

ABSTRACT

THE ROLE OF LAMPUNG SAIBATIN CUSTOMS ON THE BEDUDU VILLAGE GOVERNMENT

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Lampung society adopts patrilineal genealogy family relationship, which is divided into lineage society according to the origin *Poyang* that is called as *Marga*. Every family according to the level of family has its own leader called as *Penyimbang* that contains of the oldest sons that inherited their fathers' authority hereditary.

The research were conducted at Bedudu village of Belalau district in West Lampung regency. The problem statement is to find out the role of Lampung *Saibatin* Customs on the Bedudu village government. The research uses case study method with interpreting the qualitative data. The data has been taken by interview, field study, library study and document studies.

The result discussion showed that customs governance system settings on Belunguh clan were conducted in a structur with top leader custom administration by *Suntan*. In the traditional governing *Suntan/Suttan* assisted by *Dalom*, *Raja*, *Batin*, *Radin*, *Mas* and *Kimmas* who each had its own duties in accordance with the degree to which it aspires. Currently, customary government is less responsive to

various land disputes occurred territory, because some cases settlement of land dispute were taken over by the Village Government and the General Court. It cause decline in the role of indigenous *Suntan* lead. The settlement problems of land dispute should be authority of *Suntan* as chief of custom. On the other hand, the custom government expecially indigenous events as traditional weeding ceremony is considered by society, and he is still very strong the role when the ceremony Belunguh Clan held in.

From the results of this study it can be concluded that according to the author of a shift in status due *Suntan* Marga Belunguh just as the head of customs, while the village government led by Peratin/ head of village. Due to a shift in the *Suntan* status who as the head of customs only, its cause people more prefer settling land disputes in rural indigenous by the government of the settlement than customary rule. Futhermor, *Suntan* have a powerful role in issuing the opinion and decide what the role will be implemented in traditional ceremonies.