ABSTRACT

THE FISHERMAN AND SLUM VILLAGES (A Study about Clean and Dirty in Fisherman Community of Kuala Stabas Village in Pesisir Tengah of Pesisir Barat District)

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The purpose of this research was that fisherman community was identic with poverty and slum areas. The conditions of fisherman community in Kuala Stabas village were that they lived under poverty lines and in slum areas.

The objective of this research was to find out and analysis meanings of clean and dirty, and being healthy and sick, and the ways the community in Kuala Stabas village survived. This research used qualitative method. Data were collected with deep interview, observation, and documentation. Data were analyzed with stages of data reduction, data presentation, and conclusion drawing.

The results showed that the clean meaning were that there were no flies, no scattered litters, there was a family toilet, no dust inside houses, and tidiness in arranging goods inside houses. The meanings of being healthy were that a person was able to work and to have activities, peaceful minds to endure daily activities, tasting sense (tongue) was able to differentiate tastes of foods. The ways to survive for fisherman communities in Kuala Stabas were by 1) maintain good relationships with other people like families, neighbors, working mates; 2) exercising values and norms of religion such as praying, being patient, and being grateful; 3) having positive thinking; and 4) hard working and saving.

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