

# Profit Sharing System for Rice Farming Business on Moslem Communities in South Sulawesi

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**Abstract:** This study aims to examine the profit sharing system of rice farming business in Muslim communities in South Sulawesi. The research method uses descriptive qualitative with literature study based on the Qur'an and Sunnah to determine whether the profit sharing system is applied according to Islamic sharia. Data sources used in this study are primary data collected by interview and observation methods. The data obtained were then analyzed descriptively qualitative and measured by comparing profit sharing with provincial minimum wages and returns on sukuk investments. The results showed that profit sharing of rice farming business is applied to moslem community in South Sulawesi, and showed that profit sharing received by farmers was greater than minimum wages standard in South Sulawesi Province and profit sharing received by the landowners was greater than the sukuk return if using tertiary irrigation channels.

**Keywords:** profit sharing, rice farming business, farmer, landowners

## 1. Introduction

In an agrarian society, Indonesia, land occupies an essential position in people's daily live. For them who live in rural areas where the majority work as farmers, land has a primary role to fulfill the needs of good daily live. The purpose of the land becomes increasingly crucial along increasing the number of people who need area to live, to make business and to be an object that are cultivated.

Profit sharing of rice farming is a form of agreement between farmer and landowner based on contract that farmer is allowed to cultivate the territory, and provide profit sharing to both farmer and landowners. Profit sharing of rice farming is one of the agreements that relates to land. In this agreement, another objek that is not land can be allowed to be a profit sharing contract such as crops, the right to work on, cultivate, or plant the area, etc. (Harsono , 1997: 116).

In South Sulawesi Province, profit sharing contracts of agriculture is still popular. The farmer agreement of agricultural land with profit sharing system has been carried out starting from a long time ago and has been passed down through generations from now to the present. The profit sharing contract of agricultural production based on trust and agreement between sharecroppers and landowners is the main trust for a farmer to be able to license to manage agricultural land. While the agreement that includes the rights and obligations of each party are also determined by themselves, the results of the exploitation of the land will be divided according to the agreement agreed upon (Iko, 2008). While the time limit of profit sharing contract that applies is no standard benchmark, all of them are based on agreement between the owner and farmer, usually based on the rice growing season when the planting season until the harvest season arrives, the agreement is automatically terminated due to the nature of profit sharing agreement is not written or oral only.

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The determination of the profit sharing ratio between farmer and land owner in each region tends to different depend on habits carried out in the area. Lease agreement and profit sharing is still no standard. Therefore, it is necessary to conduct research to find out the factors that underlie the contractual practices for the profit sharing of agriculture in South Sulawesi.

The practice of profit sharing contract of agriculture that have developed have not been further analysis to determine whether the contract that has been practiced so far does not conflict with *muamalah fiqh* practiced in the management of agricultural products in Islam. Therefore, practice or understanding of profit sharing contract of agriculture is essential position to be used as a comparison of profit sharing contract of rice farming bussiness that have been running in the community of South Sulawesi with a profit sharing system for agriculture that provides justice to obtain income.

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In fiqh, Profit sharing system in the management of agricultural land is known as *muzara'ah* and *mukhabarah* . Rahman (1995: 260) mentions that, profit sharing of rice farming is one of tillage that has been carried out since the time of the Prophet. In processing with this system, landowner will receive a certain portion that has been determined from the production based on the agreement and generally is given in a form of crops, it can be half, one third, or one quarter of farmers.

According to Suhendi (2002: 160), *muzara'ah* and *mukhabarah* are being sharia in order to avoid ownership of livestock that is less able to be used, because there is no land to cultivate and to avoid unused land. *muzara'ah* and *mukhabarah* contract, profit sharing contract, concern on concept of cooperate that technical problem can be adjusted by *syirkah* in an effort to unite the potential that exists on each party with the aim of being mutually beneficial.

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Based on prior theory and study, the research problem is how do the agricultural production sharing systems apply to Muslim communities in South Sulawesi? And does the profit sharing obtain the minimum income that is required by the government?

