

THE STUDY OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE VALUES OF RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE IN HETEROGENEOUS SOCIETIES AT DISTRICT AIR PUTIH, SAMARINDA ULU

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ABSTRACT

The Study of the Implementation of the Values of Religious Tolerance in Heterogeneous Societies at District Air Putih, Samarinda Ulu. This research aims to describe the values of tolerance in worship and to explicate tolerance values in inter-religious association in heterogeneous societies at District Air Putih. This research method was descriptive and qualitative. The data was collected through observation, interviews, and documentation. The data was analyzed through data collection, data reduction, data display, and conclusion. The research findings revealed that the values of tolerance in worshipping in heterogeneous societies at District Air Putih were shown in two forms. First, respect other people's religion by giving them opportunity to organize worship. Second, by visiting people of other religions when they celebrate their feast day. Tolerance values in an inter-religion association that were implemented were open to differences, acceptance, and appreciation of kindness by people of other religions, and participation in community activities.

I. INTRODUCTION

Indonesia is a country that is rich in the diversity of indigenous tribes and cultures, languages, as well as races and religions. This is supported by the strategic area of Indonesia. Indonesia stretches from Sabang in the west to Merauke in the east, Miangas in the north to Rote in the south, with the islands in Indonesia totaling 17,508 large and small islands. In addition, Indonesia, with its diversity, has more than 1,128 ethnic groups and more than 700 regional languages. Therefore, diversity is a hallmark of the Indonesian nation.

Since we were in elementary school, we have been instilled that Indonesia's diversity is a source of wealth and unity (unity in diversity) rather than a nation that divides the nation. *Bhineka Tunggal Ika* does not only act as a motto in the 4 Pillars of Nationality but also as the soul of the nation's personality. In addition, we are also inculcated to have a tolerant attitude towards differences since childhood.

Tolerance in the socio-cultural and religious context means attitudes and actions that prohibit discrimination against different groups or groups in a society (Bakar, 2015). Tolerance is equivalent to a positive attitude, and respect for others in order to exercise human freedom as a human being (Casram, 2016). Tolerance is an important thing that must be owned by every society because it is the main factor in creating harmony and unity in society. The research adopted in this thesis is an assessment of the implementation of religious tolerance values that focuses on heterogeneous communities in Air Putih Village. The heterogeneity that occurred in Air Putih Village, Samarinda, as of June 2019, the number of people who are Muslim is 19,477 people, Christians are 1,950 people, Catholics are 197 people, Hindus are 95 people, and Buddhists are 66 people. Departing from the thoughts that have been described above, it encourages researchers to take the title "The Study of the Implementation of the Values of Religious Tolerance in Heterogeneous Societies at District Air Putih, Samarinda Ulu."

II. METHODS

Research on the implementation of religious tolerance values in heterogeneous communities in Air Putih Village was carried out using qualitative-descriptive methods. This method is used to examine the condition of natural objects with data collection techniques carried out by observation, interviews, and documentation. The research implementation time from the preparation of the proposal to the writing of the overall research results, was carried out for 8 months, namely, from January 2020 to August 2020. The research was carried out in Air Putih Village, Samarinda Ulu, Samarinda City.

The data sources in this study were obtained from primary data sources and secondary sources. The source of the data in this study was obtained from the results of observations and interviews conducted by researchers on respondents. Meanwhile, secondary data is obtained with documents, which can be in the form of population

data from the kelurahan. Based on this understanding, the researchers determined respondents with the following criteria:

Respondent Criteria

No.	Ethnicity	Religion				
		Islam	Christian	Catholic	Hindu	Buddha
1.	Jawa	1	1	1	-	-
2.	Banjar	1	-	-	-	-
3.	Bali	-	-	-	1	-
4.	Chinese	-	-	-	-	1

Respondent identity

No.	Respondent's initials	Gender	Ethnicity	Religion	Addresses
1	Y	M	Chinese	Budha	RT 30
2.	IT	F	Banjar	Islam	RT 59
3.	HT	M	Jawa	Christian	RT 01
4.	S	M	Jawa	Catholic	RT 01
5.	IB	M	Bali	Hindu	RT 49
6.	AM	M	Jawa	Islam	RT 49

The focus of this research includes the community's efforts to implement the values of religious tolerance in daily life in the following matters:

1. The values of tolerance in heterogeneous communities in worship:
 - a. Respect the worship of others.
 - b. Respect the celebration of religious holidays.
2. Interreligious association in a heterogeneous society:
 - a. Open
 - b. Appreciate the kindness of others
 - c. participate in community activities

