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Abstract: In 2007, the Central Java Province Government started the implementation of agropolitan program in some regencies with agriculture sector potentialities. The program promoted Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area establishment in Karanganyar Regency. One of the leading commodities from Suthomadansih was carrot. Carrot was considered in the program through infrastructure provision and community development programs. The objectives of the research are to investigate the value chain of carrot commodity in Suthomadansih, and to analyze how the implementation of the agropolitan program is likely to support its value chain. In doing so, there are three indicators that will be identified: the development of supporting infrastructure, agribusiness system, and human resource (Iqbal & Iwan, 2009). Both qualitative and quantitative analyses applied in the study with the performance table of the implementation of the agropolitan program and value chain analysis as the analytical tool. Referred to the value chain analysis of carrot commodity in Suthomadansih, some agropolitan-related development programs from the local government were conducted from the upstream to downstream flows of carrot commodity. However, some programs failed to support the value chain of carrot so that its improvement could not be optimized including Agribusiness Sub Terminal, Worta Cluster, Vitmaka, and Farm Road Improvement Program. The implementation of the agropolitan program was not sustainable because of the absence of the local government budget support. The program was only implemented for three years (2007-2009) so that there were no significant effects of the program on the agricultural sector, especially for carrot commodity.

Keywords: carrot, agropolitan, Suthomadansih, value chain

### Introduction

In 2007, Central Java Government has been starting the implementation of the agropolitan program in some regency that has that has the potential in the agriculture sector, Karanganyar Regency is one of them. Through this program, Suthomadansih was established in Karanganyar Regency. The leading commodity of agriculture from Suthomadansih is vegetable and fruit. It is possible due to the location of Suthomadansih

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on the slopes of Lawu Mountain. One of the leading commodities from Suthomadansih is carrot commodity. Carrot commodity is then taken into consideration in the implementation of the agropolitan program, in form of provision of infrastructure and community development programs.

The implementation of the agropolitan program in Karanganyar was originally initiated from farmer groups as named Taman Sari in Tawangmangu District at 2006. The action is then followed up by *Kimpraswil* (Settlement and Regional Infrastructure Board) of Central Java Province by establishing agribusiness sub terminal in Tawangmangu District, and establishing of agribusiness sub terminal in Karangpandan District, Ngargoyoso District, and Jenawi District in the following year. Development budget of the agropolitan program comes from both of Government of Central Java Province and Local Government of Karanganyar Regency. The implementation of the agropolitan program is conducted over three years (2007-2009) because the Government of Central Java Province no longer provides funding in 2010. Meanwhile, the Local Government of Karanganyar Regency also uses the budget for other agricultural programs. However, the following programs from Department of Agriculture of Karanganyar Regency still support the agropolitan program.

There are several previous researchers focusing on agriculture development in Karanganyar Regency, especially for carrot commodity. But, there is no available research focuses on carrot value chain. A research study of carrot value chain will show the cultivating process of carrot commodity in every step from on-farm (upstream) to off-farm (downstream). As well as to explain how the carrot as the leading commodity gives contribution in the development process of Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area. In addition, the research study is expected to analyze how the implementation of the agropolitan program supports the value chain of carrot as leading commodity in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area. Thus, the problem will be discussed in this study is "How the value chain of carrot in Suthomadansih is and what the contribution of the agropolitan program in supporting the value chain of carrot as leading commodity in the development process of Suthomadansih are."

### **Research Method**

In order to conduct the research entitled "Value Chain of Carrot Commodity in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area in Karanganyar Regency," quantitative method is chosen as the research approach. The quantitative research uses scientific principles, concrete, empiric, measurable, rational and systematic as research based. Meanwhile, qualitative data is also needed to support the quantitative research to conduct the analysis. The sample is actors who involve in the cultivating process of carrot commodity in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area. Therefore, some samples are a local farmer, farmer group, actors of carrot home industry, carrot collectors, and carrot retailer, as well as Local Government and NGO's as an enabler of the carrot value chain.

There are two sampling techniques used to conduct the research study, purposive sampling and snowballing sampling by the purposive sampling, the sample of the research study is only people who involved in carrot value chain. They are called as a key person who has a role in cultivating the process of carrot commodity. The second technique is snowball sampling. Snowball sampling is a determining technique of sample that is started with a small number, and then become bigger than before (Sugiyono, 2008). The field interview of the research study will be ended once the researcher believes that the information he obtains is sufficient to conduct the analysis.

