CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

1.1 Conclusion

The study which is concerned with the Karo language shift towards other ethnic language and Indonesian language was aimed at describing the factors influencing Karo language shift, the pattern of the language shift and the reason for the Karo language shift. Based on the findings, conclusions are drawn as the following:

1. In general, the shifting of Karo language into other ethnic language and Indonesian language is affected by bilingual, migration, economic, social, demographic and institutional factors, attitude and the lack of Karo language proficiencies. Institutional factors is the major factors in affecting the language shift of Karonese in mixed families.

2. The Karo language shifted into other ethnic language and Indonesian language occurred in patterns of relationship between parents and children and then children with children.

3. The reason for the shift of language are the social success and the status of Indonesian language.

4. The position of mother language is dominant to support the shifting of language in Karonese mixed families.

5.2 Suggestion

In relation to the conclusion, some constructive points are suggested as the following:

1. It is suggested that the Karonese parents in mixed families should keep on speaking in family domain in order that the children could familiar with the language and then...
learned it.

2. It is suggested that the Karonese should promote Karonese traditional attraction or other Karonese ceremonies in their society to enable the people familiar with Karo tradition.

3. Finally, it is suggested to all generation, not only Karonese but also all the generation from different ethnic groups, to bear in mind that maintaining the ethnic group is something important to keep their identity.