# THE ROLE OF PANCASILA EDUCATIONAL SUBJECTS AND CITIZENSHIP IN THE CHARACTER FORMING OF STUDENTS IN ONLINE LEARNING PERIOD

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## Abstract

The purpose of this study is to describe the role of Civics subjects as a means of forming student character in the online learning period. The data collection method used is a study of literature such as journals, books related to the role of Civics subjects as a means of forming student character in the online learning period. The results of the study show that Pancasila and Citizenship Education have an important role in the learning process, in which PPKn contains material related to character education. In the formation of character can not be separated from the values contained in Pancasila. In the implementation of online learning there needs to be cooperation between teachers and parents. Therefore, in the learning process, one of the means for the formation of the character of students is the subject of Pancasila and Citizenship Education.

Keywoard: Civic Education, Character Building, Online Learning

# Introduction

During the current covid-19 pandemic, it has an impact on the order of life in Indonesia. Which is one of the impacts that can be felt on the education sector. In accordance with the issuance of Circular No. 4 of 2020 which is related to the increasing spread of Corona virus Disease (Covid-19), the government prioritizes health for all teachers, students and school residents. Therefore, the government makes policies in the education sector, one of which is an online learning policy (study from home) or online learning. As a result of the Covid-19 outbreak making changes to the learning process, the change in question is where learning is usually carried out face-to-face (offline) but currently the learning process is carried out online and online learning is currently an effective solution that can be applied during this Covid-19 pandemic. According to (Bilfaqih and Qomarudin, 2015) Online learning is a new way in the learning process that transfers face-to-face learning to online learning that uses electronic devices, namely laptops, cellphones, or the internet in delivering material. (Bilfaqih & Qomarudin, 2015) At the beginning of the notification about online learning, teachers or students must feel foreign in online learning but over time they will get used to it.

In the learning process, it is not only focused on increasing student knowledge or the final result of the learning, but also the need to strengthen the character of students in online learning. Strengthening the character of students is an effort to equip students to have good character, and have

superior competencies in the era of the fourth industrial revolution, namely being able to think critically analytically, creatively, and communicatively, and collaboratively. 20 of 2018 concerning Strengthening Character Education. Education is a means of supporting character formation, where character education is a national movement to create schools that foster ethical, responsible, and caring participants through modeling and teaching good character. (Nurjanah, 2018) Character is a unique value in character, morality and personality, which is formed through the internalization of various policies that are considered and used as a way of observation, thought, behavior, conversation and behavior in everyday life. (Dewi et al., 2021) In the current online learning period, the character of students tends to decline, which students should be aware of the importance of Civics subjects especially during the current covid-19 pandemic, which is the role of Pancasila and Citizenship Education This is in accordance with the purpose of Civics, namely so that every citizen can become a good citizen (to be a good citizen) who can understand and carry out his rights and obligations as citizens. Characters that during face-to-face learning (offline) are getting eroded over time, in which good habits that are usually practiced become not practiced.

Therefore, the subject of Pancasila and Citizenship Education (PPKn) has a very important role in the formation or strengthening of the character of students. According to Aji, Civics is

learning that has a mission to foster values, morals, and norms in a complete and sustainable manner, which is in accordance with the objectives of Civics, namely to form good citizens, and be aware of their rights and obligations. (Dahliana et al., 2019) In accordance with the purpose of PPKn which is to form the character of good citizens, therefore it can be concluded that good education is a process that is not only limited to giving and receiving learning, but behind the learning there is a positive attitude that can Therefore, Civics is a place to increase awareness of the younger generation towards character and provide hope that can bring students to behave in accordance with the objectives of Civics to bring the nation to the appropriate character through the Civics learning process.

In practice, online learning is a challenge that is felt by teachers, as we know that online learning is a learning system whose learning system utilizes technology. students, especially in the formation of the character of students. is a forum for increasing awareness of the younger generation towards character and providing hope that can bring and lead the younger generation to have behavior in accordance with the goals of Civics which will bring the nation to the desired character through the Civics Education vehicle process with good provisions in the composition of the lessons learned by students. . However In fact, in the current online learning period, many students do not heed or even understand that Civics subjects have an important role in the current online learning period. Students only think about how to get maximum results in learning but forget that it is important to apply character values.