In regard to the title of this research, value chain analysis is used to gain data information data information from the field. Based on onion research done by FBC in Nepal (2008), there are five stages of conducting value chain analysis, as follow:

- 1. Identify the sequencing activity of carrot cultivating process;
- 2. Compose the value chain map based on the result of the first stage;
- 3. Analysis of carrot value added;
- 4. Defining the function and actors in the value chain map;
- 5. Defining the roles of enablers.

The second analysis is aimed to identify how the implementation of the agropolitan program in Suthomadansih supports the value chain of carrot as the leading commodity. The description analysis is used to conduct the analysis. According to Iqbal & Iwan (2009), there are three variables that should be analyzed; the development of supporting infrastructure, agribusiness system, and development of human resource. Matrix comparison is chosen to identify the contribution of the agropolitan program to value chain of carrot. The table 1 describes how to conduct the matrix comparison of implementation of the agropolitan program.

Table 1. Performance of the Implementation of the Agropolitan Program in Suthomadansih	l

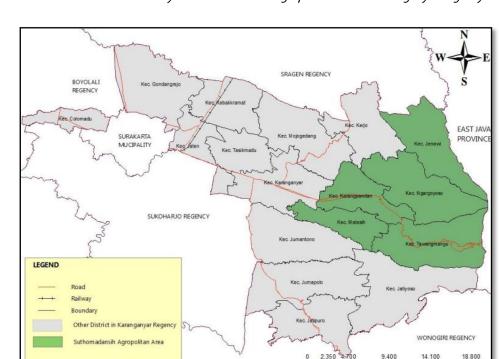
No	Variables	Expectation	Reality	Contribution to value chain of carrot
1	The development of supporting infrastructure	The target of the program in early of	The achievement	How the variable gives contribution in the
2	Agribusiness system	the implementation	of variable	development of carrot
3	Development of human resource	nent of human of agropolitan rec program		value chain

#### **Overview of Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area**

Suthomadansih as agropolitan area of Karanganyar Regency consists of five districts. They are Tawangmangu District, Karangpandan District, Jenawi District, Ngargoyoso District, and Matesih District (see Figure 1).

Agropolitan program had been implemented in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area since 2007 to 2009. Department of Agriculture of Karanganyar Regency was the government institution that conducted the program. As a multi-sectoral program, Local Planning Board of Karanganyar Regency and Department of Industry and Commerce of Karanganyar Regency also involved in this program.

As a program based on the development from below concept, agropolitan program should be initiated by the local government, in this case, Government of Karanganyar Regency. Instead of Local Government, the initiative was brought by Farmer Group as named Taman Sari from Tawangmangu District in 2006. Then, in that year, *Kimpraswil* (Settlement and Regional Infrastructure Board) of Central Java Province surveyed Tawangamangu District with an assumption that the district has potential in vegetable and fruit commodity. In the following year, at 2007, *Kimpraswil* of Central Java Province started the establishment of Agribusiness Sub Terminal at Tawangmangu District. The construction funding came from *Kimpraswil* of Central Java Province while the site was provided by Local Government.



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Source: Local Planning Board of Karanganyar Regency, 2012

# Figure 1. Map of Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area

# Analysis

There are two analyses explain in this section. The first analysis is about value chain analysis of carrot commodity. By conducting this analysis, the sequencing process of carrot cultivating in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area, from on-farm (upstream) to off-farm (downstream) will be depicted. The second analysis will investigate how the implementation of the agropolitan program in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area supports the value chain of carrot.

# Value Chain Analysis of Carrot

There are five stages of conducting a value chain analysis of carrot commodity (FBC, 2008). The first is identifying the sequencing activity of carrot cultivating process. Second, compose the value chain map based on the result of the first stage. Third, analyze the value added of carrot commodity. Fourth, define the actors and the function in the value chain map. Fifth, define the roles of each enabler.

- 1. Identifying the Sequences Activity of Carrot Cultivating Process
  - The carrot cultivating process in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area is started from the on-farm activity (upstream) to off-farm activity (downstream). There are two activities recognized as the derivative product of carrot: carrot seed production (Vitmaka) and instant carrot home industry (Worta). The seeding process (Vitmaka) includes in the on-farm activity. Meanwhile, the home industry of instant carrot (Worta) is defined as part of the off-farm activity. These two derivative products are produced by Tawangmangu's local farmers in Blumbang Village (for Worta Home Industry) and Pancot Village (Vitmaka).

