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Analysis Of Decision Number 331/Pdt.G/2025/Pa.Bgr About The Impact Of Online Judi On Household Protection (Case Study Of Bogor Religious Court)<sup>1</sup>

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#### Abstract

The rise of online gambling in the digital era not only raises legal and moral concerns but also poses a serious threat to family resilience. This phenomenon often becomes a significant trigger of household conflict, particularly when one partner is involved in gambling practices, leading to the neglect of economic responsibilities, emotional instability, and the breakdown of family relationships. This study aims to analyse Decision Number 331/Pdt.G/2025/PA. Bogor is a representative case of divorce caused by online gambling addiction. The research employs a descriptive qualitative approach using a case study method. Data were obtained through interviews with a judge at the Bogor Religious Court and document analysis of the court decision. The findings reveal that the husband's involvement in online gambling directly disrupted the economic functions of the family, including neglect of financial support, the sale of household assets, and debt accumulation. Moreover, this addiction undermined family harmony, eroded trust, and diminished the well-being and future of the children, ultimately resulting in divorce. The factors that drive individuals into online gambling include easy access to information technology, economic instability, irregular employment, permissive social environments, and the desire to gain instant profits. These findings indicate that online gambling is a real threat to family resilience and requires serious attention from various parties through legal, social, and educational measures.

Keywords: Online Gambling; Household Resilience; Court Decision

#### A. INTRODUCTION

The development of digital technology, while offering convenience, has also led to social problems such as online gambling. Online gambling is increasingly worrying because it has spread to various groups, including those who are married (Fauzi et al., 2024). Online

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gambling addiction is not only a matter of norm violation, but also a significant threat to household resilience, especially when the responsibilities of one partner are neglected.

Household resilience refers to the family's ability to face pressures and challenges without compromising its function as the smallest unit in society (Wicaksono et al., 2023). In the Islamic legal system and teachings, the husband is primarily responsible for protecting and providing for the family. When husbands are involved in online gambling practices, various consequences arise, such as neglect of maintenance, neglect of wives and children, and even goods at home are sold only for online gambling. This not only damages the economic foundation of the family but also erodes trust and security in the relationship between husband and wife. In the end, it often leads to divorce as the final solution.

Data from the Financial Transaction Analysis and Reporting Centre (PPATK) shows that the turnover of online gambling money from the Bogor area reached Rp. 1.1 trillion, consisting of Bogor city, Rp. 612 billion and the Bogor regency, Rp. 567 billion. This figure places the city and regency of Bogor in second and third place in the region, with the most significant transaction value in Indonesia, behind West Jakarta with Rp. Seven hundred ninety-two billion and ranks first (TEMPO.C, Jakarta).

Divorce cases in the religious court environment caused by online gambling addiction are increasingly worrying. The Bogor Religious Court Decision No. 331/Pdt.G/2025/PA. Bgr illustrates how the husband's (defendant) continued online gambling resulted in neglect of maintenance and ongoing conflict that impacted household resilience. The trial of this case highlighted that the negative impact of online gambling is not limited only to the economic aspect, but also adds a psychological dimension and a threat to household resilience. How dangerous online gambling is to household resilience, especially regarding the roles and responsibilities of the husband.

#### **B. METHOD**

The research employed is a descriptive qualitative approach. Qualitative research is a type of descriptive research that employs a case study approach. Descriptive in qualitative research refers to systematically describing facts, characteristics of the population, or specific aspects (Nurlina & Muhyiddin, 2017).

According to Creswell, a case study is a qualitative research approach. aims to understand in depth an issue or problem through intensive analysis of one or several cases in a specific period. This research collects data from various sources, including observation, documentation, and interviews, to gain a comprehensive understanding of the topic (Fiantika, Wasil M, Jumiyati, Honesti, Wahyuni, Jonata, 2022). This method was applied in the research to provide a clear picture of Decision Number 331/Pdt.G/2025/PA.Bgr, a court decision that has permanent legal force.

