



TRADITION OF CLAN DECLINE/NONO T-SHIRT IN COMMUNITY TRADITIONAL WEDDING CEREMONIES

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Abstract

This research aims to determine the implementation process Nono t-shirt in a traditional wedding ceremony in Naioni Village, Alak District, Kupang City and find out the meaning and function Nono t-shirt as well as customary sanctions received as a result of violating customary principles. This research is qualitative research. The data collection technique is from primary data in the form of observation, interviews and questionnaires. Meanwhile, secondary data is in the form of picture or photo documentation with informants and other written data related to the problem being researched from the Naioni sub-district office. The data analysis technique used in this research is qualitative analysis by collecting data, data reduction, data presentation and the final step of conclusions. The results of this research are first, process Nono t-shirt begins with initial preparations then continues with oko lipa and puah manus (Tanokab Noni Bijael) and the peak of the ritual Nono t-shirt. Second, the meaning and function of carrying out traditions Nono t-shirt namely marking a shift in tradition for beef noni to create social harmony, protect the family from disaster, and give recognition and honor to women who enter their husband's family. These three applications of sanctions in the Kaos nono custom play an important role in maintaining norms and balance in society. Families who do not complete the ritual Nono T-shirt face various serious consequences, including loss of inheritance rights, the return of their wives' bodies to their families of origin, and their unequal rights to their daughters' dowries.

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INTRODUCTION

The tradition of lowering the surname or nono shirt in traditional marriage ceremonies is an important aspect of community culture in various regions in Indonesia. This tradition not only involves ritualistic aspects but also has deep meaning in the context of social structure and cultural identity. The clan or nono shirt is often considered a symbol of kinship and is an important element in continuing the lineage and maintaining cultural heritage (Dian, 2024).

Historically, surname inheritance was a way to ensure that the family lineage was maintained. In many traditional societies, the surname or family name system is not only used for identification but also reflects social

status and relationships between groups. The inheritance of the surname in a marriage ceremony usually involves the transfer of the family name from the woman to the man, which is expected to strengthen familial and social relations (Junaidi, 2022).

However, along with the times and globalization, this tradition faces various challenges. Rapid social change and modernization have influenced society's perspective on the role and function of this tradition. Many individuals from the younger generation are starting to question the relevance and importance of continuing these traditions, especially when they are exposed to different global cultural values and practices.

The main challenge faced is how to maintain the relevance of tradition in the context of modern life. Many young couples find that these traditions no longer suit contemporary values or their personal needs. This creates a dilemma between preserving cultural heritage and adapting to dynamic social developments (Anderson, 2020).

Apart from that, there are also internal challenges within the indigenous communities themselves. In some cases, there are different views on how traditions should be implemented. Conflicts between older generations who want to maintain old practices and younger generations who tend to be more liberal often fuel tensions within communities.

The impact of globalization also plays an important role in changing this tradition. The influence of foreign cultures and global integration causes a shift in values that may conflict with traditional principles. This creates tension between maintaining local traditions and embracing global culture (Liunokas, 2020).

On the other hand, there are efforts from various parties to preserve this tradition. Some indigenous communities have made reforms or adjustments in the implementation of traditions to make them more relevant and acceptable to the younger generation. These efforts often involve education and outreach about the importance of traditions and their benefits for cultural identity and social solidarity.

The study of clan decline in traditional contexts is also important for understanding how social and cultural changes influence traditional practices. This research can provide insight into the dynamics involved in preserving traditions and how these traditions can adapt to the demands of the times (Utami, 2023).

The importance of this study lies not only in the academic aspect but also in the practical implications for society. Understanding how traditions can be maintained or adapted provides guidance

for more effective cultural preservation policies and programs (Lee, 2022).

Apart from that, the background to this problem also includes the challenges of documenting and archiving traditions that may be starting to be forgotten. Much information about traditional practices is conveyed orally, and a lack of documentation can result in the loss of valuable knowledge.

Changes in family and community structures also influence the way these traditions are carried out. With the shift from traditional societies towards more modern family structures, there is a need to re-evaluate how clan decline can be integrated into the current social context (Salim, 2018).

It is important to explore how indigenous communities can overcome these challenges without losing the essence of tradition. Research can identify innovative practices that combine traditional elements with modern-day needs and realities.

This research aims to first find out the process of implementing nono T-shirts in traditional Timorese wedding ceremonies in Naioni Village, Alak District, Kupang City, secondly, find out the meaning and function of nono T-shirts in traditional Timorese wedding ceremonies in Naioni Village, Alak District, Kupang City, thirdly, find out the application of traditional sanctions in T-shirts. nono at a traditional Timorese wedding ceremony in Naioni Village, Alak District, Kupang City.

