

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

5.1 Conclusions

After analyzing the data, some conclusions are drawn as the following.

1. Level of Endangerment of BM

Based on the research finding BM in Medan-Labuhan was categorized as endangered language since BM speakers only use BM in limited occasion. Furthermore since some of young speakers of BM used mixed BM or used BM with Indonesia dialect or the major language dialect, BM in Medan-Labuhan is categorized in definitely endangered level.

2. The actual efforts are done by the native speakers of BM to overcome the level of endangerment. Based on the research finding through in-depth interview and observation on six Minang families both intramarriage and intermarriage families in Medan Labuhan, it is found that there are four actual efforts or activities that can be applied to overcome the level of endangerment.

3. The revitalizations efforts are potentially done to revitalize BM

Based on in-depth interviews and observation the potential efforts done by the native speakers of BM in Medan-Labuhan and Minang culture institution (BM3), there are five efforts or activities are suggested to be applied by the native speakers of BM in Medan-Labuhan to reviving BM itself.

5.2 Suggestions

In relation to the conclusions the following suggestion are staged

- (1) Any resources of BM; more documents, BM literatures and references were very needed to revive this language. Available BM dictionary, setting up cultural events and competitions, books, and website are suggested in attracting many people especially the native speakers of BM who do not use BM anymore to learn and to use BM in the future.
- (2) It is suggested that intramarriage Minang families or Inter-marriage families supposed to use BM in their daily life. In other side supposed to use multilingual since their couple have different indigenous language
- (3) It is suggested that Minang people supposed to gathered and be members of Minang culture institutions or at least participate on cultural activities
- (4) It is suggested that the parents of Minang families supposed to let their children participate on Minang cultural activities
- (5) It is suggested that Minang people supposed to bring their families members especially their children back to their hometown, the origin place of BM
- (6) Further research is needed to explore as many as BM heritage. Furthermore, actions research and action program to revitalized BM should be done by local government and related Minang institutions and others

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