

**MUSLIM TOURIST SATISFACTION OF HALAL TOURISM IN LOMBOK****KEPUASAN WISATAWAN MUSLIM PADA PARIWISATA HALAL DI LOMBOK****F. Rahmiati<sup>1a</sup>; N.A. Othman<sup>2</sup>; M.A.P. Sunanti<sup>3</sup>;**

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**ABSTRACT**

The rising of Muslim population around the world creates the increasing demand for tourism in accordance with Islamic rules called as Halal Tourism. This study examined Lombok islands which have won an International Halal Destination Award in 2016. This study investigates Destination Image, Perceived Value and Islamic Value impact on Muslim Tourist Satisfaction of Halal Tourism in Lombok. This research used 110 respondents using non-probability sampling with convenience sampling and a survey through questionnaires. Data analysis procedures used in this study is Multiple Linear Regression. Based on Multiple Linear Regression, a result of Destination Image, Perceived Value, and Islamic Value were found to have the positive and significant impact on Muslim Tourist Satisfaction partially and simultaneously with  $R^2$  of 0.775. It indicates that 77.5 persen of the variance in Muslim Tourist Satisfaction in Lombok influenced by Destination Image, Perceived Value, and Islamic Value. The recommendation is given to future study are used this three variables in other locations of halal tourism in Indonesia, therefore, it will create a sustainable halal tourism of Indonesia which create a competitive advantage in attracting tourist to visit Indonesia for Halal tourism purposes.

*Keywords: Halal tourism, Destination Image, Perceived Value, Islamic Value, Tourist Satisfaction*

**ABSTRAK**

Meningkatnya populasi Muslim di seluruh dunia menciptakan peningkatan permintaan untuk pariwisata sesuai dengan aturan Islam yang disebut sebagai Pariwisata Halal. Studi ini meneliti pulau-pulau Lombok yang telah memenangkan Penghargaan Tujuan Halal Internasional pada tahun 2016. Penelitian ini menginvestigasi Gambar Tujuan, Nilai Persepsi dan Nilai Islam yang berdampak pada Kepuasan Wisatawan Muslim dari

Pariwisata Halal di Lombok. Penelitian ini menggunakan 110 responden dengan menggunakan non-probability sampling dengan convenience sampling dan survey melalui kuesioner. Prosedur analisis data yang digunakan dalam penelitian ini adalah Multiple Linear Regression. Berdasarkan Multiple Linear Regression, hasil dari Citra Tujuan, Nilai Persepsi, dan Nilai Islam ditemukan memiliki pengaruh positif dan signifikan terhadap Kepuasan Wisatawan Muslim secara parsial dan simultan dengan R<sup>2</sup> sebesar 0,775. Ini menunjukkan bahwa 77,5% dari varians dalam Kepuasan Wisatawan Muslim di Lombok dipengaruhi oleh Gambar Tujuan, Nilai Persepsi, dan Nilai Islam. Rekomendasi yang diberikan untuk studi masa depan digunakan ketiga variable ini di lokasi lain pariwisata halal di Indonesia. Oleh karena itu, akan menciptakan pariwisata halal berkelanjutan Indonesia yang menciptakan keunggulan kompetitif dalam menarik wisatawan untuk mengunjungi Indonesia untuk keperluan pariwisata halal.

*Kata Kunci: Pariwisata Halal, Gambaran Destinasi, Nilai yang di rasakan, Nilai Islami, Kepuasan wisatawan*

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## INTRODUCTIONS

Islamic economy recently has a new phenomenon in the tourism industry which has contributed to world economic growth called Halal Tourism (Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of The Organization of Islamic Cooperation, 2016; Enda, 2015; Jaelani, 2017; Rahman et al., 2017; Wingett et al., 2016). Halal tourism was the one of the largest and the most profitable industry in the global market (Enda, 2015; Rahman and Musa, 2017). Further, seeing big opportunities in this business creates countries that non-Muslim majority such as Japan, Australia, Thailand, Singapore, Taiwan, and New Zealand also created Halal tourism products (Battour and Ismail, 2015; Chookaew et al., 2015; Enda, 2015).

In 2012, Indonesia began to introduce some of their provinces as Halal Destination which launched in 2014 as one of the largest Halal Tourism market reinforced by the rapid of Halal Tourism products (Firdausi et al., 2017; Jaelani, 2017). Lombok as one of a city in West Nusa Tenggara (NTB) which 96, 78 percent of the population consist of Muslim (Central Agency on Statistics of NTB, 2017). The big potential of Lombok as Halal Tourism Destination has been approved in 2015 by The World Halal Tourism Awards was held in Abu Dhabi, Uni Emirate Arab. Lombok was awarded as the 1<sup>st</sup> World's Best Halal Honeymoon Destination and the 1<sup>st</sup> World's Best Halal Tourism Destination. Another two more awards were given in 2016 as The World's Best Halal Honeymoon Destination, and the 1<sup>st</sup> World's Best Halal

Tourism Destination (Alamsjah, 2016). The assessment of those awards was based on several points such as complete halal facilities in the tourist destination also the atmosphere of destination must be Muslim friendly tourism (Indonesia Ministry of Finance, 2016).