METHOD

The method used in this research is an ethnographic method using a qualitative approach. Research carried out in natural conditions is also called using the ethnographic method, because initially this method was used more for research in the field of cultural anthropology, because the data collected and the analysis was qualitative in nature. This research can provide a more complete picture of the Process of Implementing nono T-shirts in Timorese Traditional Wedding Ceremonies, the

Meaning and Function of nono T-shirts and the Application of Nono T-Shirt Sanctions in Timorese Traditional Wedding Ceremonies in Naioni Village, Alak District, Kupang City

The data analysis method used is ethnographic qualitative thematic analysis techniques, namely data collection, data reduction, data presentation and the final step is the conclusion.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Results

The Process of Implementing Nono T-Shirts in Wedding Ceremonies
The initial process in the series of rituals (Kaos nono) of decreasing the clan, in this process married women carry out several rituals of decreasing the clan. As stated by several informants, Kaos nono includes several stages below:

1. Preparation of the male family
2. Implementation of the Nono T-Shirt Process

In implementing Nono T-shirts, there are three main points that must be considered in this process, namely the oko'lipa, puah manus and Noni bijael stages.

3. Elevating the Husband's Clan

Representatives from the male family then pull a sarong or shawl (ma'u) as a symbol of elevating the husband's clan above the bride's shoulders.

4. Welcome and Journey to the Bridegroom's House

After dropping the sarong or shawl (ma'u), the male family welcomes them with shouts and typical Timorese dancing. Then, the group prepared to leave for the groom's house.

5. Welcome to the Groom's Home

In Timorese custom, the process of welcoming the bride or bife noni when she arrives at the groom's house is greeted with cheers, traditional dances and typical Timorese music.

6. Thanksgiving Prayer

The entire family and invited guests who were present took a sitting position to wait for the arrival of the female family group. Upon arrival, spokespersons and

traditional figures greeted them with traditional poems or natoni, and then a prayer of thanksgiving was held.

The meaning and function of nono shirts in traditional wedding ceremonies

1. Customary claims

Atoin meto who have carried out a traditional marriage must carry out the Kaos nono ritual so that the atoin moenfeu can be given a surname or full rights to bife noni because by the time the Kaos nono has definitely been performed oko lipa and puah manus and noni bijael but if not Kaos nono is not valid.

2. Abandoning nono mnasi (Old Tradition)

Bife meto who have carried out Kaos nono are legally permitted to abandon the habits or culture of their biological parents and follow all the traditional procedures in atoin meto.

3. Social Harmony

According to the beliefs of the people of Naioni Village, Alak District, Kupang City, if we carry out the Kaos nono ritual after the wedding, the family will always be given happiness or be blessed.

4. Avoid disaster

The nono T-shirt tradition, apart from bringing prosperity to the family, can also function to protect the family from disaster or misfortune.

5. Forms of Necessity By Atoin Moenfeu.

When the bife meto has done Kaos nono, the bife meto will enter and follow the rules and customs that already exist in the male clan, by following the existing rules the bife noni will become part of the male family and will be treated like family from the male clan. man.

Application of Traditional Sanctions in Nono T-shirts at Traditional Wedding Ceremonies

- a. Wives Do Not Have Customary Rights

Bife meto does not have full rights so when the husband dies first the wife cannot inherit according to custom.

- b. Bife Noni Dies to be Returned to Family

In families who have not carried out the Kaos nono rite so that when the bife noni dies they cannot return it to their family.

c. Not Entitled to Child Dowry

Where are families who live in a household but have not completed the Kaos nono ritual and have a daughter and then get married and the husband brings a dowry or belis that cannot be enjoyed by both parents but must be given to atoin mone from the mother.

Discussion

tradition of lowering the surname or nono shirt in traditional marriage ceremonies has deep and complex historical roots. In many cultures, surname functions as a cultural identification that indicates familial relationships and social status. The surname ceremony is often an important symbolic moment, where the woman accepts her husband's surname and officially becomes part of the husband's family. This practice reflects the transfer of social and cultural responsibility from one family to another (Thompson, 2024).

In a social context, clan decline has a significant role in maintaining social structures that have existed for a long time. This process is not just about changing names, but also involves rituals and ceremonies that strengthen ties between families and communities. The derivation of a clan is often accompanied by various symbolism that reflects the integration and official recognition of both sides of the family in the context of indigenous communities (ataupah, 2020).

However, with globalization and modernization, this practice faces various challenges. Changes in family structure, including a shift from traditional family models to modern family models, influence the way clan inheritance is carried out. For example, in some cases, married couples may choose not to follow these traditions or adapt them to their personal preferences, which raises questions about the relevance of traditions in the current context.

The pressure of globalization has also changed the way we view gender and roles in the family. The tradition of lowering the clan is often considered a patriarchal practice that moves women's identities into the husband's family, which can lead to criticism from a gender equality perspective. Therefore, some communities are starting to consider reforms in this practice to reflect more egalitarian values (Prasetyo, 2022).

The main dilemma faced is how to balance maintaining the authenticity of tradition and meeting the demands of modern times. Many young couples feel that continuing the tradition of descending clans is not always relevant to their dynamic lives connected to various global cultures. On the other hand, there is a push to maintain cultural heritage as part of community identity (Garcia, 2021).

