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A Decade of Intrahousehold Dynamics on the Contraceptive Use Decision: Results from the Indonesia Family Life Survey

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Within the households, husbands and wives both accumulate and own assets individually or collectively and they use these assets differently. This study investigates the 14 years intrahousehold dynamics on liquid assets holding and share, decision making within a household, and their correlation using the Indonesia Family Life Survey (IFLS) data. Having insight on the successful of family planning in Indonesia, the focus of this study is to examine the relationship between asset holding and the decision making on contraceptive use.

The results show that there are shifting on type liquid asset owned by household between 2000 and 2014. Household owned vehicles increased by 29-31% in 2014. Though the ownership of household on jewelry declined in 2014, this pattern was not followed by the decline of share on jewelry by women. Based on type of asset, women's share on more liquid assets in the form of jewelry and other liquid assets indicate stronger women's autonomy as it has positive and substantial effect on in the decision of contraceptive use. This finding embraces that control over resources indeed strongly correlated to the intra-household power relation. Having more assets might facilitate fertility decline through the increase demand of contraceptive.