

# THE SOCIOLINGUISTICS STUDY OF VARIETIES ADDRESSING SYSTEM IN BIMA-DOMPU SOCIETY

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Abstract: The aim of this paper is to explore the using of addressing system on their name in Bima society based on their social status in their social interaction. This study focusing on specific detail of addressing system name using around the social class of (suku mbojo) Bimaness (e.g. Dae, dae, Ruma, Muma, Papi, Uma, Ince, Lalu, Lala, Rato, Tati, Teta, Dade, Tato, Uba, Pua, and Ama Ka'u dan Ina Ka'u). Those names have constructed their status in social interaction based on their relatives and kingdom's breeds. The writer using library research based on the data found on the resources. In collecting the data focus only at Suku mbojo (Bima-Dompu) society. In conclusion the data result there are 17 addressing system using by Suku mbojo in their social life.

Key words: Varieties, Addressing System, Suku Mbojo

## A. Introduction

Addressing names is one of the important relationship between language and society. People, objects, events, experiences, and feelings have a particular label or name solely because a community of people have arbitrarily decided to so name them. Names play vital roles in every society, they symbolize a man's social position in relation to the people around him and his status is readily recognized. Address forms according to E. Chaika (1982) are socially driven phenomena, in other words they can mirror the complex social relations of individuals in a speech



community. Argue that "in different social context different terms of address will be used". Men and women use slightly different language styles.

The initial identification of women's register was by R. Lakof (1973) he argued that the style of language served to maintain women's (inferior) role in the society "female deficit approach". A later refinement of this argument was that gender differences in language is reflecting a power difference W. M. O'Barr and K. A. Bauan (1989) "Dominance theory". However, these perspectives have the language style of men as normative, impliedly, women's style as inferior. More recently D. Tannen (2007) has compared gender differences in language as more similar to 'cultural difference (Cultural difference approach). Comparing conversational goals, she argued that men have a report style, aiming to communicate factual information whereas women have a rapport style, more concerned with building and maintaining relationships. There are parts of address terms that are historically differentiated by sex alone, but which, overtime have gained different connotations (e.g., of status or values) and in some cases different denotations.

## **B.** Discussion

# 1. Bima-Dompu Society (Suku Mbojo)

Bima-Dompu is one of the society using the same language called Bima language (nggahi mbojo). The community of Bima-Dompu its called 'dou mbojo'it's mean Bimaness and Dompuness. Bima and Dompu is separated by regency its own each other namely Bima Regency lies at the east of Sumbawa island while Dompu it's self lies close to Bima its separated by sea and mountain.

Bima and Dompu laid in Sumbawa island which they have own language to inter act in their life, while Sumbawa regency lies in the west and own language called samawa language its used only in samawaness. So in



Sumbawa island there are 3 regency and two major language used. In this paper the writer would like to explore the using of predicate name in Bima language (*ngahi mbojo*) and limit only in Bima (*dou mbojo*) society language in used.

# 2. Language as Social Interaction

Languages are not merely concerning with linguistic matters but they also serve social functions as well. Language and society cannot be separated in their life to connect each other, understanding using language it can appear in language variation some of is society life. Bimaness has variation language in used based on situation and social status and class so, language is the key to a person's self identity. It enables the person to express motions, share feelings, and convey complex messages and knowledge.

According to Imberti, (2007) Language is our greatest mediator that allows us to relate and understand each other. It can be defined as a system of conceptual symbols that allows us to communicate. It also provides us with a significant frame of reference and a relational context that sustains our identities (Imberti, 2007). The social identity theory (Tajfel, 1974; Tajfel & Turner, 1979) focuses on the understanding of psychological processes driving intergroup discrimination. Consequently, the understanding of the link between language and social identity patterns is of great importance to the international business community. Based on the expert above the language is one of the tool of social inter act in their life to communicate each other and to create the easy transformation of anything in need, as in Bima-Dompu society the language is the kind of their identity by meant of using their own language itself.

In the ancient time Bima-Dompu society (*dou mbojo*) has own language called '*nggahi mbojo*' it's occur when the society landed in areal of Bima land and they constructed to be primarily language according to Erwin, dkk. (2013). In*dou mbojo* its self is compared with two major social class it's



low and high social class. Low social is the society common society or not breeds of kingdom while the high social is the breeds of kingdom.

