CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Apprenticeship

State Polytechnic of Bengkalis is a vocational campus that educates its students to create competent spirits in various fields. The State Polytechnic of Bengkalis implements an apprenticeship program that is required to be followed by all final semester students.

Apprenticeship, better known as practice work, also abbreviated as KP, is a series of activities that include an understanding of scientific theories and concepts applied in work according to the field of study. Apprenticeship can increase students' knowledge and skills and help them solve scientific problems in accordance with the theories they learn in college. Apprenticeship is carried out so that students can understand and apply well to the field of study. In addition, so that students can know the profession and work atmosphere in accordance with their study program, so, apprenticeship is a useful place for students to use as a tool to gain knowledge and work experience. An apprenticeship is also one of the requirements for obtaining an applied bachelor's degree.

In this program, specifically for English Department students in semester 6, apprenticeship activities are carried out for approximately 4 (four) months by choosing their own place and location for apprenticeship. However, before choosing a place to do this program, the apprenticeship coordinator provides students with several options, the author is interested in carrying out an apprenticeship in the tourism sector, namely Disparbudpora Bengkalis.

In general, the Disparbudpora of Bengkalis contains all public policies within the agency and specifically discusses public policies in the tourism, culture, youth, and sports sectors related to the APBD, which are prepared based on the allocation of funding needs accommodated in the 2021–2026 RPJMD.

1.2 Purposes of the Apprenticeship

The apprenticeship activities of State Polytechnic of Bengkalis students in the English Department study program have the following objectives:

- 1. To know main jobs descriptions during apprenticeship.
- 2. To know working procedures during apprenticeship
- 3. To know the obstacles during the apprenticeship.

1.3 Significances of the Apprenticeship

The apprenticeship carried out is very beneficial for several parties, such as students, companies, and State Polytechnic of Bengkalis.

1. Significances for Students

There are several benefits from the implementation of apprenticeship programs obtained by students, namely as follows:

- 1) Get a certificate from the company if you have completed the apprenticeship program.
- Students can develop work relationships and add experience to their resumes.
- 3) Students have the opportunity to apply theoretical and conceptual knowledge in the real world of work.
- Students gain practical experience in applying theoretical or conceptual science according to their study program.
- 5) Students have the opportunity to be able to analyze problems related to science that are applied in their work according to their study program.

2. Significances for Company

The benefits of implementing apprenticeship programs are also obtained by companies and institutions that accept apprenticeship students, such as:

- 1) The company will receive labor assistance from students who do apprenticeships so that the work becomes a little lighter and easier.
- 2) The company will be recognized by academics and the world of education.
- 3. Significances for State Polytechnic of Bengkalis

There are several benefits from implementing the apprenticeship program obtained by the State Polytechnic of Bengkalis, which are as follows:

- There is good cooperation and relationship between the campus and the company where students do their apprenticeship.
- State Polytechnic of Bengkalis can improve the quality of its graduates through student apprenticeship experiences.
- The State Polytechnic of Bengkalis will be better known in the industrial or corporate world.
- 4) The State Polytechnic of Bengkalis receives feedback from organizations and companies on the abilities of students who take part in apprenticeships in the world of work.
- The State Polytechnic of Bengkalis receives feedback from the world of work for curriculum development and learning processes.