### 2. Composing the Value Chain Map of Carrot

The result from the first stage is used to compose the value chain map of carrot. The value chain map of carrot will depict three characteristics: the network structure, the value added, and the governance structure as shown in Figure 2. The network structure shows the vertical and the horizontal dimensions of the carrot value chain map. The vertical dimension is the carrot value chain map itself. While the horizontal dimension shows the relationship among actors in the same chain link (among the farmer, among the collector, etc.). The governance structure shows the role (scope) of institutions as enablers in carrot value chain. Meanwhile, the value added will be depicted in separate diagram.

In the horizontal line, the carrot value chain map shows three components: the functions, the actors, and the enablers. The function refers to some activities occur in carrot cultivating process, from on-farm activity to off-farm activity. The actor refers to people who are involved in carrot cultivating process. While the enabler shows some institutions that conduct and give intervention in the sequencing process of carrot cultivating process. The description of carrot value chain map will be shown in the following Table 2.

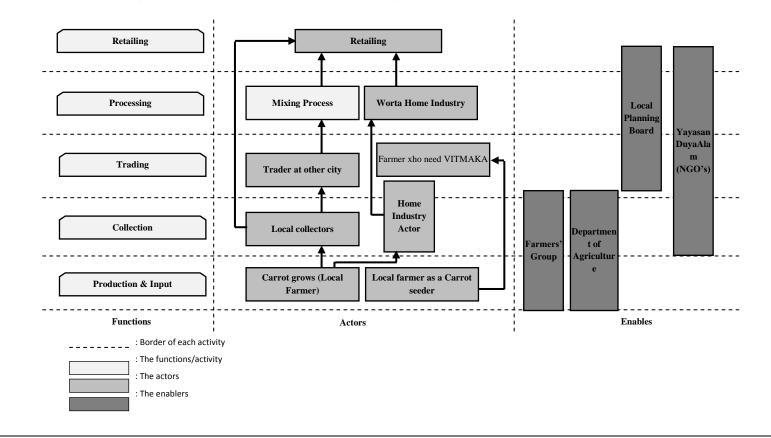
INFORMATION	INPUT	PRODUCTION	COLLECTING	PROCESSING	MARKETING
Product as an input		- Seed - Equipment - Fertilizer - Labor	Fresh carrot	Fresh carrot	<ul><li>Fresh carrot</li><li>Carrot seed</li><li>Instant carrot</li></ul>
Product as an output	- Seed - Equipment - Fertilizer	- Fresh carrot - Carrot seed	Fresh carrot	- The mix of fresh carrot - Instant carrot	<ul> <li>Fresh carrot</li> <li>Vitmaka (carrot seed)</li> <li>Worta (instant carrot)</li> </ul>
The number of involved people		<ul> <li>Based on the data of Karanganyar in figure 2009, the estimation of carrot farmer in Suthomadansih is around14,764 people (except Matesih District, there is no carrot farmer).</li> <li>Mostly, carrot farmer in Suthomadansih has an ability to produce carrot seed. But only carrot farmers in Tawangmangu District who concern in the development of carrot seed (Vitmaka). There are 12,024 carrot farmers in Tawangmangu District.</li> </ul>	The local collector in Suthomadansih is usually a member of farmer group. There are 25 farmers in farmer group, where the 2 of them are local collectors (8%). If the estimation of the local collector is 8% of the number of carrot farmer, the number of the local collector in Suthomadansih is 1,181 people.	<ul> <li>Based on the data of Karanganyar in figure 2009, the estimation of a trader in Suthomadansih is around 1,366 people. The actor that conducts the mixing process of carrot is the only trader. The retailer does not do the mixing process.</li> <li>The production of instant carrot is only conducted by farmer group in Tawangmangu District (Mekar Sari). There are 15 farmers as the member of farmer group.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Worta (instant carlor)</li> <li>Based on the data of Karanganyar in figure 2009, the estimation of trader and retailer in Suthomadansih is aroun 4,098 people, where the retailer is about 2,732 people.</li> <li>Some local farmers sell the carrot by themselves but only several farmers The estimation is about 5% (738).</li> <li>The 15 members of Mekar Sari's farmer group have roles as retailers to sell instant carrot (Worta).</li> </ul>
Program		- Local Government of Karanganyar Regency through Department of Agriculture provides funding for a local farmer. The program is PUAP ( <i>Pengembangan Usaha</i> <i>Agribisnis Pedesaan</i> ). This		- In 2007, Local Planning Board of Karanganyar Regency initiated cluster program to accommodate farmer group in Blumbang village. This farmer group (Mekar Sari) has the ability to produce instant	<ul> <li>Local Planning Board o Karanganyar Regency has a program named "Channeling Business" to support a local farme in to sell a carrot. Durin the implementation of channeling business</li> </ul>

