



## Values of Religious Moderation in the People of Tanon Village, Papar District, Kediri Regency

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### Abstract:

The people in Tanon village actually have religious diversity, namely Islam, Hinduism, and Christianity. The village has a temple as a place of worship for the Hindu community there. The purpose of this study is that the author wants to dig deeper related to four value indicators in religious moderation in the community in Tanon Village, Papar District, Kediri District. The method used is qualitative with data collection techniques of interviews, observation and documentation. Data analysis techniques use data triangulation. The findings of this study are the values of love for the homeland (national commitment), tolerance, love for peace (non-violence), love for culture (respect for tradition) which are manifested in community activities in the village.

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### INTRODUCTION

Indonesian society within the Unitary State of the Republic of Indonesia (NKRI) has diversity that includes various ethnicities, languages, religions, cultures, and social status (Rozib, 2018). Cultural diversity (multicultural) is a natural event because of the meeting of various cultures, the interaction of various individuals and groups by bringing cultural behaviors, having different and specific ways of life. Diversity such as cultural diversity, family background, religion, and ethnicity interact with each other in the Indonesian community.

Religious harmony is very important to achieve a prosperity in this country. As we know, Indonesia has so much diversity. Not only a matter of customs or art culture, but also religious diversity. Therefore, Indonesian society is said to be a plural society that has various religions (Annisa, 2021).

In Islam no one teaches extremism and radicalism because in Islam teaches justice and balance. Islam teaches that among humans there are differences, both in terms of culture, ethnicity, tribe and differences in beliefs, all of which have become fitrah and sunnatullah or have become God's decree so that we as his people can know each other and interact.

A religious attitude that places itself in a middle and balanced position is an understanding of moderation. The creation of harmony and global peace must begin with moderation between individuals. Through this method, we as humans can respect each other, accept all differences, and can create peace and harmony in the midst of diversity (Dedi, 2014).

The people of Tanon Village, Papar District, Kediri Regency have diverse religions. The Muslim population is 2699 people, the Hindu population is 300 people, the Catholic population is 97 people, and the Christian population is 18 people. Multicultural communities in Tanon Village can coexist and get along well in daily

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life. Therefore, researchers want to explore more data related to how the implementation of religious moderation values in the people of Tanon Village, Papar District, Kediri Regency.

## **RESEARCH METHODS**

The approach in this study is Qualitative with a descriptive type of research. Qualitative research is research aimed at describing and examining reality, events, social activities, behavior, perceptions, beliefs, thoughts of individuals and groups. (Sukmadinata, 2007). The focus of this research is the implementation of the values of religious moderation, love of the motherland, tolerance, love of peace, and love of local culture. The object of this research is the community in Tanon Village, Papar District, Kediri Regency with research informants from a number of community leaders who are Muslim, Hindu, Catholic, and Christian. Data collection techniques use interviews, observation, and documentation. Data analysis techniques use data triangulation, namely data reduction, data presentation, and conclusion making.

## **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Religious moderation is commonly understood as a middle attitude in understanding religious teachings. In Islam, the concept of moderation is often matched with the Islamic term *wasathiyah*. The concept of *wasathiyah* Islam in general is also used as a basis for understanding the principles of moderation in religion, especially in an Islamic perspective. Moderation indicators in terms of religious understanding have an inseparable relationship with the direction and strategy plan of the Ministry of Religious Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia which was then 'mandated' in the 2020-2024 RPJMN. The 2015-2019 strategic plan is the basis of the Directorate General of Islamic Education in developing tolerant, moderate, and loving ideas for the homeland (Kemenag, 2019).

Indicators on religious moderation have an inseparable relationship with national commitment, tolerance, anti-radicalism and violence, as well as accommodating attitudes towards local culture and wisdom. At the same time, the position of religious moderation as a balanced religious understanding remains consistent in the middle position that does not have a partiality to the right religious ideology that leads to radicalism or alignment with the left ideology that leads to liberalism (Sumarto, 2021).

The implementation of religious moderation values in the people of Tanon Village, Papar District, Kediri Regency is manifested in community activities. There are four indicators of religious moderation values, namely love of the motherland, tolerance, love of peace, and love of local culture. The value of Love for the Motherland was manifested in the activity of holding interfaith prayers at the Tomb of the Hero Corporal Kasemo, Payak Hamlet, Tanon Village on the night of August 17. In addition, it also held interfaith prayers in the tradition of celebrating one suro at the intersection and fork in the road of Tanon Village. The purpose of this activity is to gather the community to pray together for protection to be kept away from danger and ask for welfare for Tanon Village. This is also a form of love for the motherland.



Figure 1. Interfaith Prayer of Islamic, Hindu, Christian, Catholic Religious Communities

The value of tolerance is manifested in activities to carry out devotional work to clean the environment around places of worship, provide assistance to places of worship either mosques, temples, or churches, and provide security assistance to each religion when welcoming or celebrating Hari Raya. Interfaith social services are also carried out to help people in need. The activity aims to maintain togetherness and mutual respect and respect for followers of other religions.



Figure 2. Interfaith Service Work of Tanon Village Community



Figure 3. Interfaith Social Service of Tanon Village Community

The value of Peace Love is manifested when helping each other when they need help, and is not easily provoked when problems arise. Participate in maintaining order during the Hindu community's Nyepi celebration. This aims to maintain mutual harmony between the people of Tanon Village, Papar District, Kediri Regency.



Figure 4. Order of Nyepi Celebration Hindu Community Tanon Village

The value of Love for Local Culture is manifested when the community participates in enlivening existing local culture such as Jaranan Art, Tambourine / Banjari, Wayang Kulit, and ogoh-ogoh artwork of the Hindu community. Ogoh-ogoh is a large statue made of pulp and adhesive usually made by Balinese teenagers as part of the annual "cleansing ceremony" (ngerupakan), which is held the day before Nyepi, Hindu New Year or Nyepi day.



Figure 5. Ogoh-Ogoh Night Parade Nyepi Teenagers Tanon Village

## **CONCLUSION**

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