CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

5.1 Conclusions

This study focused on the Balinese Language Maintenance in Desa Damuli Kebun Labuhanbatu Utara. It was aimed to gain the factors, ways, and reasons to support Balinese language maintenance in Labuhanbatu Utara. Based on the analysis, the conclusions are drawn as the following:

- (1) After analyzing the data, there were seven factors which support Balinese language maintenance in Labuhanbatu Utara namely; ethno lingustic vitality, using language in family domain, using language in neighborhood domain, using language in religion domain, using language in workplace domain, practice of traditional ceremony and an additional factor that found by researcher as a new insight in this research, it is maintenance by older people.
- (2) There were four ways which chosen by the Balinese Language Maintenance in Labuhanbatu Utara namely; aquisition of the language by adults, number of people habitually using the language, all age groups encourage in the language, and using a language to next generation.
 - (3) The reasons of Balinese people maintain their language because They are to achieve self pride as a Balinese, to help their community to perserve their language

5.2 Suggestions

In relation the conclusions, there are several suggestions that are needed to be shared some elements:

- (1) It is suggested to Balinese people to use Balinese language in their daily communication. They have to use Balinese language in all domains in order to their language will be perserved. Not only with older people but younger people also because younger people is the next generation to use the language.
- (2) The Balinese parents especially should practice more their vernacular language with their children. The parents in order to teach the Balinese language to young generation from an early. Because the children will learn the language from their parents and the children can practice it in their daily communication. It is such as want to learn Balinese language, either just know or also participate in practicing it in our lives, participate if there are activities in the context of cultural preservation, practice the use of the Balinese language and loving your own culture without degrading and harassing the culture of others and it is suggested that parents should encourage the positive attitude to their children in maintaining the Balinese language in vernacular language.
- (3) The local community, non-government organization, or local government in Labuhanbatu Utara is more respecting to Balinese people. When the generations who understand the indigenous language die, a lot of knowledge of the language is also gone and support the linguists and

Balinese people that interest toward Balinese language in producing the dictionary of Balinese language. By doing this way, Balinese language will have the documentation of their language and it is not just oral language.

