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# The Role of Green Economy in Regional Tourism Development in Indonesia

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Abstract: The primary aim of this research is to analyze and elucidate the pivotal role of the green economy in fostering sustainable regional development in Indonesia. As environmental concerns become increasingly pressing, understanding the intersection of economic growth and ecological sustainability is essential for effective policy-making. This study employs a systematic literature review (SLR) methodology, analyzing 22 scholarly journals through the PRISMA framework to ensure a comprehensive and rigorous examination of existing literature. The findings of this research provide compelling evidence that the implementation of green economic principles significantly contributes to the development of regional tourism in Indonesia. Furthermore, the study highlights the importance of collaboration with local communities, which not only enhances the effectiveness of green economic initiatives but also improves the quality of human resources. By integrating sustainable practices into regional development strategies, this research underscores the potential for the green economy to drive both economic growth and environmental stewardship in Indonesia.

**Keywords:** Green Economy, Sustainable Development, Regional Tourism, Community Engagement, Environmental Policy.

#### Introduction

Sustainable development with a prosperous environmental perspective based on Pancasila is recognized as an ideal that can be achieved in the long term for creating a just society. Management of natural resources is often focused on meeting short-term goals, leading to irrational exploitation of natural resources to meet financial needs. This exploitation can result in damage to the ecosystem and harm to the environment. Natural resources are elements of the natural environment. Natural resources encompass various interests of society, government, and the state. According to Oekan S. Abdoellah, Indonesia is considered to be a country with the greatest wealth of natural resources in the world. The World Bank estimates that Indonesia is ranked 9th in the world in terms of total natural resource wealth. Constitutionally, natural resources are controlled by the state. According to San Afri Awang, it is said that "controlling natural resources means controlling economic resources, and economic assets mean having a vehicle to gain power."

Vehicles powered by engines are regulated in Article 33, paragraph (3) of the 1945 Constitution of the Republic of Indonesia.

This is because natural resources are being explored and exploited without paying attention to the principles of environmental management and protection, and development activities are funded by the outcomes of these activities. As is known, the aim of these regulations is to maintain environmental functions and prevent pollution and/or environmental damage (Manihuruk et al., 2024).

Development is a series of efforts aimed at achieving planned and deliberate growth and change by a nation-state towards modernization within the framework of nation-building. Modernity is defined as a new and improved way of life, characterized by rational thinking and a robust yet adaptable cultural system. Development is said to be sustainable if the economic aspects, especially.

Growth should not conflict with long-term interests, particularly those concerning environmental, socio-cultural, and national security and defense

sustainability. Article 33, paragraph 4 of the 1945 Constitution of the Republic of Indonesia enshrines the concept of sustainability. It says that "a just, sustainable, environmentally sound, independent, national economy is organized based on democracy with the principles of togetherness, efficiency, and by maintaining a balance of economic progress and unity." countrywide. There is a connection between sustainable and "sustainable development."

National. Sustainable is related to the concept of "sustainable development." Sustainable development requires the environment as its main element, while environmental awareness necessitates sustainable development. Therefore, sustainable development must be integrated into environmentally sound development policies. Natural resource conservation aims to protect and preserve natural resources. Natural resource conservation is encapsulated in the phrase "all efforts" as long as the goal remains "protection and preservation" (Yasminingrum, 2023).

#### Method

Researchers analyze various studies in this article. To facilitate an understanding of the role of the Green Economy in regional tourism development in Indonesia, the author presents the results of the analysis in the form of a table. The following are the stages of a Systematic Literature Review (SLR):

#### 1. Research Question

Research questions can be formulated based on the requirements of the research topic. In this research, the research question that will be used is: What is the role of the green economy in regional tourism development in Indonesia?

# 2. Search Process

The search process was conducted to acquire pertinent sources for addressing research questions. Google Scholar, also known as Publish or Perish, is a search engine used by researchers to conduct searches. Google Scholar is a service provided by Google that is used to search and index articles published in scientific journals. The Google Scholar search engine was chosen as the platform to search for relevant primary sources because it contains indexed articles, both indexed by Google Scholar and Publish or Perish, and has a feature that can display articles based on the required year of publication.