Those awards mentioned above may affect Lombok image globally. However, there are several problems spotted at Lombok that will be considered by the tourist. The crucial part is the health problem. The number of doctors in Lombok is currently under 70 people and still requires hundreds of doctors, pharmacists as well as nurses (Khalid, 2017; Supriadi, 2017) which would endanger the safety of the tourist. Another problem is lack of electricity and mobile phone signals. (Sompotan, 2012; Basir, 2016). This can disrupt the convenience of tourists. The next problem is a constraint in the field of transportation that also felt by the Head of Culture and Tourism of Central Lombok he is Mr. H.L. Moh. Putra. Difficulty in finding transportation, making tourists difficult to reach their lodging (Sompotan, 2012; Dulay, 2015). Lastly, Lombok has not set up separate places between men and women and also hard to find the worship facilities (Mulyono, 2016).

All of the above-mentioned affect tourist satisfaction (Devesa, et al., 2010; Žabkar, et al., 2010). Hence, based on previous studies, tourist satisfaction can be achieved through Destination Image, Perceived Value and Islamic Value (Artuğer, et al, 2013; Chen and Chen, 2010; Chi and Qu, 2008; Chiu, et al., 2016; Hashim et al., 2010; Ryu, et al., 2012; Sun, et al., 2013). Therefore, this study will use

those variables as to measure Muslim Tourist Satisfaction of Halal Tourism in Lombok.

## LITERATURE REVIEW AND RESEARCH METHODS

This study used quantitative method and questionnaire used as survey method and tested using SPSS for statistical calculation. The sampling design of this study used convenience sampling whereby the population of individuals who are advantageously accessible or available when it comes to take an interest and take part of this study (Dudovsky, 2016). Therefore, population of this study are domestic muslim tourists who visit Lombok by one of tour agent. Sample taken in this study based on Supranto (2010) stated that the number of respondents are five times the number of questions. Since the questionnaire consists of 22 questions, the number of respondents for this research is 110 respondents.

A questionnaire is a data collection technique that done by providing a set of written questions consisting of research variables that must be answered by the respondent (Kountur, 2009). The questionnaire spread to the number of samples. The questionnaire is divided into three sections: first section is filtering questions, second section is about demographic profile of respondents, and last questions comprise of independent variables (Destination Image, Perceived Value, and Islamic Value) and dependent variable of Muslim Tourist Satisfaction of Halal Tourism in Lombok.

This study took demographic profile information based on the gender, age, past experience in Lombok, and length of stay. For section three (3) with total questions of 22 questions the respondent were asked to answer the agreement level that related to the variables chosen by using five points Likert scale ranging from strongly disagree to strongly agree.

The study applied reliability for measuring the questionnaire which is the indicators or variables or constructs whether the questionnaire is reliable or not (Ghozali, 2016). One of the most frequently used reliability coefficients is Cronbach alpha value. Sekaran and Bougie (2016) stated that Cronbach alpha greater than 0.60 is commonly accepted. Further, to test the hypothesis, multiple linear regressions will be used in this study.

Regression analysis is used for understanding the relationship between a variable and to predict the value of one variable based on another variable. On the other hand, Regression models used to test whether there is a relationship between variable is exist or not. Regression with more than one independent variable called multiple regressions, a condition when the research use two or more independent variables in a linear regression analysis (Ghozali, 2016).

Added, this study using t-test for analyzing independent variable (Destination Image, Perceived Value, and Islamic Value) positive significant on dependent variable (Muslim Tourist Satisfaction of Halal Tourism in Lombok) and using F-test to ascertain the positive significant of all independent variables positive significant on dependent variable

(Muslim Tourist Satisfaction of Halal Tourism in Lombok). Lastly,  $R^2$  is measured to see how many percentage of dependent variable explained by the independent variables jointly regress. This study using Adjusted  $R^2$  values as independent variables are more than two variables and range from 0 to 1.

## RESEARCH RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Table 1 illustrates the results of 110 respondents of the study. In terms of gender, the majority of respondents are males with 55.5% followed by females of 44.5%. The highest percentage of age is 32.7% with age between 26-34 years old, followed by more than 45 years old of 27.3%, 35-45 years old of 26.4% and the last percentage is 13.6% of 16-25 years old. More than half (61.8%) are first-time tourist visit Lombok and the rest of 38.2% are repeated visitors. Last demographic respondent result is a length of stay. Majority of respondents are staying 4-6 days in Lombok with 44.5% followed by more than 6 days (of 30%) and lastly, 24.5% are 1-3 days.

