

Duties and Functions of a Professional Teacher at Madrasah Ibtidaiyah (MI) Pandanaran Yogyakarta

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Abstract

In the word of education, the duties and functions of a professional teacher are very important, because a professional teacher has big duties and responsibilities, namely to motivate, educate, facilitate and train students. Education is an important thing to prepare for the future, with that in education requires effective learning and also requires professional teachers in order to achieve the desired goals. The research is a type of qualitative research taking the background of MI Pandanaran Yogyakarta. Data collection was carried out by conducting observations, interviews and documentation. From the results of our research, it shows that the duties and functions of a professional teacher greatly influence students. Meanwhile according to the principal at MI Pandanaran as a professional principal, that is, always overseeing the course of learning at school and taking part in tasks in the administration section. Meanwhile, according to one teacher at MI Pandanaran said that a professional teacher must be able to convey material and condition students and always upgrade themselves so that the material presented is not monotonous and always keeps up with the times.

Keywords: *Teacher, Professional, Task, Function.*

1. Introduction

Talking about education is a very interesting topic to discuss, because education is the most important and main thing in the context of building the nation and state. Talking about education certainly will not be separated from someone who is very big in his services, namely a teacher, because teachers are a key source of success in the world of education. As educators today, what is needed is a professional teacher who prioritizes quality in order to produce quality graduates as well. But in today's era, the more advanced technology, the more advanced the tight competitiveness, therefore professional teachers are one of the factors to build a quality educational institution.

A professional teacher is a teacher who has extensive knowledge, and does not just rely on text books in the teaching process (Nur Illahi 2020). The success of education in the teaching and learning process is very dominant with professional teachers. One proof of achieving learning objectives is that students can understand and understand and apply the material provided by the teacher in everyday life (Munawir 2022).

The teaching and learning process is the most important activity in schools, therefore as stated by one of the teachers at MI Pandanaran, professional teachers must be able to manage the teaching and learning process starting from planning, implementing to evaluating the learning process that is carried out properly. Thus, professional teachers are needed to educate students to be more directed and prioritize ethics and manners (adab).

Understanding the description above, it can be interpreted that the services of a professional teacher are very great in helping the growth, creativity and development of students. Teachers have duties and functions that cannot be separated from each other, namely in the form of teaching skills, educating, guiding, and training. These

tasks and functions are very important in shaping the personality of children as well as developing, prospering the community and advancing the state and nation.

2. Research Methods

The method used in this study is a qualitative method using a descriptive approach, how to obtain the data is by observation through interviews. Qualitative research is a research process to understand human and social phenomena by creating a comprehensive picture and presented with real words or facts (Walidin, Tabrani 2015) While descriptive brarti researchers try to make a systematic, accurate, and factual picture of a fact to between the phenomena studied (Nazar 2014).

Data from this study was conducted by observation with interview method. Observation is direct and systematic observation and recording of the symptoms to be studied. The implementation of this observation was carried out once at MI Pandanaran which was carried out on April 20, 2023. Which involves the principal, teachers as well as students in MI pandanaran. This interview activity aims to find out how the performance of a professional principal and teacher and find out how satisfied students are with the teachings that have been delivered by teachers so far.

3. Results and Discussion

Professional Teacher

In the big dictionary Indonesian as explained by Mujtahid in his book entitled "Teacher Professional Development "A teacher is someone who works, livelihoods, or professions teaching then he Sri Minarti said that teachers come from Sanskrit which means heavy, big, important, very good, honorable and teachers quoted from the opinions of Dutch experts, namely J.E.C. Gericke and T.Roorda (Nur Illah 2020). In general, to be a good teacher and can be considered to be able to fulfill the responsibilities imposed on him, he should be devoted to Allah, knowledgeable, physically healthy, good in character and national spirit.

In a simple sense, a teacher is a person who provides knowledge to students. Then the teacher in the view of society is a person who carries out education in certain places, not necessarily in formal educational institutions, but can also be in mosques, in surau or mushola, at home and so on³. While Supardi in his book entitled "Teacher Performance" explains the definition of teachers according to Law of the Republic of Indonesia Number 14 of 2005 concerning Teachers and Lecturers, that teachers are professional educators with the main task of educating, teaching, guiding, directing, training, assessing, and evaluating students in early childhood education, primary education, and secondary education formal education pathways (Supardi 2014).

Professional Teacher Duties

Teacher is a position that requires special skills, as a teacher this job cannot be done by just anyone outside the field of education. The duties of a professional teacher include educating, guiding, teaching, and training, educating means continuing and developing life values and personality to students. Guiding is directing students to be able to sort out between good and right between negative and positive. Teaching means developing science and technology while training is developing skills to learners.

To become a teacher, teachers must be able to make themselves second parents to their students. Any lesson that a teacher will give should be a lesson that can motivate a student to become a good and qualified student, Being a teacher is just paying attention to the materials that will be given to students but being a teacher must also pay attention to his appearance, why is that because when a teacher's appearance is no longer dancing attention as his students then the first failure he will not grow the seed of teaching In students, students will be reluctant to face teachers who are less attractive.

As a professional teacher, teachers are not only required to carry out their duties but must also have professional knowledge and abilities.

Competence That Must Be Mastered by A Professional Teacher

To make qualified students, a teacher must master these 4 competencies, namely: pedagogic, professional, social, and personality competencies. The development of teachers' professional abilities is one of the human resource developments that must be the attention of principals and supervisors, Various continuous and dynamic

activities require changes that can help teachers to easily face the demands of the development of individual school and community needs (Oding Supriyadi 2019).

In order to develop teachers' teaching abilities in order to adapt to the rapid development of knowledge and technological advances, it is necessary to develop teacher professionalism. Professional development is intended to further develop knowledge and improve teachers' teaching skills. This can be done through various activities, both those pursued by the teachers themselves and those pursued by their leaders (principals and supervisors)

Professional Teachers According to Principals, Teachers and Students at MI Pandanaran

According to Mr. Muhammad Rizki Dwijadmoko as the principal of MI Pandanaran means that the Professional Principal is by improving the curriculum that has been set by holding workshops every new school year and followed by all teachers and students and supervising the course of learning at school and taking part in administrative duties. To choose professional teachers in MI Pamdanaran schools, choose teachers who graduated from S1 to get qualified and responsible teachers.

According to Mrs. Woro Praweswati as the homeroom teacher in grade 6 MI Pandanaran Efforts to become professional teachers, teachers must master the material that will be delivered to students, be able to condition their students in class, and the development of technology today teachers must be more able to upgrade themselves to better known technology problems. Mrs. Woro Praweswati's effort to more easily understand her students is by teaching using the tik tok application as a means of supporting learning in class by watching or making videos about the results of student skills, so that students are not easily bored in class.

Likewise, according to Aldira, as a grade 6 student, a professional teacher is a teacher who can understand his students well and on time in teaching, according to Aldira, the teacher who teaches at his school is very professional because he can teach his students well, namely by often giving practice questions and then evaluating together.



Figure 1. Together with the principal of MI Pandanaran



Figure 2. Together with the principal of MI Pandanaran

4. Conclusion

Based on our observations, the functions and duties of a teacher must be considered and enacted in order to realize professional teachers and produce young generations who will become the successors of the nation. Teacher is a position that requires special skills, as a teacher this work cannot be done by just anyone outside the field of education. The duties and functions of the teacher are to educate, guide, teach and train. Meanwhile, to make qualified students a professional teacher must apply 4 competencies, namely Pedagogic competence, professional competence, social competence, personality competence. Teachers have a very big responsibility in carrying out their role as educators in schools.

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