To present the results of this study, researchers will elaborate on the stages of the agricultural process consisting of the irrigation process, land preparation, planting, maintenance, harvesting, and post-harvest.

## **2. Results**

### **2.1 Production Process**

In this research, water is used as a media of irrigation. Although the irrigation is prepared by government, the problem is how to put water into the rice fields in rural area. There are farmers who use small-scale water pump machines that are only able to irrigate rice fields covering 1 ha each day, another one use medium scale water pump with a capacity of 10 ha each day, but there are also tertiary irrigation that do not use pumping machines. As a result, irrigation costs of production is different depend on distance from irrigation that prepared by government.

The rice production process begins with the preparation of rice farming land (rice fields) , seed planting, crop maintenance, harvesting, and post-harvest. The land preparation process includes paddling and processing of paddy fields to be ready for planting. In general, farmer rent hand tractors to loosen the land. 1 ha of land tilling costs incurred farmers to hire tractors and labor usage varies between 1,000,000 – to Rp1.700.000, -.

After the paddy fields are grazed, planting which includes seeding stage until the process of planting rice seeds on the land is done. there are also including the methods carried out by farmers in planting rice. In general there are two alternative methods of planting rice seeds, (1) Tabela (direct seed planting) is distributing seeds that are still in the form of grain directly on the paddy field. To do the Tabela, farmers use a simple Tabela tool which is usually made by paralon pipes and two wheels on the sides. Paralon pipes are filled with rice seeds and perforated with a certain distance that can impact to applying rice seeds that will fall from a hole at any given distance depending on the arrangement by the farmer (generally 25-27 cm apart). (2) Tapin (transplanting) is the technique of planting rice through the nursery process then transferring the seeds to the land. The use of one of the two methods will affect the number of seeds used and the amount of costs that must be incurred by farmers.

After the seeds are planted, the plant maintenance process, including fertilizing, giving pesticides, and cleaning weeds that can interfere with crops, is carried out. Therefore, in the process of maintaining rice plants, the factor of production used are fertilizers and pesticides. The use of fertilizers and pesticides varies depending on soil conditions and the type of fertilizer and pesticides used by farmers.

The next step is the waiting process. With consideration of speed, efficiency, and effectiveness, in general, farmers use harvesting tools and labor from other companies. Mini combine harvester, called "*oto*" or "*passangki*" by local people, is usually used by farmer. *Oto pasangki* has several functions, cutting the grain of the plant, eroding, cleaning the grain, and automatically inserting the grain into the sack. The amount of the use of *oto pasangki* is based on profit sharing. The profit sharing ratio varies depending on the region.

The next activity is the transport of grain from the rice fields to the sales / warehouse. The activities carried out are transporting grain from rice fields to mills and the homes of each farmer or owner. The farmers in each regency generally use a motorcycle taxi, called *tassi* in the local community. The cost of *Tassi* is borne by each owners (both land owners and farmers) after the production process of rice grain. The cost of *tassi* per sack is generally Rp10,000, - for each sack.

## **2.2 Production Cost**

Based on the information above the amount of costs incurred to process area of 1 ha is as follows:

[Insert table 1]

Based on the table 1, information can be obtained that the highest of total production costs are found in Sidrap regency when using diesel engines as the irrigation media and the total production costs are relatively low in Pangkep regency.

## **3. Discussion**

### **3.1 Profit-Sharing System**

Before the profit sharing is carried out, the landowners and farmers firstly agree on the costs that have been borne jointly and the costs that have been only borne by the farmers. In general, the costs that have been borne jointly include the costs of planting, maintenance costs, harvesting costs, and transportation costs. The costs of irrigation in Soppeng and Sidrap regencys that use pumping machines are borne jointly, while the cost of irrigation, by using tertiary channels, and the cost of preparing land are borne by the farmers. Thus the total costs that are borne by the owner and the expense of farmers can be seen in table 2.

[insert table 2]

After the agreement of cost for dependents exist is determined the profit sharing ratio. The ratio of profit sharing between land owners and farmers is generally 50 %: 50%. The amount of profit sharing received by landowners and farmers can be seen in table 3.