In some communities, there have been efforts to adapt traditions of clan descent to better suit contemporary values. For example, some communities are adopting new forms of the ritual that are more inclusive or giving couples a choice regarding how they wish to continue the tradition. These adaptations often involve discussion and consensus among community members about how traditions can function in modern contexts (Chen, 2019).

Research on clan decline also shows variations in the implementation of this tradition in different regions. Some communities may still adhere strongly to traditional practices, while others have integrated modern elements into their ceremonies. These differences reflect diversity in how societies deal with social and cultural change.

Efforts to preserve this tradition often involve education and outreach. Training programs and community activities are designed to raise awareness about the importance of traditions and ways to adapt them without sacrificing their essence. Through education, society is expected to be able to understand and appreciate traditional values while embracing current developments

(Kumar, 2022).

Apart from that, good documentation of clan inheritance traditions is also important. Much of the information about these practices is conveyed orally, which can result in loss of knowledge if not properly documented. Therefore, creating comprehensive archives and documentation regarding traditional rituals and practices is very necessary to ensure that this knowledge is not lost (Hadi, 2020).

The decline of clans is also closely related to aspects of customary law and policy. Some regions have regulations governing the performance of this tradition, and changes in policy or law may affect how this practice is carried out. Therefore, it is important to consider how customary policies and laws influence the preservation and implementation of traditions (Smith, 2018).

Another challenge is how to utilize technology to support the preservation of traditions. Social media, video and digital platforms can be used to promote and document clan derogation practices. This technology also allows communities to share experiences and best practices in preserving their traditions.

From an academic perspective, the study of clan decline provides insight into how traditional culture interacts with social change. This research helps us understand the dynamics between tradition and modernity and how society can find a middle ground between the two. This study can also inform more effective cultural policies and preservation efforts (Arifin, 2019).

The social implications of changes in clan descent practices are also significant. Changes in traditions can affect family relationships, community structure, and cultural identity. Therefore, it is important to consider the social impact of any changes made and how this may affect community harmony and integrity (Patel, 2023).

In a global context, surname decline can also be part of a broader cultural dialogue. These traditions can be

compared to similar practices in other cultures, providing perspective on how various societies deal with cultural shifts and social change. This comparison can provide additional insight into innovative ways to preserve traditions.

Overall, preserving the traditions of clan descent requires a holistic and integrated approach. Involving all parties, including community members, traditional leaders, and educational institutions, is key to ensuring that this tradition can adapt to changing times without losing its core meaning and values.

Finally, it is important to realize that traditions are part of our identity and valuable cultural heritage. Efforts to preserve or adapt traditions of clan decline must be carried out with full attention to the needs and aspirations of the community. In this way, traditions can continue to provide meaning and value for future generations.

CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

Conclusions

Process Nono t-shirt The traditional Timorese wedding ceremony in Naioni Village is a series of rituals that are rich in cultural values and local wisdom. Implementation process Nono t-shirt The traditional Timorese wedding ceremony in Naioni Village, Alak District, Kupang City is a series of rituals that are rich in cultural values and local wisdom. Each stage in this process strengthens marital relationships, enhances cultural identity, and ensures the continuity of traditional values passed down from generation to generation. Meaning and function Nono t-shirt The traditional Timorese wedding ceremony in Naioni Village, Alak District, Kupang City has a deep meaning and function in the social structure of society. Nono t-shirt is a customary demand that must be fulfilled to give full rights to the bride and ensure the validity of the marriage in the customary context. This ritual also marks a shift in tradition for a woman, creates social harmony, protects the family from disaster, and gives recognition and honor to women

who enter their husband's family.

Application of customary sanctions in Nono t-shirt at a traditional Timorese wedding ceremony in Naioni Village, Alak District, Kupang City, it plays an important role in maintaining norms and balance in society. This sanction is not only punitive but also a reminder of the importance of carrying out traditional rituals correctly. Families who do not complete the ritual Nono t-shirt face various serious consequences, including the loss of inheritance rights, the return of the wife's body to the family of origin, and the ineligibility of their daughter's dowry. This tradition is still guarded very seriously because it is believed to have magical and sacred value that is closely related to the welfare and fate of the practitioners.

Suggestion

1. There needs to be an intensive education and outreach program about its importance Nono t-shirt and the cultural values contained therein through schools, traditional institutions and community organizations.
2. Documentation of process and meaning Nono t-shirt in the form of writing, video and other media is very important. This publication can be disseminated through various media, including social media, to increase awareness and understanding of the wider community about the importance of this tradition.
3. Involving the younger generation in every stage of the ritual nono t-shirt, both as participants and as trainers, ensuring that they understand and appreciate these cultural values. This training can be facilitated by traditional and senior figures in the community.
4. Traditional leaders need to be empowered and given support so they can continue to play their role in maintaining and preserving traditions Nono t-shirt. This can be done through formal recognition, training, and financial support.
5. The government and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) can collaborate to support cultural preservation Nono t-shirt. This can take the form of technical assistance, funding, and programs that support cultural activities at the local level.
6. Socialization about the consequences of not running Nono t-shirt properly needs to be improved. The public needs to understand that customary sanctions have an important meaning in maintaining social balance and harmony.

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