#### 3. Inclusion Criteria

At this stage, a review is conducted to determine whether the collected literature can be used as research data or not. During the inclusion criteria stage, researchers establish standards for selecting literature for research. The conditions are as follows: The literature used consists of journal articles.

- a. The library research method is qualitative.
- b. Publish or Perish and Google Scholar indexed the literature
  - The maximum year of literature publication is within the last 3 years (2022-2024).
- c. The literature discusses the role of the Green Economy in developing regional tourism in Indonesia.

The research subjects discussed in the literature are regional tourism in Indonesia. The author follows the PRISMA (Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses) protocol, which consists of four stages: identification, screening, eligibility, and final (Borenstein, 2021); (Juandi, 2021), (Putri & Juandi, 2022) there are:

# 1) Stage 1: Identification

A total of 30 research articles were found on the role of the green economy in regional tourism development in Indonesia using the Google Scholar and Publish or Perish search engines from 2022 to 2024.

# 2) Stage 2: Screening

Out of the 30 results from relevant journals, there was no duplication of data.

# 3) Stage 3: Conformity

After analyzing the data based on predetermined criteria, 22 articles were selected.

# 4) Stage 4: Final Article

There are 22 articles that comply with the provisions regarding the role of the green economy in regional tourism development in Indonesia, which will be analyzed.

#### 4. Data Collection

Collecting literature for research data involves searching on Google Scholar or Publish or Perish websites using keywords such as "the impact of changes in the independent curriculum on higher education in Indonesia." The results presented have been gathered from various sources, forming the data for this research. The journal references used can be seen in Table 1.

**Table 1.** Year and quantity of Journal categories

	Journal
Year	Qty
2021	5
2022	9
2023	8

Source: Data processed, 2024.

#### **Result and Discussion**

Out of the 30 relevant journals, 22 have been selected through a search on Google Scholar or Publish and Perish

website. The distribution by categories for 2022 includes 5 journals, for 2023 includes 12 journals, and for 2023 includes 5 journals. The following table 2 presents a classification of 22

selected journals that are relevant to the role of the green economy in regional tourism development can see at table 2.

Table 2. Journals that are relevant to the role of the green economy in regional tourism development