# **Literature Review**

## Pancasila and Citizenship Education

Pancasila and citizenship education are learning subjects that are a means of developing the quality of citizens through fostering the character of citizens and shaping the nation's personality with the mission of building citizens who are aware of the role of position and have a sense of nationality and love for the homeland. (Umami, 2019) According to Minto Rahayu, Pancasila and Citizenship Education aims to equip students with basic knowledge and skills in the relationship of Pancasilaist Indonesian citizens with the state and fellow citizens. (Iskandar, 2017) The subject of Pancasila and Citizenship Education is a forum for students to distinguish good and bad things and fortify themselves from behavior that is not in accordance with the values or norms that exist in society.

# **Character building**

Character is a person's nature, which is owned from internalization with his environment. A person's character will be good if it is based on the moral and ethical values that exist in society. Which in a literal sense, character has a psychological meaning or psychological nature because it is related to personality, morals or character, character, qualities that distinguish each person. (Noe, 2004) Which according to Nopan Omeri said that character is a combination of morals, ethics, and morals. (Elvira et al., nd) The character building is done by cultivating positive things for children, within the scope of schools, families, and in the community environment where the goal is to form characters that are in accordance with norms and moral rules in life in society.

# **Online Learning**

During the current pandemic, the learning process is carried out online. The learning policy implemented online is a very appropriate solution to be applied during the current covid-19 pandemic, which is why online learning is carried out in order to avoid crowds and can break the chain of covid-19 spread. Online learning is the use of the internet to access learning materials, and to interact with teachers or lecturers, in order to gain support in the learning process that aims to gain knowledge, create understanding and to develop from the learning experience. (Diva et al., 2021) In the application of online learning, this is evidence of the industrial revolution 4.0, where access to technology is not limited, so online learning is possible. (Risnajayanti, 2020) Therefore online learning is learning that is carried out between teachers and students through the use of the internet network, which even though learning is done online but activities such as Google Classroom, Video conferencing such as Zoom Meeting, Google Meet, and other applications. other supports, but adjusted again to the school depending on what kind of application they want to apply in learning activities.

### Method

This research method is a qualitative descriptive research method. According to Rukin, qualitative research is research that is descriptive in nature and tends to use an approach that develops understanding, concepts from the findings of facts to eventually become a scientific theory. (Results et al., 2021) And using data collection techniques in the form of literature studies from several relevant references and direct interviews with the discussion of the role of Civics in character building in the online learning period. The data collected was analyzed descriptively qualitatively, which means to know how the role of Civics subjects in shaping students' character in the online learning period.

## **Results**

Based on the results obtained, it shows that Pancasila and Citizenship Education play an important role in the formation of the character of students, where PPKn subjects construct the values of the nation's character through PPKn subjects, Civics is one of the compulsory subjects of every level of education, which starting from elementary school to university level. The formation of national character through Pancasila and Citizenship Education is something that is mandatory because with the existence of Civics subjects it can form intelligent characters and also have noble character so that their existence in social life becomes meaningful and has character. Especially in the current online learning period, students often ignore the application of character values, which students only think about how to get maximum results but do not apply good character values. Therefore, Civics has an important role in shaping the character of students in the current online learning period.

## **Discussion**

Pancasila and Citizenship Education (PPKn), there are 3 competency standards, namely, knowledge), knowledge (civic disposition (civic attitudes) and civic skills (citizenship skills). dignified. (Kusnawi Basyir, 2013) Therefore, Civics teachers have a role in guiding the good moral behavior of students, and the behavior that is applied inside and outside the classroom. Which is appropriate in the 2013 curriculum which contains Core Competencies and Basic Competencies for Civics subjects related to character education. Pancasila and Citizenship Education have an important role in the learning process, in which Civics contains material related to character education. In the formation of character can not be separated from the values contained in Pancasila, therefore in the formation of character in schools does not stand alone, but is implemented in an integrated manner into every subject, especially in Civics. integrated values, nationalism, obeying social rules, democratic, honest, respecting diversity, aware of the rights and obligations of self and others. (Abdullah, 2019)

