

## **ABSTRACT**

### **ABSTAIN BEHAVIOR IN VILLAGE HEAD ELECTION AT WARINGINSARI BARAT SUKOHARJO PRINGSEWU**

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In democracy states, general election is democracy symbol. Besides, general election is assumed as tool to realize citizen policies right. It can not be denied in general election the phenomena of abstain and incumbent happen.

Abstain is not an organization. Abstain not perform movements outside the law, because one goal of this movement is to strengthen compliance with the law. He did a protest within the limits of existing law, this movement is a cultural movement, in the sense that fighting is not a criticism but rather a transition of power in society where human rights are always protected against arbitrary rule.

Related to the phenomena of abstain in village head election waringinsari barat 2011, the objectives of this research is to analyze the causal factor of abstain. This research is qualitative research. The source of data of this research were abstainers and incumbenter. They were chosen by using purposive sampling. The Data collecting technique were interview and documentation.

The result of this research are, first, technical factors caused abstain. This factor based on working, holiday, and learning cannot be left. Second, political factors that caused abstain, because they think their condition will be the same and whoever the village head will not change that condition.

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