# Table 2. The Description of Carrot Value Chain Map

INFORMATION	INPUT	PRODUCTION	COLLECTING	PROCESSING	MARKETING
		program is part of PNPM		carrot. The skill obtained	program, farmer groups
		Mandiri Program. Although		from NGO (Yayasan Duta	are invited to attend
		PUAP is not part of the		Alam) that had given	seminar, exhibition, and
		agropolitan program, PUAP		mentoring since 2002 to	auction related to carrot
		has been supporting the		2007.	marketing. Through this
		implementation of the		- Worta Cluster obtains	program, local farmers
		agropolitan program until		wrapping machine from	obtain new market
		now. PUAP provides 100		Ministry of Industry and	network for a carrot. In
		million for farmer group in		Commerce in 2013	addition, they also obtain
		sub-district level		through the Department of	new knowledge in the
		(Gapoktan). Then Gapoktan		Industry and Commerce of	production process of
		will manage the funding.		Karanganyar Regency.	carrot.
		- Department of Agriculture			- Kimpraswil of Java
		has supported supports the			Province and Local
		development of carrot seed			Government of
		since 2007. Actually, there			Karanganyar Regency
		is no name label for carrot			established agribusiness
		seed in Karanganyar			sub-terminal in four
		Regency before the			districts in
		implementation of the			Suthomadansih:
		agropolitan program. By			Tawangmangu District,
		starting the agropolitan			Karangpandan,
		program, carrot seed in			Ngargoyoso, and Jenawi
		Karanganyar Regency,			District. The agribusiness
		especially in Suthomadansih			sub-terminal is
		has been named as Vitmaka.			functioned as a meeting
		The label is aimed to			point between farmer and
		enhance the marketability of			collector to do the
		carrot seed in			transaction.
		Suthomadansih. The			- Department of
		research and development			Agriculture in 2005
		process of Vitmaka has been			initiated "Pasar Jumat"
		conducting until now. Local			as a special market for
		Government and farmer are			the farmer to sell their
		still waiting for approval of			farming products.

INFORMATION	INPUT	PRODUCTION	COLLECTING	PROCESSING	MARKETING
Problems	<ul> <li>Chemical fertilizer is supplied from other regencies.</li> <li>The price level of chemical fertilizer tends to increase.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>seed certification from Ministry of Agriculture.</li> <li>Sebelas Maret University is also involved in the development process of Vitmaka.</li> <li>Farming road improvement is a program to improve the quality of the farming road. This program has been run during the implementation of the agropolitan program.</li> <li>PUAP program is only provided for <i>Gapoktan</i> that has good track record in fund managing.</li> <li>The certification process of Vitmaka has been taking a lot of time so that Vitmaka has not been sold yet to other regencies.</li> <li>Local Government does not have sufficient budget to improve all farming roads in the whole of Suthomadansih Area. In addition, the program is also stopped in 2009.</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>There is a limitation in the production process of instant carrot. They are still using manual way to produce instant carrot so that the level production is only 50kg/month.</li> <li>Conducting the Worta home industry is not the priority choice of worta's member. Farming is the first choice so that there is no rapid progress in the development of Worta home industry.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Local farmers tend to sell carrot to a local collector rather than selling it by themselves so that they can get money more quickly.</li> <li><i>Pasar Jumat</i> as an alternative market for agriculture product now turns into a market that sells daily needs.</li> <li>Local farmers are still producing Vitmaka to fulfill their needs. They do not consider yet to produce in large scale so they could sell the carrot seed.</li> <li>The construction of Agribusiness subterminal is not in line with what the local farmer needs. Local</li> </ul>

