

Participant Information Sheet

Study Title: The Influence of Changing Family Dynamics on Intergenerational Support in Kampong Ayer, Brunei Darussalam

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Please read this information carefully before deciding to take part in this research. It is up to you to decide whether or not to take part. If you are happy to participate you will be asked to sign a consent form.

What is the research about?

My name is Kartini Rahman, I am a PhD student from the University of Southampton. This research is about intergenerational relationships and support. My academic study is funded by the Centre for Strategic and Policy Studies (CSPS), of Brunei Darussalam. I am an Associate Researcher at the CSPS, and I am on study leave.

Why have I been asked to participate?

You are suitable to take part because you are connected to the community I am interested in for this research. You are not required to participate in this research, you have the right to refuse, and there is no penalty if you refuse.

What will happen to me if I take part?

There will be multiple conversations with me over the next 6 months. You can choose the number of conversations you wish you have, and it is up to you whether our conversations are audio-recorded. The first time we meet I might ask you lots of questions about your life, your family relationships and support. This will take one to two hours. After that I might visit you for shorter conversations. I will take notes on the surrounding environment and activities which may take place during my visit. I will ask you if I can take a photograph of anything that I think may be useful. Interviews will be at a time when it is suitable for you.

Are there any benefits in my taking part?

This research will help me understand how families and older people support each other. This research helps the Kampong Ayer community voice out any issues. There are no direct benefits

for anyone taking part, by you may benefit by sharing your experience and reflecting on your family life and community.

Are there any risks involved?

There may be questions I ask which can cause distress. You don't have to answer any questions you don't like. If you want to leave the research, you can leave any time during the 6 months of data collection.

Will my participation be confidential?

Yes. I will want to write about the experiences of Kampong Ayer people I talk to. I will do this in a way which does not identify the community or you. For this reason I will not use your real name or any information which can identify you. All the information which I collect will be password protected on my computer. We will follow strict confidentiality and data protection guidelines.

What happens if I change my mind?

You have the right to leave the study at anytime during the 6 months of data collection. There will be no penalties if you leave. Any data collected from you will be destroyed.

What will happen to the results of the research?

Results will be written up as my PhD thesis. A final hard copy of the thesis will be kept at the University of Southampton's library. This will eventually be publically available. The results of the research will also be written up as a policy brief. You can be given a copy of the policy brief, when it is published.

Where can I get more information?

Please contact Kartini Rahman by phone (phone number), or email @soton.ac.uk if you have any questions.

What happens if something goes wrong?

If you have any concerns about the study, please contact the University of Southampton's Research Integrity and Governance Manager (+44, @soton.ac.uk).

Thank you.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and for thinking about taking part in the research.