### C. RESULT AND DISCUSSIONS

# 1. Analysis of Decision Number 331/Pdt.G/2025/PA. BGR Regarding the Impact of Online Gambling and Its Impact on Household Resilience

Decision No. 331/Pdt.G/2025/PA. BGR indicates that online gambling was the primary factor contributing to the breakdown of the household between the plaintiff and the defendant. In this case, the respondent, the husband, had an affair with another woman and

had been gambling online since 2022. His addiction to online gambling not only drained the family's finances but also encouraged him to sell various household items to obtain additional funds for online gambling. These actions created economic instability in the household, undermined trust between husband and wife, and led to prolonged arguments. The accumulation of these impacts led to the gradual collapse of the household's resilience, and the plaintiff filed for divorce.

During the examination of the case, the Panel of Judges concluded that the household's resilience could not be maintained. The plaintiff, namely the wife, no longer felt safe, comfortable, and protected in her household. In the Compilation of Islamic Law (KHI), specifically Article 116 letter (f), it is confirmed that divorce can be used as a solution if there is continuous disagreement between husband and wife, and there is no hope of getting along again (Nabilla Alya Adelia, 2019). In this case, the element of 'no hope of reconciliation' was proven in court. Thus, divorce was used as the most realistic and humane solution to maintain the rights and dignity of the wife and her children.

The researcher also conducted in-depth interviews with two judges from the Bogor Religious Court, who served as the primary informants. Mr Drs. Sangidin, S.H., M.H., said that online gambling is not only a form of legal violation, but also a real threat to household stability. A husband who has been addicted to online gambling tends to neglect his main obligations as head of the family, namely providing physical support, educating children, and maintaining household harmony. The addiction is destructive, because it damages gradually, starting from the economy, then extending to emotions, and eroding communication between family members. Similarly, Mr Zainal Ridho, S.Ag, M.H., said that access to online gambling is effortless. Anyone can access gambling sites using only a smartphone and a connection.

The impact of online gambling on household resilience includes:

- a. Economic Impact and Family Responsibilities: Online gambling addiction significantly undermines the economic foundation of the household and thwarts the fulfilment of the husband's responsibilities as head of the family. Based on Decision No. 331/Pdt.G/2025/PA. Based on the judge's interview, it appears that the gambling habit led to the diversion of funds that should have been used for the family's basic needs, such as wife and child support, education, and health, into betting capital. The case revealed that the husband's actions, including selling household assets and incurring debt, demonstrated a total disregard for the family's financial well-being. This condition not only creates economic instability but also violates the husband's obligation, as mandated by the Marriage Law, to provide for his family.
- **b.** Impact on trust and harmony: Online gambling addiction erodes trust and harmony in a husband and wife relationship. The act of gambling is often hidden or accompanied by lies about finances and time allocation, which slowly undermines the wife's trust in her husband. Economic problems that arise are protracted in the household. An atmosphere filled with tension and conflict removes the warmth and peace that is essential for the creation of a harmonious family, as revealed by the judge that online gambling is one of the leading causes of filing for divorce.
- **c. Impact on Children's Welfare and Future:** The husband's online gambling addiction has a profound negative impact on the children's welfare and future. The neglect of paternal responsibility is reflected in the non-fulfilment of children's basic needs, including clothing, food, education and health. In addition, growing up in a family environment

riddled with conflict and economic instability can interfere with children's psychological development. The wife's concern about the potential for imitation of the father's gambling behaviour is a serious consideration, which encourages protection efforts through filing for post-divorce custody. Thus, online gambling not only damages the relationship between husband and wife, but also threatens the future of the next generation of families.

Resilience refers to strength, robustness and resilience. As a trait, resilience reflects a person's ability to remain steadfast in the principles and basic rules that form the basis of their attitudes and actions, despite the circumstances around them. Based on Law Number 52 of 2009, Article 1, Paragraph 1, household resilience is defined as a condition of family resilience and welfare that possesses the skills and physical and material abilities to live independently, thereby improving welfare and happiness (Candle Clara Cantika, 2022).

