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CRIME in the midst of society has undergone various changes, both in terms of form, type, motive, even to the cause of occurrence. The legal aspects in responding to crime are not only related to aspects of law enforcement or repression, but also prevention. Law is considered as a way to create a peaceful and prosperous society, one of which is through social engineering. In many countries, including Indonesia, industrialization, urbanization and rapid social change are among the causes of the emergence and development of various crimes.

To highlight the significance development of crime in the society, this Journal volume is dedicated to discuss several issues related to the criminal law, crimes and society. Najih, for example, discuss the ideas of penal reform in Indonesia. Using a legal perspective and local wisdom approach, he analyzes how to create a law—criminal law—based on Indonesian characters. He promote the concept of penal reform by local wisdom Pancasila approach to provide justice and legal certainty which is in accordance with the character of Indonesian people. Another author, Syahrin, discusses how legal reform and policy is needed to resolve current condition in immigration crimes. He analyzes that the authority of PPNS Investigators on immigration crime cases need to be strengthened. An article by Ash-shidiqqi and Wibisono focuses specifically on the corruption and the village accountability. They argue that

the Village Law in Indonesia and village funds raises various misuse of use, one of which is corruption of village funds. However, the problem is in the aspects of accountability management, which according to them, need to be encouraged not only by the government but also the community.

Another article by Wibowo analyzes the corporate responsibility the case of money laundering. He discusses about whether the company can be subjected as criminal actors and in what way the company can be subjected. He emphasized that in the globalisation era, money laundering and corruption is one of the worst enemies of business because it can result in far-reaching consequences. The clear and firm law enforcement, according to him is one of the important factors in solving this problem. Another article by Pasaribu focuses on community policing or *Pemolisian Masyarakat, Polmas* on combating narcotics and drugs abuse crimes. She highlights the important role of society in reducing crime. Article by Arifin discusses about the method handling the juvenile delinquency. He argues that the proper and the right method will effectively reduce the crimes committed by children. He emphasized the important role of LPKA Kutoarjo as one of special institution in dealing with child crime.

Article written by Lewerissa concerning to the relationship between illegal fishing and illegal immigrant in the contexts of crimes. She revealed that many illegal fishing cases in Indonesia were also accompanied by several immigration and smuggling problems. In almost the same context, article written by Widyawati focuses on migrant workers protection.

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