ABSTRACT

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This study focused on Jargon used by Police in Namo Rambe Police Quarter. The objectives of this study were to find out kinds of jargon used in Namo Rambe Police Quarter, to describe the meaning of jargon related to denotative and connotative meaning, and to find out the reasons of policemen using jargon in their communications. The data were limited on Jargon used in Namo Rambe Police Quarter. This study was conducted by using descriptive qualitative method. The data were taken from the conversations of policemen in Namo Rambe Police Quarter and gathered descriptively. The findings of this study show that kinds of jargon used in Namo Rambe Police Quarter classified into three categories, namely *sandi huruf* (Letter Codes), *sandi angka* (Number Codes), and *Sandi Pangkat Kesatuan* (Corps Position Codes). There are 49 words that are considered as jargon in Namo Rambe Police Quarter. 13 (26,53%) has denotative meaning and 5 words (10,20%) has connotative meaning. Furthermore, there are 31 words as jargon (63,27%) that can not be analyzed semantically whether they have denotative or connotative meaning. The reasons of policemen using jargon in their communications in order to keep the secret and the identity of them, to keep communication short and concise, and to make easier in delivering informations.