[insert table 3]

### **3.2 Net Income of Cultivating Farmers**

After obtaining net income earned by each party, the researcher then measured the proportionality of net income earned by farmers through comparative analysis with Provincial Minimum Wage, called UMP, in South Sulawesi. Based on the Decree of Governor of South Sulawesi Number 2628 / X / 2017 concerning the determination of the South Sulawesi

Provincial Provincial Minimum Wage in 2018, the magnitude of the UMP in South Sulawesi is Rp.2,647,767, - for each month. The Provincial Minimum Wage is adjusted to the standard number of working hours as stipulated in Law No.13 of 2003 article 77 paragraph 2 which states that the stipulated work time is 40 hours a week.

Because there are differences between the number of working hours of the farmer and the number of working hours of the UMP standard, the researcher tried to equalize the total working hours by using the total working hours of the farmer as a reference. Based on information obtained from interviews with smallholders in the five regencies, the average total working hours of tenant farmers in one season is 240 hours with details of working hours as follows:

- Rice planting : 2 hours/day x 25 days = 50 hours
- Rice maintenance : 2 hours/day x 27 days = 54 hours
- Harvest waiting period : 2 hours/day x 61 days = 122 hours
- Harvesting of rice : 2 hours / day x 7 days = 14 hours

When compared with the provincial Minimum Wage standard :

- The standard number of working hours per week is 40 hours, so for a total of 240 hours of work, workers should work for 6 weeks or about 1 month 2 weeks  
Standard UMP / month = Rp. 2,647,767, -Standard UMP / week  
= Rp. 661,942,
- Total UMP for 6 weeks (1 harvest season)= Rp3,971,651, -
- Total UMP for 1 year (2 harvest seasons) Rp.7,943,302,-

The total UMP for 1 year is the basis of comparison with net income earned by farmer for 1 year (2 harvest seasons) in the five regencies that are the object of this study. The comparison is presented in Table 4 following

[insert table 4]

According to the table 4, it can be made conclusion that net income received by sharecroppers in five regencies in equivalent of one year has exceed the UMP standard by the government.

### **3.3 Net Income by Landowners**

When the landowner decides to enter into an agreement of profit sharing with farmer, it means that the landowner has invested as much as the land price at that time, by receiving return in the form of income derived from the profit sharing of the agricultural business. Therefore, in term to calculate the value of profit sharing for landowners, researchers conduct a comparative analysis between the obtained landowners income from investing in Shariah-based.

In this analysis, researchers used retail sukuk instruments. On February 22, 2018, the government issued the SR-10 Series Retail Sukuk in 2018 as one of the sharia investment products, with a reward of 5.9% / year (kemenkeu.go.id, accessed on April 17, 2018).

The reason researchers chose retail sukuk as a comparative investment instrument because retail sukuk is one of the affordable Islamic investment products with a minimum investment of Rp.5,000,000, - beside that the procedure of investing through retail sukuk is easy so it allows general public to participate in investment through retail sukuk.



			n (kg)	n	Prepara tion	g	e		hectare	
1	Sidr ap	(1) Tertiary Channels	7 ,700	-	1,70 0,000	1, 000,0 00	2,24 0,000	2,85 1,200	700, 000	8,4 91,200
		(2) Pumping Machines		2, 000,0 00	1,70 0,000	1, 000,0 00	2,24 0,000	2,85 1,200	700, 000	10, 491,20 0
		(3) Diesel Engines		6, 821,7 60	1,70 0,000	1, 000,0 00	2,24 0,000	2,85 1,200	700, 000	15, 312,96 0
2	Sop peng	Pump Machine	7 ,500	6, 392,0 60	1,00 0,000	85 0,000	1,35 0,000	3,29 0,000	1,12 5,000	14, 007,06 0
3	Pinr ang	Tertiary Channels	6 ,000	-	1,40 0,000	1, 700,0 00	2,03 0,000	3,00 0,000	600, 000	8.73 0,000
4	Pan gkep	Tertiary Channels	6 ,600	-	1,50 0,000	1, 360,0 00	405, 000	2,80 8,000	1,10 0,000	7,1 73,000
5	Bul ukumb a	Tertiary Channels	8 ,800	-	1,00 0,000	1, 200,0 00	1,31 5,000	4,12 8,000	800, 000	8,4 43,000