# 3. The Prestige and Dialect to Construct Status Social (Status Symbol)

Prestige is the level of respect accorded to a language or dialect as compared to that of other languages or dialects in a speech community. The concept of prestige in sociolinguistics is closely related to that of prestige or class within a society. Generally, there is positive prestige associated with the language or dialect of the upper classes, and negative prestige with the language or dialect of the lower classes. The concept of prestige is also closely tied to the idea of the standard language, in that the most prestigious dialect is likely to be considered the standard language. Prestige is particularly visible in situations where two or more languages come in contact, and in diverse, socially stratifiedurban environments, in which there are likely to be speakers of different languages or dialects interacting frequently. Despite common perceptions that certain dialects or languages are relatively good or bad, correct or incorrect.

Prestige influences whether a language variety is considered a language or a dialect. In discussing definitions of language, Dell Hymes wrote that "sometimes two communities are said to have the same, or different, languages on the grounds of mutual intelligibility, or lack thereof", but alone, this definition is often insufficient. Different language varieties in an area exist along a dialect continuum, and moving geographically often means a change in the local variety..

# 4. Class, Wealth, and Prestige

In this paragraph there are three types of function of variables in social life, it can classify as social class: Power in the degree to which a person can control other people, Wealth is objects or symbols owned by people who have



value attached to them, and Prestige is the degree of respect, favorable regard, or importance accorded to a person by members of society.

While some differences between dialects are regional in nature, there are also social causes for differences in dialects. Very often, the "public prestige dialect of the elite in a stratified community differs from the dialect of the non-elite strata. In fact, in an article which in part tried to motivate the study of sociolinguistics, Fasold, Ralph (1990) wrote that "the importance of language as a mirror of culture can be demonstrated by dialect differences". Thus the relation between the way speakers use a language and their social status is a long recognized tool in sociolinguistics.

The customaddressing system nameforasocialcommunityisthe affirmationofasocialidentityandculturalidentityas well. Its use isofteninvoked toknowsocialstratificationwhichtends torepeaterascastedivisioninthe oldera. For the people ofBima-Dompu, addressing systemarealsoimportantnot only has to lookattheconnotativeside, but it's alsonecessarytofacilitate theperpetuation ofone's relationship.

# 5. The Addressing System of Suku Mbojo

For mostof the peoplein wide range, the use of a certainaddressing is already asocial legacy for generations. Thenin the present some of it's no longeraddressing systemserves to discriminate between a person's social statuses, but is used as an ickname for reducing the naming habits. Because it's in the tradition of Indonesian people particularly in 'dou mbojo' society, rarely do we call others to the original name with directly. The Bimaness (dou Mbojo) addressing system name commonly found in their communication each other in the same age, old and young, child to their parents. The familiar addressing system name found in 'dou mbojo': Dae, dae, Ruma, Muma, Papi, Uma, Ince, Lalu, Lala, Rato, Tati, , Teta, Dade, Tato, Uba, Pua, Ama Ka'u dan Ina Ka'u. To specification of all addressing system names can follows:



#### a. Dae

This addressing system name is derived from Gowa originally is Daeng. ThecontactbetweenBima and Makassarhasbecameconnectivityandadoptionof culturalkinship. There are two kinds the function of Daeng. First; Daengasthe titletoan older personorelder. Same with 'Mas' for the Javanese, Sundaneseor 'Akang'forpeople. Thisaddressing systemwas originallyonlyownedMakassar tribeofDaeng, andactually partof thetribal cultureof Makassar. Daengasa calltoan older personis usedequally tomen and women. Second; Daengis for more specificpartofpaddaengang. So, 'Paddaengang' isin the tradition ofMakassartribesisanimportant part. Politeorpaddaengangnameisusuallytakenfromthe names ofancestorsoreldersin thefamilyline ofMakassartribes. Butthere arealsoforms ofphysical characteristicsorbehavior. According tothe Bimanesstonguethe termDaengbecomesDae. The termis usuallyapplied tothe royal familywhostillhas akinshipto thetop oftheconsortofGowa. But nowDaehasgenerally accepted by society of Bima and Dompu, even though the reason why the title name of Dae is no specific as Dae itself, in generally now days the predicate name of Dae can be stated at new people. In Dompu calls Daeso metimes almost uniformly used asagreetingof respect forelders.