INFORMATION	INPUT	PRODUCTION	COLLECTING	PROCESSING	MARKETING
Opportunities	<ul> <li>Mostly, local farmers in Suthomadansih are also a breeder. They utilize the waste as organic fertilizer.</li> <li>Some <i>Gapoktan</i> in Tawangmangu District has initiated to start organic farming. Therefore, a local farmer can reduce the dependence on chemical fertilizer.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Local Government can initiate the cooperation with NGOs to conduct some agriculture programs in Suthomadansih, especially in empowering program. Worta can be the reference.</li> <li>Speed up the process of certification of Vitmaka.</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Inviting the private sector to join in the development of Worta. The professional management may be more appropriate to manage Worta as a derivative product of carrot.</li> <li>There are other derivative products from carrot that can be an alternative way to increase the income of farmers, such as carrot juice, carrot crispy, and carrot noodle.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>farmer as a user of agribusiness sub-terminal was not involved in its construction. Hence, only two agribusinesses sub- terminal in Tawangmangu and Ngargoyoso District that are still run/operated recently.</li> <li>Due to the location of agribusiness sub- terminal, most farmers sell their carrot directly to a local collector in the field.</li> <li>There is an available market for carrot seed either in inside or outside of Suthomadansih, such as Dieng District in Wonosobo Regency.</li> <li>Encouraging the local farmer to produce more carrot seed (Vitmaka).</li> </ul>

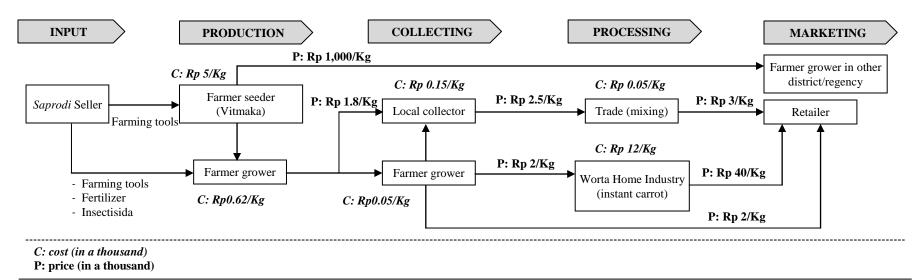




3. Carrot Value Added

Based on the carrot value chain map in Figure 3, the whole value added the process of carrot commodity in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area will be depicted in the diagram below. The detailed description about carrot value added will be explained in Table 3. Meanwhile, for deep analysis of fresh carrot and its derivative product will be presented in the following analysis.

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# Figure 3. Carrot Value Added

### Table 3. Detailed Calculation of Carrot Value Added

INFORMATION	INPUT	PRODUCTION	COLLECTING	PROCESSING	MARKETING
Detailed		Assumptions			
calculation for		Assumptions: the harvesting	Assumptions: local carrot is		
fresh carrot		process is conducted by carrot	only sold to a local trader.		
		farmer.			
		Cost			
		Carrot farmers spent ten million	Local collectors spent Rp	Local traders spent Rp	Local retailers spent Rp
		rupiahs/ha to grow a carrot. Then	1,950/kg for a carrot.	2,550/kg for a carrot.	3,100/kg for a fresh
		they could harvest about 15 ton	Here the cost detail:	Here the cost detail:	carrot.
		fresh carrot. Therefore, carrot cost	- Fresh carrot: Rp 1,800/kg	Fresh carrot: Rp 2,500/kg	Here the cost detail:
		per kg is Rp 670.	- Washing cost: Rp 100/kg.		- Fresh carrot: Rp
		Here the detailed cost:	Transportation: Rp 50/kg.		3,000/kg
		- Seed: Rp 80			- Transportation: Rp
		- Saprodi: Rp 370			100/kg