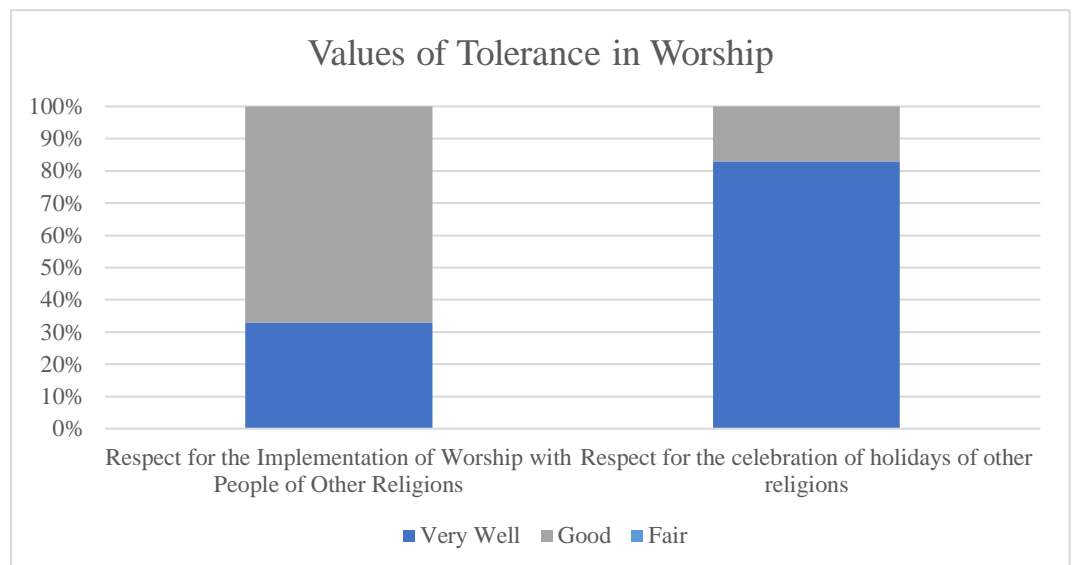
III. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Based on the results of research on heterogeneous communities with sources, residents of the Banjar ethnic group who are Muslim, residents of the Javanese

ethnic group who are Muslim, Christian, Catholic, residents of the Chinese ethnic group who are Buddhists and Balinese Hindus who are in the Air Putih Village, Samarinda Ulu, as well as documentation and observation, the following discussion is obtained:

a. Values of Tolerance in Worship

The implementation of the values of tolerance in worship can be seen through respect for the implementation of worship with people of other religions and respect for the celebration of holidays of other religions.



From the diagram above, the implementation of tolerance values in worship, respect for the implementation of joint worship 67% of respondents implemented good, and respect for religious celebrations 83% implemented fairness. The implementation of the values of tolerance in worship can be seen through respect for the implementation of worship with people of other religions and respect for the celebration of holidays of other religions. There are two concepts that can be implemented to build tolerance, namely: 1) Understanding the Nature of Religious Freedom (Muharam, 2020).

Based on the results of research obtained related to respect for the implementation of worship with other religious people, it shows that 67% of respondents implement it quite well. Respondents showed an attitude of respect by giving opportunities for people of other religions to hold joint worship without being involved in the preparation of the joint worship. Respondents accept and respect adherents of other religions as long as their

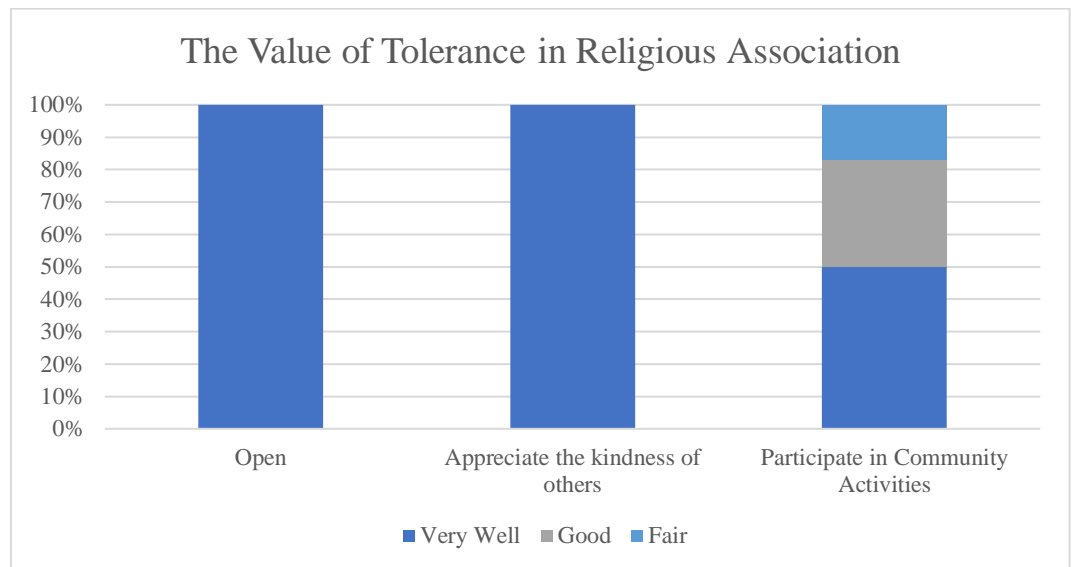
existence do not harm others but do not involve themselves or participate in their activities.