The role of Pancasila and Citizenship Education is to build students into intelligent and character young generations which can be done by using appropriate learning strategies, being good facilitators in every learning process, and being able to instill good values through exemplary in attitude and behavior in the school, family and community environment. (Rianto, 2015) Pancasila and Citizenship Education can be used as a means in forming the character of students, in which Pancasila has life values that can be used as

guidelines in carrying out social life. Teachers in schools who teach subjects according to their fields are very diverse, especially teachers of Pancasila and Citizenship Education subjects who have an important role in shaping the character of students in schools. According to the 2013 curriculum, Civics is one of the subjects that must instill character in students in developing spiritual, social, knowledge, and skill competencies. (Sahabsari & Suwanda, 2022)

Learning that is carried out online today is a challenge for teachers who must continue to be responsible for shaping the character of students, so that students have good, superior and moral personalities in social life. In accordance with Law No. 20 of 2003 concerning the National Education System in Article 3, which states that national education functions to develop capabilities and shape the character and civilization of a dignified nation, here it is clearly seen that the target of character education is the entire community, especially students. (Sulistiyowati, 2013) Therefore, in the learning process, students are not only required to improve the learning outcomes, but in terms of character building, they must pay more attention. PPKn in forming the character of students in the online learning period is a challenge for both teachers and students, which is usually in face-toface learning, but due to the pandemic outbreak, the best solution in the current situation is online learning, which is by implementing it. online learning policy to prevent students from crowds to avoid the spread of the covid-19 virus.

Civics subject is a compulsory subject in schools whose purpose is to develop the intelligence of students to become citizens in the spiritual, rational, emotional and social dimensions of developing responsibilities as citizens, in order to become an advanced society. (Grestiani et al., 2022) Pancasila and Citizenship Education are appropriate subjects for the formation of the character of students, which is clear in substance Pancasila and citizenship education is a means of character building. Civics is a foundation in the formation of character and national identity, which means that Civics subjects educate students who will later become good and smart citizens. Character building according to Nucci & Narvaez is an effort worth pursuing in itself, because the learning process is not just about getting results that can be brought to school, for example academic achievement. (Ahmadin & Sabia, 2021) From this perspective it can be understood that, the most important goal of character building or education is to prepare young people or students to live a developing life. PPKn aims to raise the character of students to become citizens in accordance with the values of Pancasila, which include the value of piety, the value of faith,

the value of honesty, the value of caring, to the value of ethics or manners. (Siantayani, 2011) Civics subjects are the right means to implement character values in the Civics learning process, which basically aims to make students become citizens who have noble personalities, become democratic citizens and have character. in accordance with the values of Pancasila.

In the implementation of online learning, the formation of the character of students must not only be formed at school but also at home, the character of students must be formed, especially in online learning. students, students should not ignore the character values that have been formed or embedded. The character of students must be strengthened, because the character of students is related to the realization of a cultured Indonesian nation. (Hariyanto et al., 2019) So that is the role of PPKn in forming or strengthening the character of students in the learning process, teachers can use several ways, one of which is for example, in learning students are given assignments, which if students do assignments on time teachers can give rewards, for example, praise to students, and give punishment to students who are late in collecting assignments or even those who do not collect assignments which is one of the efforts to build the character of students, namely the character of discipline. In the formation of character, it should not be ignored, because good character is a provision for the future in social life. Therefore, it is important to strengthen the character of students during online learning so that students do not lose the values of the nation's character.

#### Conclusion

Pancasila and Citizenship Education have an important role in the learning process, in which Civics contains material related to character education. In the formation of character can not be separated from the values contained in Pancasila. In the learning process, students are not only required to improve their learning outcomes, but in terms of character building, they must pay more attention. PPKn in shaping the character of students during the online learning period is a challenge for both teachers and students, which is usually in face-toface learning, but due to the pandemic outbreak, the best solution in the current situation is online learning, which is the implementation of learning policies. online is to prevent students from crowds to avoid the spread of the covid-19 virus. Civics is a foundation in the formation of character and national identity, which means that Civics subjects educate students who will later become good and smart citizens. Civics subjects are the right means to implement character values in the Civics learning process, basically the purpose of Civics is to create

students to become citizens who have noble personalities, become democratic citizens and have character in accordance with the values of Pancasila. The role of PPKn in forming or strengthening the character of students, teachers can use several ways, one of which is for example, in learning students are given assignments, which if students do assignments on time the teacher can give *rewards*, for example, praise to students, and give punishment to students who are late in collecting assignments or even those who do not collect assignments which is the formation of the character of students, namely the character of discipline. Therefore, in character building, it should not be ignored, because good character is a provision for the future in social life.

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