

## Cooperation Between TNI Task Forces And Sinak Community Hospital To Hold Free Polio Vaccination For The Community

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PUNCAK- The Task Forces of the Raider Infantry Battalion 323/Buaya Putih Kostrad, one of the military units under the command of the Indonesian Armed Forces Operational Command (KOOPS TNI) in Papua, is currently conducting mobile security at the border of Indonesia and Papua New Guinea, especially in the Puncak Regency area, Papua Tengah Province. On Sunday, 4 August 2024.

The 323 Task Forces, especially the Sinak Post led by Major Firman, implemented the results of Social Communication with the Sinak Puskesmas (Community Hospital) in organizing a free Polio Vaccination for children under age five in the Sinak District.

His emphasis on the Soldiers, the Commander of the 323 Task Force, Lieutenant Colonel Tri Wiratno, conveyed the importance of the Task Force's attention to the basic necessities of the community around the Post. Therefore, since its assignment in Papua, the Sinak Post has conducted Social Communication with stakeholders in its Area of Responsibility to follow up on the emphasis. At the end of July last month, Major Firman met Mrs. Agustus Murib, Head of the Sinak Puskesmas, regarding health problems experienced by the Sinak residents. As a result, Mrs. Agustus said that the Polio Virus was a threat that had to be anticipated to prevent its spread. Their discussion agreed to hold free Polio Vaccination for Sinak residents. The two parties also decided to keep the occasion on Sunday afternoon, after Sunday Services, at the Sinak Puskesmas.

After preparations were completed, the Soldiers with Puskesmas Health Workers were ready to conduct the free Polio Vaccination at the location. Not long after, Papuan Mothers flocked to the location to get free Polio Vaccinations for their children. After the activity, a Papuan Mother named Rut Uamang said, "Thank you, Om Tentara (Soldier) and Mrs. Doctor. Our children have been vaccinated with free Polio Vaccination. God bless."

"The initiative of the 323 Task Forces, in collaboration with the Sinak Puskesmas, to provide free Polio Vaccination for children under age five in the Sinak District is the TNI's effort to provide basic necessities services, especially in the Health sector, to support the acceleration of development in the Papua region," said the KOOPS TNI Commanding General, Brigadier General Lucky Avianto, upon receiving the program report.

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