Tolerance is related to respect in the celebration of other religious holidays. The results of the study show that 83% of respondents implement it very well. Respondents respect by participating and involving themselves in the activities of the big day. In general, this tolerance is shown in the form of friendship. Respondents will pay a visit to their close neighbors who celebrate big holidays, visit their office friends, or their families of different religions. So, it can be said that this form of friendship does not only refer to one religious community but it has become a tradition and has become well-established at the level of multicultural inter-groups of society. Visiting to pronouncedifferent religions, or visiting the homes of people of different religions one by one as an effort to identify themselves in the midst of an attitude of tolerance that grows in society (Nasruddin, 2019). The character of tolerance is defined as attitudes and actions that value differences in religion, ethnicity, ethnicity, opinions, attitudes, and actions of others that are different from himself (Djuniasih & Kosasih, 2019). Aside from being a form of respect for other religious holidays, this gathering is also carried out as a form of maintaining religious harmony.

Based on the description above, it can be concluded that the values of tolerance in worship in heterogeneous communities in Air Putih Village are shown in two forms. The first is to respect people with the other religion by giving them the opportunity to hold worship together. The second is to stay in touch when people of other religions celebrate their religious holidays.

b. Interreligious Association

The values of tolerance in inter-religious associations, in general, can be seen whether the respondent shows an open attitude, appreciates the kindness given by other religious people and participates in community activities.



From the diagram above, the implementation of tolerance values in inter-religious association, the six respondents implemented an open attitude very well 100%, showed an attitude of appreciating the goodness of other religions 100% very well, and of the six respondents, 50% participated in community activities.

The values of tolerance in inter-religious associations, in general, can be seen whether the respondent shows an open attitude, appreciates the kindness given by other religious people and participates in community activities. The results showed that the respondents, regardless of their ethnicity and religion, showed an open attitude at a very good level. The respondents accept all differences and can live in harmony amid the religious differences that exist in their environment. Respondents are open to adherents of other religions, accept their existence, and do not discriminate. Respondents do not limit their association, understand that people of other religions have the right to embrace that religion and have been protected by law.

In addition to an open attitude, the value of tolerance that must be shown is to respect the kindness of others, especially those of a different religion. Judging from the results of the study, it shows that in terms of accepting and appreciating the kindness given by followers of other religions, the six respondents have implemented the values and attitudes of appreciating kindness at a very high level. Respondents accepted and were grateful when they were assisted by people of a different religion from

them. Respondents feel that sharing is a form of attention given by other residents, even though they have different religions.

Furthermore, the findings of the study indicate that 50% of respondents showed an excellent level of participation. This activity is generally in the form of community service at the RT level. By holding community activities at the RT level, the community members will form a partnership with other residents of different religions. Participation is the participation of each party involved in each stage of the activity (Mustangin, 2017). This will build a sense of community and a sense of family. Based on the results of the explanation above, it can be concluded that the values of tolerance in inter-religious interactions in heterogeneous communities in Air Putih Village are showing an open attitude towards differences, accepting and appreciating the goodness given by people of different religions, and participating in community activities.

IV. CONCLUSION

Based on the results of research and discussion that the author presents in the previous chapters, in this chapter the author tries to conclude what the author has done while conducting research in Air Putih Village as follows. The values of tolerance in worship in heterogeneous communities in Air Putih Village are shown in two forms. The first is to respect other people's religion by giving them the opportunity to hold joint worship. The second is respect by staying in touch with close neighbors of different faiths when celebrating their religious holidays. The values of tolerance in an inter-religious association, which is implemented by heterogeneous communities in Air Putih Village, are showing an open attitude towards differences, accepting and appreciating the goodness given by people of different religions, and participating in community activities.

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