INFORMATION	INPUT	PRODUCTION	COLLECTING	PROCESSING	MARKETING
		<ul> <li>Field preparation: Rp 170</li> <li>Harvesting: Rp 50</li> </ul>			
		Revenue			
		Carrot farmers sell 1 kg carrot to a local collector for Rp1,800.	Local collectors sell 1 kg carrot to a local trader for Rp 2,500.	Local traders sell 1 kg fresh carrot to a local retailer for Rp 3,000.	Local retailers sell 1 kg fresh carrot to the consumer for Rp 3,500.
		Profit Margin			
		Carrot farmer obtains profit Rp1,130/kg.	Local collector obtains profit Rp 550/kg.	Local trader obtains profit Rp 450/kg.	Local retailer obtains profit Rp 400/kg.
		Total value per year			
		Total production carrot per year is about 114,003 kw (BPS, 2011).			Total value of fresh carrot per year is about Rp 399,010,500
Detailed		Assumptions			
calculation for carrot seed (Vitmaka)		<ul> <li>Assumption:</li> <li>Seeder uses fresh carrot grade A<sup>2</sup> as input.</li> <li>Five kilograms carrot grade A could produce 0.25 kg Vitmaka.</li> <li>The price of carrot grade A is Rp 2,000/kg.</li> <li>Operational cost<sup>3</sup> to process 1kg carrot</li> <li>Grade A is Rp 10,000</li> </ul>			
		Cost			
		In order to produce 1kg Vitmaka <sup>4</sup> , seeder spent Rp 240,000. Here the detailed cost: - 20kg carrot grade A: Rp 40,000			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Farmers in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area typically use grade A carrot in the seeding process. It is aimed to obtain high quality seeds. The difference in the carrot grade lies in the physical size, which is big for grade A (> 250gr), medium for grade B (100gr-200gr), and small for grade C (<100g). In the seeding process, one kilogram of carrots grade A will produce ± 50 grams of carrot seeds (Vitmaka). Carrot grade A can be seen in Annex 2 figure 12. <sup>3</sup> Operational cost for plastic, seeding house, seeding media (soil), fertilizer, and human resources.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Farmer seeder needs about 4-6 months to produce carrot seed (Vitmaka).

INFORMATION	INPUT	PRODUCTION	COLLECTING	PROCESSING	MARKETING
		- Operational cost: Rp 200,000			
		Revenue			
		Farmer sells 1 kg Vitmaka for Rp			
		600,000.			
		Profit margin			
		Farmer obtains Rp 360,000/kg			
		Vitmaka.			
		Total value per year			
		Area of carrot field is about 726 Ha			Total value of Vitmaka
		(BPS, 2011).			per year is about Rp
		Farmer needs 1kg Vitmaka for 1Ha			1,452,000,000
		field.			
		Carrot is growth twice a year.			
		The local need of carrot seed per			
		year is about 1,452 Kg.			
Detailed		Assumptions			
calculation for Worta		<ul> <li>The price of 1 kg sugar is Rp 10,000</li> </ul>			
		- The price of 1 kg carrot is Rp			
		2,000			
		Cost			
		Worta home industries can produce			Local trader and retaile
		50 kg instant carrots/month. They			spent Rp 41,000/kg for
		spent Rp 600,000 to produce 50 kg			fresh carrot. Here the
		instant carrot. Here the detail cost:			cost detail:
		- 50 kg Fresh carrot: Rp 100,000			- Worta: Rp 40,000/kg
		- 50 kg sugar: Rp 500,000			- Transportation: Rp
		Production cost of 1kg instant			1,000/kg
		carrot is Rp 12,000			
		Revenue			
		Worta has been sold for Rp			Local trader and retaile
		40,000/kg.			sell Worta for Rp 45,000/kg.
		Profit Margin			-
		Worta home industry obtains Rp			They obtain Rp

INFORMATION	INPUT	PRODUCTION	COLLECTING	PROCESSING	MARKETING
		28,000/kg instant carrot.			4,000/kg.
		Total value per year			
		Suthomadansih produces 9.500,25			The total value of
		kw carrots per month.			instant carrot per year
		Worta home industry can processes			is about Rp 30,000,000
		50 kg fresh carrots per month			-
		(0.005%).			
		Worta home industry can produces			
		600 kg instant carrots per year			

- 4. Defining the Function and Actors in the Value Chain Map
- Carrot Farmer

Carrot farmer in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area has two functions: as carrot grower and as carrot seeder. Mostly, carrot farmers cultivate their own farmland, while the rest rent the farmland from other farmers who have large farmland. Rental price is calculated based on the total land area used per year. For some carrot farmers, farmland is not the only media to plant the carrot. They also utilize the home yard to cultivate the carrot. Carrot farmers also utilize the home yard as a seeding laboratory.

Besides as carrot growers and seeder, some carrot farmers, particularly in Blumbang Village, Tawangmangu District also have the roles as home industry actors. They are members of the Mekarsari Farmer Group, producing instant carrot (Worta).

