions and economic conditions of someone who interacts with each other (Damsar, 2009).

There are several socio-economic factors in the community, including (1) sex, (2) income level, (3) education level, (4) residence, (5) type of work, (6) age, and (7) economic activity (Waluya, 2007). This study uses four socio-economic variables, including age, sex, level of education, and type of work because in general, the Islamic cooperative institutions with these four variables are the form of debtor identifiers before being approved for financing.

2.2. Geographics

Spatial analysis for a geographer is the main thing that must be understood because it examines various aspects, both physically, socially, location, and human activities. This variable is different from one place to another. Factors that influence the pattern of spatial distribution or distribution of elements are usually related to many factors. An example is a relationship between social aspects. Such as the distance of the house from the road to the density of the house or the value of land. This study uses two geographic aspect variables, including distance and location because it will be the form of the debtor's identifier before being approved for financing.

2.3. Financing characteristics

Financing for microfinance institutions is divided into four categories, namely financing based on profit sharing contracts, buying and selling contracts, and supplementary contracts. Financing based on profit sharing contracts includes mudharabah and musyarakah financing, while financing based on buying and selling contracts includes murabahah financing, salamfinancing, and istishna financing. Financing under the lease principle includes ijarah and IMBT financing. While financing with complementary contracts is intended to facilitate financing using the three principles above (Nafi'ah, 2008).

3. Literature Review

There are several results from previous studies that were used as references from this study. The research conducted by Lubis and Rachmina (2011) entitled Factors Affecting Realization and Returns of People's Business Credit shows that sex, monthly obligations, repayment period and education level have a significant effect on the rate of return on people's business loans. The results of hypothesis testing indicate that sex, monthly obligations, repayment period and level of education have a significant effect on the rate of return on people's business credit.

Next research by Kiswati and Rahmaway (2015) was entitled Factors Affecting the Return Rate of Mudharabah Financing. This research was conducted at the Fastabiq BMT in Batangan, Pati. The independent variables used were education level, number of family dependents, business turnover, and length of business. The results of the hypothesis indicated that all independent variables had a significant positive effect on the rate of return on financing.

Research conducted by Prestisia (2017), this study resulted in a hypothesis test that age, loan amount, loan repayment period and collateral value had a significant effect on performing financing, while the education level did not significantly influence the performing financing.

A study by Kusumaningrum (2018) was entitled Factors Affecting the Return of Revolving Loans of Self-Help Groups at the Ngagel Rejo Mulyo BKM (Case Study at the Ngagel Rejo BKM). This study used independent sex variables, group loan amounts, and total group member income, and the dependent variable returns on revolving loans. The results of the hypothesis indicated that sex and the number of group loans had a significant positive effect on the return of revolving loans, while the total income of group members had no significant effect on the return of revolving loans.

4. Methodology

This research uses financing client data on Islamic cooperative XYZ in Sidoarjo because Islamic cooperative XYZ is one of the large cooperatives in Sidoarjo. Data from 140 clients was obtained through purposive sampling in Islamic cooperative XYZ in Sidoarjo. This study used secondary data, namely financial statement data in the form of data on clients who conducted performing financing and non-performing financing. The data was based on the collectibility level of financing as a sample.

The variables in this study were three groups, namely socio-economic (age, sex, education level, and type of occupation), geography (distance and location), financing characteristics (type of contract and total financing). Table 1 presents the definitions of variables used in the empirical model.

TABLE 1: Description of variables.

Variables	Type of variable	Description of variables
Socioeconomics		
Age	Continuous	Age of clients (in years)
Sex	Dummy	Sex of clients (1=female, 0=male)
Educational level	Dummy	Educational level of clients (1=upper middle class, 0=lower middle class)
Type of occupation	Dummy	Type of occupation of clients (1=formal, 0=informal)
Geographic Location		
Distance	Dummy	Distance between members residence to the cooperative (1=far, 0=at close range)
Location	Dummy	Geographic location of members residence (1=city, 0=districts)
Financing characteristics		
Type of contract	Dummy	Contract used in financing (1=PLS, 0=Non-PLS)
Total financing	Dummy	Clients' total financing

The method of selecting samples used in this study was the purposive sampling method. Purposive sampling is a technique of determining samples with certain considerations (Sugiyono, 2014).

5. Empirical Result and Discussion

5.1. Socio-economics

Table 2 summarized the general characteristics of clients. The result indicated that clients who conducted non-performing financing were mostly found in age 36-55 (84.0%). The reason was because those who performed financing generally came from those age range. In terms of sex, non-performing financing was conducted more by male (60.0%). It may happen as men did not carefully make a decision. Regarding to education level, clients who completed senior high school or known as upper middle class tended

to conduct non-performing financing (90.0%). It occurred because most clients who performed financing belong to upper middle class, so that they contributed more in non-performing financing. Moreover, most of clients who conducted non-performing financing had informal work (86.0%) because of non-fixed income earned by them every month (see Table 2).

TABLE 2: Profile of the clients.