In Islamic law, a husband has a position as a family leader or qawwam, who has the responsibility to protect and provide for his wife and children, as stated in Al-Qur'an surah An-Nisa verse 34 reads:

Meaning: Men (husbands) are in charge of women (wives) because Allah has favoured some of them (men) over others (women) and because they (men) have spent some of their wealth. The righteous women are those who obey (Allah) and take care of themselves when their husbands are absent, because Allah has taken care of them. Those women whom you fear may be unfaithful, admonish them, leave them in bed, and (if necessary) beat them (in a way that does not hurt). However, if they obey you, do not look for ways to trouble them. Verily, Allah is Most High, Most Great. (Q.S. An-Nisa: 34).

If the husband fails to fulfil this fundamental obligation, it indicates a violation of the main principles in building a household full of tranquility (*sakinah*), love (*mawaddah*), and grace (*warahmah*), as explained in the Qur'an surah Ar-Rum verse 21 reads:

Meaning: Among His signs is that He created mates for you from your own kind so that you may be at peace with them. He creates love and affection between you. Surely in such things are signs (of Allah's greatness) for the thinking people (Q.S. Ar-Rum: 21).

From the analysis of the verdict and its impact on household resilience, it is clear that online gambling can shake the fundamental pillars of the household. This has an impact on household resilience, as the economic aspect is shaken because income is no longer prioritised for household needs, but is spent on online gambling. Secondly, the trust and emotional aspects are damaged because the partner feels betrayed. Third, the aspect of continuity of childcare is also affected, as parental conflict can impact the psychological well-being of children. Fourth, the aspect of legal protection for the wife and children becomes important because they are at risk of neglect, which ultimately encourages the wife to file for divorce.

Based on Decision Number 331/Pdt.G/2025/PA.Bgr, it becomes a juridical reflection that online gambling can be a valid reason for divorce from the perspective of Islamic law and positive law. The Panel of Judges not only considers the formal elements of the law but also

takes into account the psychological conditions and the well-being of the parties, especially the wife and children.

Based on what has been described above, through the analysis of Decision Number 331/Pdt.G/2025/PA.Bgr, it can be concluded that online gambling is not only a violation of the law, but also a serious threat to household resilience. Online gambling addiction triggers damage to various aspects of family life, ranging from economic, emotional, to social relationships between family members. When the husband, as the leader of the household, fails to fulfil his role due to online gambling, the resilience of the household will slowly collapse. This decision is concrete evidence that the destructive impact of online gambling can be used as a valid reason for divorce.

# 2. Factors that cause online gambling to hurt household resilience

The results show that the involvement of one party in online gambling, especially the husband, has a direct impact on the breakdown of household resilience. Online gambling addiction not only damages the financial aspect but also destroys emotional stability, communication, and trust in the household. When a husband is trapped in a gambling habit, the consequences do not only concern him, but also all family members, especially the wife and children who are victims of this instability.

This condition is exacerbated by the fact that other destructive actions, such as neglect of livelihood, sale of assets at home, and accumulation of debt, often accompany online gambling addiction. In Decision Number 331/Pdt.G/2025/PA.Bgr, the respondent was proven to have sold items in the house to gamble online. These actions are not only materially detrimental but also affect the sense of security and trust in the household, which are important components of household resilience.

When someone gambles, it can change their behaviour, such as being closed, angry, manipulative, and challenging to discuss with. In this context, the husband's role as head of the family, which is supposed to be that of protector and support, becomes a threat to the household's stability. The wife also experiences ongoing mental distress, as she is faced with the fact that her life partner has changed and is no longer reliable in carrying out household roles.

Based on interviews with judges of the Bogor Religious Court, it was found that the factors that cause online gambling to harm household resilience, such as economic factors, Social Environmental Factors, and Information Technology Factors, are the primary triggers for someone to fall into online gambling. When this condition is left without any intervention, both family and legal, then the destruction of the household is only a matter of time. Here are some factors that hurt household resilience:

#### a. Economic Factors

Every family has a responsibility to ensure economic security for all its members. This includes the ability to obtain a stable source of income, fulfil basic needs such as food, clothing and shelter, and support family education and health (Handayani, 2021). However, if someone gambles online, it can hinder a husband's ability to earn and maintain a stable income. Money that should be used to fulfil basic household needs, such as children's education and healthcare, is instead diverted to gambling activities. In addition, online gambling addiction often leads to poor management of family finances. Prioritisation in spending becomes chaotic, as the desire to continue gambling takes precedence over meeting the family's more pressing needs.