• Carrot Home Industry Actors

As mentioned above, some carrot farmers in Blumbang Village, Tawangmangu have roles as home industry actors. They produce instant carrot namely Worta. Worta is not only as the product name but also as the name of carrot home industry's cluster. Worta Cluster was established by Local Planning Board of Karanganyar Regency, in line with the implementation of the agropolitan program in 2007. For the member of Mekarsari Farmer Group, Worta Home Industry also gives a chance to get a higher carrot price than the market price. Worta Home Industry usually buys carrot from the members. It sets the fixed price, i.e. Rp 2.000/Kg for the carrot bought from the members. When the market price is higher than the fixed price, Worta Home Industry will buy in accordance with the market price. When the market price is lower than the fixed price, Worta Home Industry will buy at the fixed price.

Local Collectors

Local collectors are directly involved in buying carrots from local farmers in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area. They are also selling carrots to traders or retailers at the local market in Karanganyar Regency and outside Karanganyar Regency, such as Sragen Regency, Boyolali Regency, Surakarta Municipality, Sukoharjo Regency, Sleman Regency, and Klaten Regency.

• Traders

Traders often buy carrot from the local collectors and directly from the carrot farmers in the vicinity. For traders from other cities, they often get supplies from the local collectors. In running their business, some traders mix carrots from Suthomadansih with carrots from other regencies. Traders also supply retailers in traditional markets. Therefore, traders combine the functions of collecting and selling their carrots in the market.

• Retailers

There are numerous carrot retailers in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area who caters to the household consumers. These retailers also sell other vegetables and other items. Retailers on motorcycle and bicycle also sell carrot and another vegetable door to door. In addition, retailers also sell carrot in traditional markets surrounding the Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area.

5. Defining the Roles of Enablers

Local Government and Non-Governmental Organizations play important roles in moving the carrot commodity along the value chain. The functions and roles of the enablers, as depicted in the Carrot Value Chain Map (Figure 2) are described as follows (Table 4):

Enablers	Role		
Department of Agriculture	- Implementing the agropolitan program.		
1 0	- Providing the training and mentoring related to farm		
	cultivation.		
	- Implementing the PUAP program as a funding program for		
	farmer through Gapoktan (The United of Farmer Group in		
	village level).		
	- Initiating the "Pasar Jumat" as a special market for the farmer		
	to sell their farming product.		
Department of Industry and	- Providing the training of post-harvesting process, i.e.:		
Commerce	packaging, processing product.		
	- Providing the network market for carrot trading.		
	- Providing wrapping machine for Worta home industry.		
Local Planning Board	- Establishing the agropolitan network among the agropolitan		
	areas in Java Island, particularly in Central Java Province.		
	- Establishing the Worta Cluster to promote the Carrot Home		
	Industry in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area.		
	- Providing equipment for producing instant carrot.		
Yayasan Duta Alam (NGO)	- Providing training and assistance to farmer groups in Blumbang		
	Village for instant carrot production.		
	<ul> <li>Providing equipment for producing instant carrot.</li> </ul>		
Sebelas Maret University	- As a place where laboratory test of Vitmaka takes place.		
Gapoktan (the united of farmer	- As farmer association to channel funds from PUAP.		
group in village level)			
Farmer's Group	- As a media for farmers to gain knowledge related to cultivating		
	process.		
	- Providing information related to farmer commodity prices		

#### Table 4. Roles of Enablers

# The Findings

There are some findings based on the value chain analysis of carrot commodity in Suthomadansih Agropolitan Area. The findings are related to program, problem, and opportunity. Furthermore, Table 5 shows the performance of the implementation of the agropolitan program in Suthomadansih.

- 1. Development program from Local Government has been conducted from upstream to downstream of carrot commodity production. However, some programs failed to support the value chain of carrot so that the improvement of the value chain of carrot could not be optimized. One of the failed programs is agribusiness sub-terminal.
- 2. There are potential markets for carrot seeds, especially in Dieng District, Wonosobo Regency. However, Vitmaka has not received certification from Ministry of Agriculture yet so that the selling with label Vitmaka could not be done.
- 3. The biggest profit margin is derived from instant carrot that is about 233% then followed by farmer seeder (Vitmaka) which is about 150%. 12,039 people are directly involved and receive the profits of carrot commodity. However, mostly farmers only produce carrot seed for fulfilling their need. Therefore, the number of people who is directly involved and receives the profit margin may decrease.
- 4. Although Worta has the biggest profit margin, the production level is still low. Thus, Worta has not been one of the alternative ways of getting extra income for the farmers yet. In the other hand, Vitmaka has market potency both inside and outside the area of Karanganyar Regency so that it can serve as alternative income for farmers.

