



Preface

The *Indonesian Feminist Journal* (IFJ) is the English summary edition of *Jurnal Perempuan* (JP), Indonesia's first feminist journal, which began publication in 1996. In this second edition, IFJ presents a wide sampling of the work of several of Indonesia's feminist thinkers on national governance. National governance is the sum of the informal and formal values, norms, procedures, and institutions, that help stakeholders to identify, understand, and address national problems. This issue will address the degree of order, stability and predictability of the reformation era under SBY presidency: how is Indonesia governed in the absence of gender perspectives? How does this system engage with our existential problems such as climate change, natural & human-made disasters, economic gaps & dispossessions? IFJ seeks to answer such questions entailing the Indonesia general election in April and presidential election in July 2014. Gender gaps always lie on the heart of national governance viewed from the following dimensions; knowledge gaps, normative gaps, policy gaps, and institutional gaps. So-called 'gap' helps us as conceptual devices that allows analysis as well as criticism of the current order, stability and predictability in the national governance so that failures can be identified.

Beyond engaging with the debate about national governance, this issue addresses further and situates: What the political future in Indonesia from the eyes of feminist political scientists? How do these prediction define the contour of women's engagement in the political arena? What sorts of political dispossessions of women lead to another multiple dispossessions: such as women's dis-owning of land and the absence of substantial ecological support for their livelihoods. The issue will investigate such questions in a series of discussions where facts of women puppetry in politics and the embeddedness of gender in the discourse of climate change. (GA & DC).