No.	Researcher, Year	Journal	Result
1.	(Lubis et al., 2022)	Jurnal Ilmiah Hospitality	Apart from enhancing the beauty and cleanliness of natural
	•		tourism sites, it also contributes to boosting the economic income
			of residents living around these areas. By 50% to 70%.
2.	(Pratiwi et al., 2022)	E-Journal Janabadra.Ac.Id	The community can apply the regional potential in Donokerto
			Village through the Green Economy concept
3.	(Wijayanti &	Owner: Riset & Jurnal	The concept of the blue economy and the green economy both
	Ramlah, 2022)	Akuntansi	have a significant impact on people's income.
4.	(L. D. Agustina et	Jurnal Penelitian Pendidikan	The Miru Village government has a role to play, which includes
	al., 2022)	Sosial Humaniora	creating access roads and spaces for decorative plants, among
			other responsibilities
5.	(Srikalimah et al.,	JPM (Jurnal Pemberdayaan	Pre-treatment, neutralization, coagulation, flotation,
	2022)	Masyarakat)	sedimentation, and filtering are all components of the WWTP
			system in operation. The pH and TDS meters developed were
			Arduino Nano-based sensors, connected to PCs and cellphones
			through the Arduino IDE and Blynk software.
6.	(Saputri Toebajoe et	COMSERVA: Jurnal	The application of green economy principles in the development
	al., 2023)	Penelitian dan Pengabdian	of the Pasir Putih tourist village in Lembata Regency has not
		Masyarakat	been fully implemented.
7.	(Anggraini et al.,	Jurnal Kajian Ekonomi &	Green economy is also seen in minimizing waste of natural
	2023)	Bisnis Islam	resources and making compost and ecoenzymes.
8.	(Susila & Hukom,	Trending: Jurnal Ekonomi,	The implementation of the green economy in Central
	2023)	Akuntansi dan Manajemen	Kalimantan has had several positive impacts.
9.	(Rahardjo et al., 2023)	Dharma Jnana	In the agricultural context, this has significant implications
10.	(Salsabila &	BISMA: Jurnal Bisnis dan	Research findings reveal significant untapped tourism potential
	Hasanah, 2023)	Manajemen	in Kemiri Village, moreover, integration is still limited
11.	(Khairunisa et al.,	JURPIKAT (Jurnal	Website-based T-VR digital promotion media which can be an
	2023)	Pengabdian Kepada	alternative social media for promoting GSS tourist attractions on
		Masyarakat)	a massive and immersive basis.
12.	(P. Agustina, 2023)	Jurnal Agribisnis dan	Every requirement has been met (social, environmental, and
		Pembangunan Pertanian	economic). There are several approaches to implement a green
			economy, such as through sustainable management, which is
	/T 11 0 TT 1	OVE A TOTAL POLICE AND A LAR	can be done in various ways.
13.	(Lesdiana & Hukom,	SIBATIK JOURNAL	The implementation of the green economy has started in an
	2023)		attempt to achieve ecologically sound development in
			Yogyakarta, with a focus on protecting the environment and
14	/Hamanus C	Madia Harida Teles	enhancing the city's tourism industry.
14.	(Herawati et al.,	Media Ilmiah Teknik	Environmental factors are directly involved in economic
15	(Pahamuddin at al	Lingkungan	development
15.	(Baharuddin et al.,	Jurnal Ilmiah MEA	By implementing green economy ideas, all tourist villages have
	2023)	(Manajemen, Ekonomi, dan	been implemented to importance of community involvement in
		Akuntansi)	fostering sustainable economic development and enhancing the
			health and sustainability of the local economy and need for
			collaboration between the community, government, and
16	(Ahmad Draigh	Proceeding International	educational institutions.
16.	(Ahmad Drajat, 2023)	Proceeding International Conference on Economic	As a form of seriousness in implementing green economic development, Indonesia has stated that it is ready to enter the era
	2023)	Business	of electric cars.
17.	(Pundenswari et al.,	Moderat: Jurnal Ilmiah Ilmu	The achievement of the results shows that the community that
17.	•	Pemerintahan	has been fostered by Experts from DLH is able to process their
	2023)	1 CHICHHAIIAH	waste independently
18.	(Nuryanti et al.,	Jurnal Ekonomi	The study was interviewed with six institutions to focuses on
10.	2024)	Pembangunan	managerial techniques in cash waqf management and the
	<u>-047</u> )	1 Chibanganan	management of cash waqf has not yielded maximum results to
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No.	Researcher, Year	Journal	Result
· ·			improve the management of waqf, aiming to increase its benefits
			for mauquf 'alaih.
19.	(Sari et al., 2024)	Jurnal Ilmiah Manajemen,	Based on these findings, recommendations were made to
		Ekonomi, & Akuntansi	support the development of Muslim-friendly tourism in
		(MEA)	Lampung Province.
20.	(Syahwildan &	Lentera Pengabdian	The education division held an online and offline national
	Nurpribadi, 2024)		seminar with the theme "Green Economy towards Sustainable
			Development in Indonesia" which received a positive response
			from several participants.
21.	(Amini et al., 2024)	SWARNA	The results of this activity are useful for MSME players who gain
		Jurnal Pengabdian Kepada	in-depth insight regarding the application of green economy in
		Masyarakat	their business scope.
22.	(Andika et al., 2024)	Jurnal Pendidikan Tambusai	The concept of green economics in developing halal tourism has
			been implemented quite well by the tourism department.