- 5. The potential money flowing from carrot commodity per year is about Rp 1,881,010,500. Vitmaka has the highest potency to lift up the economic condition of Suthomadansih (Rp 1,452,000,000).
- 6. The development of agribusiness sub-terminal does not meet the need of local farmer. A local farmer was not involved in the development of agribusiness sub-terminal.

No.	Variables	Expectation	Reality	Contribution to value chain of carrot
1.		of Supporting Infrastructure		
	Agribusiness sub- terminal	<ul> <li>This facility is aimed as a new meeting point between farmer and trader to do the transaction. Not only local traders from Suthomadansih, the sub- terminal can also be used by traders from other regions.</li> <li>Tax from agribusiness sub-terminal will be used as local income of Karanganyar Regency.</li> <li>This program is aimed to improve the accessibility of local farmers in Suthomadansih to their farmland.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Local and provincial governments built four terminals, but only two terminals that are still functioning.</li> <li>Revenue from the Agribusiness Subterminal currently only revolves around2.5 million rupiahs per month, so it has never been considered as local income of Karanganyar Regency.</li> <li>This program is not implemented on the entire agropolitan area. The program is only implemented in some locations with the length of the road is not further than a kilometer for each</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>There is carrot washing machine in Agribusiness sub- terminal which is still functioning, so the traders or the collectors can use it.</li> <li>This program fosters the participation of farmers to participate in the development/ improvement of the farming road.</li> </ul>
2	A antiburation and Grade		district.	
2.	Agribusiness Syste The existence of financial institutions Partnership building (channeling business)	<ul> <li>To provide loans to farmers with easy terms.</li> <li>To develop the network for expanding the market area of carrot.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>There is no financial institution</li> <li>Local government invites Farmer Groups in Suthomadansih to visit other farmer groups in outside regions of Karanganyar Regency.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>There is no contribution to value chain of carrot.</li> <li>A local farmer has a new network with other farmer groups. But it does not give any influence yet to the marketing process.</li> </ul>
3.		of Human Resource		
	Cluster program of Worta	<ul> <li>To provide production tools to produce instant carrot.</li> <li>To promote Worta to other regencies.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Worta Cluster has been established since 2007.</li> <li>Worta Cluster obtains fund to buy production tools from Local Planning Board.</li> <li>Department of Industry also gives wrapping machine to Worta</li> </ul>	- Worta Cluster obtains production tools to produce instant carrot.

### Table 5. Performance of the Implementation of the Agropolitan Program in Suthomadansih

No.	Variables	Expectation	Reality	Contribution to value chain of carrot
			<ul> <li>Cluster.</li> <li>Worta Cluster still cannot find an appropriate market for selling their instant carrot.</li> </ul>	
	Empowering program to develop local carrot seeds (Vitmaka)	<ul> <li>To support farmers in developing the original carrot seeds from Suthomadansih.</li> <li>To get the certification of carrot seeds so that they can be marketed widely</li> <li>To promote Vitmaka to other regencies.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The seed certification has not been obtained yet.</li> <li>Vitmaka is only used by local farmers in Suthomadansih.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Vitmaka has not been sold yet to other regencies.</li> </ul>
	Training for carrot processing	<ul> <li>To encourage local farmer</li> <li>To find new alternatives</li> <li>To sell a carrot.</li> </ul>	- Due to the market condition, the farmer is still unwilling to process carrot into other products.	- Local farmer obtains references how to process fresh carrot into other products, but they still prefer to sell a fresh carrot.
	The agricultural extension program	- To increase the quality and quantity of carrot commodity.	- In fact, without the empowering program, a local farmer can increase the quality and quantity of carrot. However, local farmers can obtain more knowledge to cultivate their farming land.	- Through this program, a local farmer has media to solve the problem related to their farming activity.

#### Conclusion

Based on the value chain of carrot commodity in Suthomadansih, development program from the local government through the agropolitan program has been conducted from upstream to downstream. However, some programs failed to support the value chain of carrot commodity so that the improvement of the value chain of carrot commodity could not be optimized.

The implementation of the agropolitan program is not sustainable because of the lack of the budgets of local governments. The program is only implemented for 3 years (2007-2009) so that there are no significant effects of the program on the agricultural sector, especially for carrot commodity. The programs that are parts of the agropolitan program are Agribusiness Sub-Terminal, Worta Cluster, Vitmaka, and Farm Road Improvement Program.

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