

ABSTRACT

The majority of corruption cases within the scope of local government were carried out during goods/services procurement projects. This study aims to reveal corruption in public procurement that uses a special allocation fund budget by empirically identifying patterns of corruption in public procurement and strategies for eradicating corruption cases of public procurement of special allocation funds in the different experiences of ex-corrupt convicts and prosecutors of public procurement corruption cases at the X District Educational Office. The result of the study shows that there are three meanings of corruption in the public procurement of Special Allocation Fund for the X District Educational Office, including: repetitive corruption, ‘bagongan’ partners, and lock-in techniques. The patterns of corruption in Special Allocation Fund’s public procurement at the District X Educational Office can be identified into five sub-patterns of public procurement corruption based on the subject of corruption, namely: patterns of public procurement corruption between partners, patterns of public procurement corruption between partners and producers, patterns of public procurement corruption in internal partner companies, patterns of corruption in public procurement between partner companies and government entities, and patterns of corruption in public procurement within government. The strategies for eradicating public procurement corruption cases are divided into preventive, detective and repressive strategies. Included in the preventive strategy is the effective and efficient synergy of internal and external prevention. The detective strategies for eradicating public procurement corruption cases are to identify red flags and mens rea from reports of public complaints and competitors between partners. The repressive strategies in eradicating public procurement corruption cases are to create a humanist justice system, increase prison terms, prosecute all corruptors, and draw up clear regulations.

Key words: Public procurement corruption; special allocation fund; repetitive corruption; lock technique; ‘bagongan’ partners.