**Table 2.** Total Costs borne by farmer and landowner

o	R egenc y	Irr igatio n Medi a	O wner / Far mer	Irriga tion Process	Land Preparati on Process	Pla nting Process	Maint enance Process	Har vesting Process	Tra nsporta tion Process	Total cost
	Si drap	T ertiar y chann el	O wner	Rp0	Rp0	Rp. 350,00 0	Rp1,1 20,000	Rp1 ,425,60 0	Rp. 323,00 0	Rp.3, 218,600
		F arme r	F arme r	Rp0	Rp. 1,700,00 0	Rp. 650,00 0	Rp1,1 20,000	Rp1 ,425,60 0	IDR 323,00 0	Rp. 5,218,60 0
		P ump Mach ine	O wner	Rp0	Rp0	Rp. 350,00 0	Rp1,1 20,000	Rp1 ,425,60 0	Rp. 215,00 0	Rp. 3,110,60 0
		F arme r	F arme r	Rp.2, 000,000	Rp. 1,700,00 0	Rp. 650,00 0	Rp1,1 20,000	Rp1 ,425,60 0	Rp. 410,00 0	Rp. 5,775,60 0
		Di esel engin e	O wner	Rp. 3,410,88 0	Rp0	Rp. 350,00 0	Rp1,1 20,000	Rp1 ,425,60 0	Rp2 53,000	Rp. 6,559,48 0
		F arme r	F arme r	Rp. 3,410,88	Rp. 1,700,00	Rp. 650,00	Rp1,1 20,000	Rp1 ,425,60	Rp2 53,000	Rp. 8,559,48

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			r	0	0	0		0		0
	S oppen g	P ump Mach ine	O wner	Rp3,1 96,030	Rp0	Rp0	Rp.47 5,000	Rp1 ,645,00 0	IDR 397,00 0	Rp. 5,713,03 0
			F arme r	Rp3,1 96,030	Rp. 1,000,00 0	Rp. 850,00 0	Rp.87 5,000	Rp1 ,645,00 0	IDR 397,00 0	Rp. 7,963,03 0
	Pi nrang	T ertiar y chann el	O wner	Rp0	Rp0	Rp2 50,000	Rp. 1,015,00 0	Rp1 ,500,00 0	Rp. 270,00 0	Rp3, 035,000
			F arme r	Rp0	Rp. 1,400,00 0	Rp1 ,450,00 0	Rp. 1,015,00 0	Rp1 ,500,00 0	Rp. 270,00 0	Rp. 5,635,00 0
	Pa ngkep	T ertiar y chann el	O wner	Rp0	Rp0	Rp0	Rp20 2,500	Rp1 ,404,00 0	Rp. 490,00 0	Rp.2, 096,500
			F arme r	Rp0	Rp. 1,500,00 0	Rp1 ,360,00 0	Rp20 2,500	Rp1 ,404,00 0	Rp. 490,00 0	Rp.4, 956,500
	B uluk mba	T ertiar y chann el	O wner	Rp0	Rp0	Rp0	Rp.62 0,000	Rp.2, 064,000	Rp. 360,00 0	Rp3, 044,000
			F arme r	Rp0	Rp. 1,000,00 0	Rp1 ,200,00 0	Rp.69 5,000	Rp.2, 064,000	Rp. 360,00 0	Rp. 5,319,00 0

