ABSTRACT

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This study deals with semantic analysis of English loanwords in Indonesian irrigation texts. The objective is to describe the semantic changes of English loanword occur in Indonesian irrigation texts. The design of the research is descriptive qualitative. The sources of data were taken from some documents in Irrigation works.

There are three types of semantic change of loanwords namely broadening meaning, narrowing meaning and meaning shifts. And after analyzing the data, the findings are from the 106 loanwords of data, there are 40 loanwords for narrowing meaning type, 7 loanwords for broadening meaning, and 59 loanwords for no semantic change. It means that most of the loanwords which are used in Indonesia irrigation texts get no semantic change. It proves that the meaning of the word from original language does not change in the target language. This meaning of word does not change eventhough it is loaned from foreign language.