Table 1: Demographic profile of respondents

Characteristics		N=110	(%)
Gender	Male	61	55.5
	Female	49	44.5
Age	16-25 years old	15	13.6
	26-34 years old	36	32.7
	35-45 years old	29	26.4
	More than 45 years old	30	27.3
Past experience	First-time visit	68	61.8
	Repeated visit	42	38.2
Length of stay	1-3 days	27	24.5
	4-6 days	49	44.5
	More than 6 days	34	30.0

Reliability test aims to indicate the stability and the consistency of both independent variables and the dependent variable with the concept of the research. Hence, it is a tool for measuring the questionnaire which is the indicators or variables or construct. Questionnaire can be said as reliable if respondents' answer the questions consistently. In the table above, the results of Cronbach's alpha of each variable are reliable as the result of Cronbach's alpha greater than 0.60. Based on the result, all constructs are reliable and can be used for the next step show in Table 2.

Table 2: Reliability Test Result

Construct	Cronbach's Alpha	N of items
Destination Image	.846	4
Perceived Value	.740	9
Islamic Value	.849	4
Muslim Tourist Satisfaction	.891	5

Table 3 shows the Multiple Linear Regression Result. Based on the table, by performing the multiple linear regressions, it found that the  $R^2$  for tourist satisfaction indicates 0.769 which shows that 76.9% of the variance in Muslim Tourist Satisfaction in Lombok influenced by Destination Image, Perceived Value, and Islamic Value. The analysis result found that all factors which influence tourist satisfaction partially as well as simultaneously are positive and significant. Destination Image has Positive and Significant on Muslim Tourist Satisfaction of Halal Tourism in Lombok ( $b=0.347$ ,  $p=.000$ ). Therefore,  $H_1$  is accepted. This result is similar to Lita and Ma'ruf., (2015) that explained the factor that will gain a Tourist Satisfaction is Destination Image

because with a good image in the global market makes a destination look more beautiful.

Next hypothesis also accepted ( $H_2$ ) stated that Perceived Value has Positive and Significant on Muslim Tourist Satisfaction of Halal Tourism in Lombok ( $b=0.260$ ,  $p=.000$ ) similar result with a study of Putra et al (2016) demonstrated that perceived value is the important influences on the formation of tourist satisfaction. As perceived value is the starting point in the formation of attitudes for consumers and result in increasing the satisfaction.

For the third hypothesis stated Islamic Value has Positive and Significant on Muslim Tourist Satisfaction of Halal Tourism in Lombok ( $b=0.368$ ,  $p=.000$ ) is accepted ( $H_3$ ). This result is similar to Luthfi (2018) that demonstrated that Islamic Value is influenced the tourist satisfaction. It is because the variable that needs by Halal Tourism in visiting some destination and must be fulfilled.

Lastly, the result of simultaneously, destination image, perceived value, and Islamic value have positive and simultaneous significant on Muslim tourist satisfaction ( $p=.000$ ). Therefore, hypothesis four ( $H_4$ ) is accepted.

Dependent variable	Muslim Tourist Satisfaction			
Independent variables	Destination Image			
	Perceived Value			
Multiple R	Islamic Value			
	0.880			
$R^2$	0.775			
Adjusted $R^2$	0.769			
Std Error	1.33256			
F	121.744 Sig. 0.000			
N	110			
Model	<i>b</i>	Beta	t	Sig.
Constant	1.855		1.831	.070
Destination Image	.347	.376	4.371	.000
Perceived Value	.260	.346	7.348	.000

<b>Islamic Value</b>	.368	.403	5.060	.000
Muslim Tourist Satisfaction =				
1.885+.347Destination Image +				
.260Perceived Value + .368Islamic Value				

### CONCLUSION AND IMPLICATIONS

Based on the results of research, Muslim Tourist Satisfaction of Halal Tourism in Lombok is positively significant influenced by Destination Image, Perceived Value, and Islamic Value with 76.9%. In terms of Destination Image, by having a good image helped Lombok to be chosen as the Halal Destination. As perceived values by good quality, price, emotional, and social Lombok can satisfy it tourists. Islamic value, hence, eventually create the satisfaction of Muslim Tourist to Lombok. It is hope that Lombok can contribute in reaching the target of Indonesia Tourism by 20 million tourists arrival in 2020. It is approved that satisfied tourist could lead to revisit as well as spreading positive word-of-mouth to prospective tourist.

As for recommendations, Lombok needs to maintain existing facilities, improve the infrastructures and related Muslims Tourist necessities as it create the competitive advantage of Halal Tourism in Lombok. Other recommendation is given to future study could be used similar variables in other locations such as Nangroe Aceh Darussalam (NAD), West Sumatra, Banten, West Java, Central Java, East Java, South Sulawesi, etc. of halal tourism in Indonesia, therefore, it will create a sustainable halal tourism of Indonesia tourism which creates a competitive advantage for Indonesia in attracting

tourist to visit Indonesia for Halal tourism purposes.

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