

ABSTRACT

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The aim of this study is to analyze the speech acts that occur in the *pasahat adat na gok* in batak toba ceremony. This study was analyzed using Searle's (1979) speech act theory. Conducted by using descriptive qualitative method. The data of this study were taken from the recording of the *pasahat adat na gok* ceremony. Data sources are taken from conversations between *Raja parhata* of traditional events. The writer found 139 utterances that contain illocutionary acts, which consist of 64 utterances (46.1%) assertives, 53 utterances (38.1 %) directives, and 22 utterances (15.8 %) expressive. Declaratives and commissives are not found in the ceremony, this is because *pasahat adat na gok* is an ceremony that is done to pay customs to the families of the bride and groom, so utterances that are vowing, declare and offer are not included in this ceremony. *Pasahat adat na gok* in batak toba ceremony illustrates how Batak people use speech acts as a way to transmit information, opinions, and feelings to each other, also strengthen family relationships and maintain ties of brotherhood.

Keyword: Speech act, *Pasahat adat na gok*, utterances