The statement of Mr Drs. Sangidin, S.H., M.H., regarding the impact of online gambling on the provision of maintenance for wives and children, is very relevant. He stated that the majority of divorce cases caused by online gambling in the Bogor Religious Court showed complaints from wives regarding the reduction or even loss of maintenance because the husband was involved in this illicit activity. Extreme conditions can occur where family assets are sold to finance gambling addictions.

In line with this, Mr Zainal Ridho, S.Ag., M.H., highlighted how economic hardship is one of the drivers for someone to enter online gambling as a 'shortcut' which ironically worsens the economic condition of the household in the long run. The cycle of addiction and loss in online gambling destroys a household's ability to achieve economic stability and has the potential to drag households into a financial crisis.

This research shows that online gambling has a significant impact on household economic instability. Money that should be used to fulfil basic needs is diverted to gambling, causing family financial priorities to be disrupted. This is in line with the statement of Mr Drs. Sangidin, S.H., M.H., who stated that the loss of maintenance due to online gambling is the main complaint in divorce cases at the Bogor Religious Court. In addition, according to Mr Zainal Ridho, S.Ag., M.H., economic hardship encourages individuals to gamble as a shortcut, but worsens the overall financial condition of the family.

## b. Social Environmental Factors

Online gambling has had a detrimental social impact across many aspects of life. One of the main impacts is the increase in family conflict, which is generally caused by financial problems and addictive behaviour due to involvement in online gambling. Additionally, interpersonal relationships, both within the family environment and among friends and coworkers, have also experienced disruptions that have the potential to cause social tension (Laras et al., 2024).

The addictive behaviour inherent in online gambling not only drains family economic resources but also changes the dynamics of relationships between family members. As Mr Zainal Ridho, S.Ag., M.H. said in his interview, social factors influence a person's participation in gambling, including age, background, education, and life experience.

# c. Information Technology Factors

Based on the research results through the analysis of Decision Number 331/Pdt.G/2025/PA.Bgr, it is clear that the online gambling addiction committed by the defendant has become a significant factor in the breakdown of household resilience. Online gambling is growing rapidly along with the advancement of information technology. Effortless access through mobile phones and the internet makes this activity increasingly difficult to control. The perpetrators can gamble at any time and anywhere without supervision. In this case, the respondent accessed online gambling intensely, even to the point of selling items at home to gamble online.

As stated by Mr Zainal Ridho, S.Ag., M.H., in his interview 'Online gambling occurs because of electronic communication devices, meaning that it can be tracked. This shows that online gambling can be accessed anytime and anywhere just by using electronic devices.

Based on what has been stated above, the plaintiff's online gambling addiction was the leading cause of the breakdown in household resilience. Economic factors, social environment, and information technology are key factors that impact household resilience. As stated by Mr Zainal Ridho, S.Ag., M.H., Online gambling occurs because of electronic

communication tools, meaning that it can be traced, which shows that online gambling is very accessible and challenging to control.

# D. CONCLUSION

Based on the results of research into Decision Number 331/Pdt.G/2025/PA.Bgr, it can be concluded that the defendant's online gambling addiction was the leading cause of the breakdown of household resilience. The impact on household resilience encompasses economic and family responsibilities, the influence of trust and harmony, and welfare.

Moreover, this study reveals that several key factors contribute to the adverse impact of online gambling on household resilience, namely economic factors, the social environment, and advancements in information technology. These three factors interact with one another, accelerating the deterioration of household functions if not appropriately addressed. Therefore, it is essential to undertake preventive measures from various parties, including families, communities, and the government, through digital education, the strengthening of religious values, and firm enforcement of laws against both the perpetrators and providers of online gambling services.

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