This literature review of 22 scholarly articles discloses that the green economy plays a vital role in fostering sustainable regional tourism development in Indonesia. The discoveries show that integrating green economic principles not only enhances environmental sustainability but also meaningfully boosts local economies. For instance, the research by Lubis et al., 2022) shows that applying green practices can increase the economic income of local residents by 50% to 70%. This tourist attraction the potential for green initiatives to create economic opportunities for communities surrounding tourist destinations, thereby aligning economic growth with environmental conservation.

A key feature of the green economy is the utilization of local resources. According to Pratiwi et al. (2022), communities can leverage their regional potential through sustainable practices, which not only enhances tourism but also improves resident livelihoods. This method encourages residents to engage with their environment responsibly, ensuring that tourism development is both economically viable and environmentally sound. Furthermore, Wijayanti & Ramlah (2022) emphasize that both blue and green economies significantly influence on local income levels, suggesting that sustainable performs in tourism can lead to improved financial consequences for communities.

The role of local governments is also serious in enabling green tourism development. L. D. Agustina et al., (2022) highlight the importance of government initiatives in making infrastructure, such as access roads and green spaces, which improve the attractiveness of tourism sites. Furthermore, technological addition plays a vital role in supporting sustainable practices. Research by Srikalimah et al., (2022) discusses the implementation of advanced wastewater treatment systems in tourism areas, showcasing how the technology can help manage resources efficiently and also encourage eco-friendly tourism. Despite the positive results, challenges remain in the full implementation of green economy principles. Saputri Toebajoe et al., (2023) note that in some areas,

like as the Pasir Putih tourist village and the application of these principles is not yet fully realized, representing a need for ongoing efforts to overwhelmed barriers. Furthermore, Anggraini et al., (2023) point out that the green economy contributes to waste minimization and sustainable resource management, which are vital for enhancing the sustainability of tourism operations. This tourist attraction the importance of community involvement and collaboration among stakeholders to foster a more sustainable tourism sector.

The literature review highlights the multifaceted role of the green economy in regional tourism development in Indonesia. The results reveal that integrating green economic principles not only improves environmental sustainability but also promotes economic growth, community engagement, and better human resource quality. The Indonesia navigates the challenges and also opportunities presented by the green economy, the visions from this review can inform policymakers, practitioners, and communities in their efforts to create a sustainable and wealthy tourism sector. The emphasis on community involvement, technological integration, and government support will be vital in realizing the full possible of the green economy in Indonesia's tourism landscape.

#### Conclusion

The literature review highlights the significant role of the green economy in promoting sustainable regional tourism development in Indonesia. The integration of green economic principles not only enhances environmental sustainability but also fosters economic growth, community engagement, and improved human resource quality. The findings indicate that local communities can benefit substantially from green initiatives, with potential income increases of 50% to 70%. However, challenges remain in fully implementing these principles across various regions. Continued collaboration among stakeholders, including

local governments, communities, and the private sector, is essential to overwhelmed barriers and maximize the benefits of the green economy in tourism. As Indonesia endures to embrace sustainable practices, the insights from this review can guide policymakers and practitioners in creating a resilient and prosperous tourism sector.

The Strengthening Community Engagements are vital to enhance community involvement in tourism development by providing training and resources that empower local residents to contribute actively in green initiatives. This can lead to more sustainable practices and improved livelihoods. Government Support and Policy Outlines: Local governments should develop and implement the supportive policies that enable the change to a green economy in tourism. This includes investing in infrastructure, providing motivations for sustainable practices, and ensuring that environmental regulations are enforced.

The Adoption of innovative technologies in processes significantly tourism enhance can sustainability. Stakeholders should discover digital strategies and advanced resource management systems to encourage eco-friendly tourism. Monitoring and Evaluation: Establishing healthy monitoring and evaluation frameworks will help assess the effectiveness of green economy creativities in tourism. Regular valuations can provide appreciated insights and inform necessary adjustments to plans and policies. The Education and Awareness Campaigns: Increasing awareness about the benefits of the green economy among stakeholders, including tourists, can foster a culture of sustainability. The Educational programs and campaigns can promote responsible tourism performs and encourage visitors to support eco-friendly initiatives.

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