Variable	Non-performing financing (N=50)		Performing financing (N=90)		Total (N=140)		Chi-square	
	Sub-total	% to N	Sub-total	% to N	Sub-total	% to N		
Age	21-35th	1	2.0%	8	8.9%	9	6.4%	37.3203
	36-55th	42	84.0%	75	83.3%	117	83.6%	
	56-70th	7	14.0%	7	7.8%	14	10.0%	
	Total		100.0%		100.0%		100.0%	
	Mean	46.38		46.47		46.44		
Sex	Female	20	40.0%	73	81.1%	93	66.4%	24.3600***
	Male	30	60.0%	17	18.9%	47	33.6%	
	Total		100.0%		100.0%		100.0%	
Education level	Upper Middle Class	45	90.0%	80	88.9%	125	89.3%	0.0415
	Lower Middle Class	5	10.0%	10	11.1%	15	10.7%	
	Total		100.0%		100.0%		100.0%	
Type of work	Formal	7	14.0%	5	5.6%	12	8.6%	2.9248*
	Informal	43	86.0%	85	94.4%	128	91.4%	
	Total		100.0%		100.0%		100.0%	
Distance	Far (11-25km)	11	22.0%	20	22.2%	31	22.1%	0.0009
	At close range (1-10km)	39	78.0%	70	77.8%	109	77.9%	
	Total		100.0%		100.0%		100.0%	
Location	City	22	44.0%	54	60.0%	76	54.3%	3.3158*
	District	28	56.0%	36	40.0%	64	45.7%	
	Total		100.0%		100.0%		100.0%	
Type of contract	PLS	42	84.0%	30	33.3%	72	51.4%	33.0327***
	Non-PLS	8	16.0%	60	66.7%	68	48.6%	
	Total		100.0%		100.0%		100.0%	
Total Financing	< 3,000,000	5	10.0%	24	26.7%	29	20.7%	12.9921**
	IDR							
	3,000,001-8,000,000 IDR	16	32.0%	37	41.1%	53	37.8%	
	8,000,001-18,000,000 IDR	11	22.0%	15	16.7%	26	18.6%	
	18,000,001-30,000,000 IDR	10	20.0%	10	11.1%	20	14.3%	
	> 30,000,000 IDR	8	16.0%	4	4.4%	12	8.6%	
	Total		100.0%		100.0%		100.0%	
	Mean	22778*		9357*		14150*		

- *in thousands
- * 10% significant level
- ** 5% significant level
- *** 1% significant level

5.2. Geographic location

Clients who lived closely to the cooperative tended to conduct non-performing financing more (78.0%) than those who lived far from the cooperative (22%). The possible reason

was because they oversimplified the financing as they lived closely to the cooperative. Furthermore, clients who conducted non-performing financing were those whose residence was in the district (56.0%). This finding may be due to the fact that the ease of access to the cooperative influenced clients' behavior. Accordingly, people who lived in the district conduct non-performing financing (see Table 2).

5.3. Financing characteristics

Regarding to the type of contract, clients who conducted non-performing financing were in PLS contract (84.0%). It was likely to happen because there was a moral hazard in PLS contract. In terms of the total financing made by the clients, clients who received financing between 3,000,001-8,000,000 IDR (32.0%) conducted non-performing financing category (see Table 2).

The result showed that clients' sex influenced the non-performing financing, and the result was consistent with the previous microfinance research in which the proportion of high female borrowers to loan repayments had a low risk due to the nature of women who had a higher sense of responsibility in returning loans compared to the male borrower (Kusumaningrum, 2018). In terms of the type of work, the result indicated that clients who had formal employment were better in performing financing. The result was in line with the research conducted by Prestisia (2017). In general, jobs that with fixed income were more likely to have a small risk of returning financing compared to jobs without steady income. The finding also shows that location from city, the higher possibility of borrowers to repay their loan. Being location from city, will give an extra advantage, a borrowers to repay their loan. On the type of contract, the result of the study indicated that the clients whose type of profit was loss sharing contract, had the possibility of conducting non-performing financing. While, the higher the total loan received by the borrowers, the higher probability of borrowers to pay their loan on time. This is because the borrowers have enough funds to finance their business that makes them get more profit and increase their business profile.

6. Conclusions

This study analyzes the factors that influence non-performing financing. The results show that there are eight factors that influence the non-performing financing namely age, sex, education level, type of work, a distance of residence to a cooperative, a location of residence, type of contract, and total financing. This study finds that there

are 5 variables that have the most dominant influence on the non-performing financing compared to other variables namely sex, type of work, location, type of contract, and total financing. Therefore sex, especially in men, has an influence on the non-performing financing. This is based on the attitude and nature of men that tend to take risks. This study shows that the type of informal work has an influence on non-performing financing. This statement is based on non-fixed income every month earned by clients, so that they cannot estimate how to divide the income to meet daily needs.

The type of PLS contract has an influence on the non-performing financing. This is because the PLS contract has a proportion that fits the needs of the client.

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