**Table 3.** Profit sharing obtained by Landowner and Farmer

o.	Reg ency	Irr igatio n Medi a	O wner / Far mer	Tot al Harves ting (sacks)	P rofit Shar ing (sac k) (a)	A verag e Weig ht for each Sack (kg) (b)	G rain pri ce (kg ) (c)	Gr oss Profit (Rp) (ax bxc)	To tal Cost (Rp) (fr om the table)	Net profit
	Sid rap	Te rtiary Chan nels	O wner / Far mer	70	3 5	1 10	4 ,80 0	18, 480,00 0	3, 218,6 00	15, 261,40 0
			F arm		3 5			18, 480,00	5, 218,6	13, 261,40



		er						0	00	0
		Pu	O		2			12,	3,	9,1
		mp	wne		3.3			302,40	110,6	91,800
		Mach	r					0	00	
		ine	F		4			24,	5,	18,
			arm		6.6			446,40	775,6	670,80
			er					0	00	0
		Di	O		3			18,	6,	11,
		esel	wne		5			480,00	559,4	920,52
		engin	r					0	80	0
		e	F		3			18,	8,	9,9
			arm		5			480,00	559,4	20,520
			er					0	80	
	Sop	Pu	O	75	3	1	4	17,	5,	11,
	peng	mp	wne		7.5	00	,70	625,00	713,0	911,97
		Mach	r				0	0	30	0
		ine	F		3			17,	7,	9,6
			arm		7.5			625,00	963,0	61,970
			er					0	30	
	Pin	Te	O	60	3	1	5	15,	3,	11,
	rang	rtiary	wne		0	00	,00	000,00	035,0	965,00
		Chan	r				0	0	00	0
		nels	F		3			15,	5,	9,3
			arm		0			000,00	635,0	65,000
			er					0	00	
	Pan	Te	O	11	5	6	3	12,	2,	10,
	gkep	rtiary	wne	0	5	0	,90	870,00	096,5	773,50
		Chan	r				0	0	00	0
		nels	F		5			12,	4,	7,9
			arm		5			870,00	956,5	13,500
			er					0	00	
	Bul	Te	O	80	4	1	4	20,	3,	17,
	ukumb	rtiary	wne		0	20	,30	640,00	044,0	596,00
	a	Chan	r				0	0	00	0
		nels	F		4			20,	5,	15,
			arm		0			640,00	319,0	321,00
			er					0	00	0

**Table 4.** Comparison of Net Income of Cultivating Farmers with Provincial Minimum Wages

No.	Regency	Irrigation Media	A	B	C	B - C
			Net Income in 1 Season (Rp)	Net Equivalent in 1 Year (Ax2)(Rp)	Ekuevalen UMP in 1 year (Rp)	Excess Farmer Income from UMP

1	Sidrap	Tertiary channel	13,261,400	26,522,800	7,943,302	18,579,498
		Pump Machine	18,670,800	37,341,600	7,943,302	29,398,298
		Diesel engine	9,920,520	19,841,040	7,943,302	11,897,738
2	Soppeng	Pump Machine	9,661,970	19,323,940	7,943,302	11,380,638
3	Pinrang	Tertiary channel	9,365,000	18,730,000	7,943,302	10,786,698
4	Pangkep	Tertiary channel	7,913,500	15,827,000	7,943,302	7,883,698
5	Bulukumba	Tertiary channel	15,321,000	30,642,000	7,943,302	22,698,698

**Table 5.** Comparison of Investment Income of Landowners

No.	Regency	Irrigation Media	Land Price (A)	1 Year Profit Sharing	Net Return Sukuk Investment Per Year	Excess of Agricultural Product Sharing on Returns of Sukuk per Year(1-2)
1	Sidrap	Tertiary Channels	Rp.500,000,000	Rp.26,522,800	Rp25,075,000	Rp1,447,800
		Pump Machine	Rp.500,000,000	Rp37,341,600	Rp25,075,000	Rp.12,266,600
		Diesel engine	Rp500,000,000	Rp19,841,040	Rp25,075,000	Rp5,233,960
2	Soppeng	Pump Machine	Rp250,000,000	Rp19,323,940	Rp.12,537,500	Rp.6,786,440
3	Pinrang	Tertiary Channels	Rp.200,000,000	Rp.18,730,000	Rp10,030,000	Rp.8,700,000
4	Pangkep	Tertiary	Rp.500,000,000	Rp.15,827,000	Rp25,075,000	Rp9,248,000

		Channel				
		s				
5	Buluku mba	Terti ary Channel s	Rp.300,00 0,000	Rp 30,642,000	Rp15,045, 000	Rp. 15,597,000