

## COMPLETION REPORT

### Research Summary

#### A NEW HOPE OF LIFE FOR THE ELDER PEOPLE THROUGH THE PROVISION OF BETTER FACILITIES

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The speed of ageing of the elderly in Indonesia had created various serious problems. Physically and psychologically of elderly is tend to decrease, this will lead the elderly have many difficulties in doing their daily activities. Most of them are depending their life to family member or other people. Some of problems effected the elder condition are poverty, early pension, loneliness, traumatic condition post natural disaster, etc. Many of elder people suffered and felt very hopeless in facing this life. They always say that “No more hope to live”. To handle such kind of problem, one of the efforts of Indonesia National Government, provided housing for the elderly. But, the provision of buildings and dwelling by government that were suitable for elderly stays in a very short time is very limited and still could not accommodate the need of the elderly. Senior housing or “Panti Jompo” or “Panti Wreda” is actually place that dislikeable especially for the elderly. Most of Indonesia elder people do not intend to stay in this kind of housing even though the housing is full furnished by complete and modern facilities. Most of them are prefer to stay in their own house. But unfortunately the quality of senior housing, presently, is still under the standard and very simple. The facilities used to be in this public senior housing/”panti Jompo” consist of dining room, living room, washing room, drying room, toilet, administrative room but the quality is poor and not friendly to elder people. The design of the elderly housing and the facilities are not based on “universal design”. Therefore, the elder people mostly met any difficulties in doing their daily activities especially for those who are independently living and no assistance assist them. For those who are dependently living, their living is totally depended on the elderly housing staffs.

For elderly who needs better facilities, they have to pay more to stay in private senior housing and they have to make any reservation before they could enter the private senior housing.

If we compared to Japan, there is a big gap in terms of elder facilities. Elder people are really paid attention by the Japan government. There are many types of senior housing provided in Japan with all completed with modern facilities. Everything inside is well organized, clean and concerning universal design in every single building. Such condition encourages elderly to stay in senior housing rather than they have to stay in their own house.

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