These callssound similar toDaeglance, but their mentionis verydifferent. IfDaecalledclearlyarticulatedconsonantsDisthick, itdoes notsoundthesameas'daewhichthe letterD itcame outthinby touchingthe tip ofthe tongueon thepalate. Its meaningis not clear, butthiscallwaspreservedinsomevillagesin the easterncity of Bima.

## b. Ruma

This addressing system for breeds of the king and who have relative from prophet of Muhammad saw. Example in Kareke village of Dompu called



'Ruma sehe', Sehe Boe' and for their direct descend. And it can be the people who have relative descant of the king. But now days this name are rarely found as the change of life style and democratization of mind set of the people didn't care much about it.

#### c. Muma

The term isalmost difficult to find in Gowacos mology and other areas in the archipelago. According to book of Bo' Sangaji Kai of Bimasuspected in Loir, (1999),Hendri Chambert & Maryam. it looks likethisiscalledrefractiondialectofRuma. However, most of these designations are alsousedin generalfor most peoplewhohavebreedskingdom. Mumawasassumedifthe termis derivedfromthe titleof traditional Minang'Mamak' isdefined asthe mainmotherinlocal customs. However, this allegation does not have the proper historical reasons. Some assume that addressing system name of Muma is the occur high class people from breeds of the king by their relatives. Some believe that using name of Muma is closely with the Ruma it's mean that high prestige people who have relatives from the king of Bima. In this day using of Ruma it is unfamiliar as change of live in new era so they soften to Muma more familiar then.

# d. Papi

This addressing system name is one of the *dou mbojo* prestige, most people used in Kandai 2 Dompu, Kampung Rato, Karijawa. They claim that this predicate coming to used as they are from relatives of the peerage or being prestige by the low social status.

#### e. Ince

This addressing system name is definitely derived from Malayu, rather than Pagaruyungin Minangkabautribe, from the beginning was Encikor Cik, which later became the dialect of the Bima Ince. The land is located in the



DistrictLambuMelayuvillagetoday.Naturally,then, thatin the villageto this daythetitlesremainpinnedtothe descendants ofMalayu.

#### f. Lalu

This addressing system name commonly found in Sasakness but this predicate also used in Dompu as their high prestige for a men, commonly foundin 'Kampung Rato' Karijawa of Dompu regency. This predicate is same as Rato but Lalu is using part of Muma, as an example: Lalu Rahman, Lalu Hidayat ect.

## g. Lala

This addressing system name same as Lalu but Lala used for the women, commonly found in Bali bunga, Kampung Rato, Karijawa, Bada and Mantro of Dompu (Lala Inda, Lala Sukmawati, Lala Ida ect.)

#### h. Rato

This addressing system name is one of the commonly used in Bimaness as the addressing for their high class social status. Rato mean same as Ruma and Muma.

#### i. Teta

This addressing system namecomes from the influence of Bugis Bone, This calls for special shown obility in society breeds Bone. ofthe word'Petta'. nicknameforthe villagechiefretainerorAnawhonever Pettais alsoa participated in the typical forces. The waslaterchangedin term chantingtheBimabecomesTetta. This name first time occur in Bima is during the army from Goa coming to Bima to help the army of Bimaness fighting again with Dutch army in Ngali and Dena. During that time the Goa army didn't back to Sulawesi so they married with Bimaness mostly they life in Sila, Dena, and Ngali.

## j. Uba



This addressing system name it is including the oldestinthe Bimacommunitytradition. The termis quitedifficultUbatraced inanthropological, andwhilethis may bealmost extinct from the Bimaassociation. aphenomenological perspective, If iudgingin the mention ofthe wordislimitedUbaalsoattributedtoa particularclan, whichrevolvesmoreSaperegion. Ubais the old language of the Bimato used as anicknamefortheKing'sloyalarmysince the days ofthe Hindu. werebraveandsupernatural. This termwasonlypinned to the malelineage. People of Sape are commonly used.

#### k. Dade

This addressing system name rarely found in *dou mbojo* society but this still found in Kandai dua, Karijawa, and Bada of Dompu. Dade is similarity as Muma but Dade is can be used for the people who working at the kingdom.

#### 1. Tato

This addressing system designationis also aninfluence name ofMelayuMinang. Datokwordtattoocomes fromtheMinangdialectis pronounced"Datuak", personthrough acustomary titlegiven is toa theagreementof peopleortribethat is inthe Minangkabau regionandsubsequentlyapprovedup to the levelof customarymeetingbyleadersof localtraditional leaders. This titlecanalsobe givenin additionto menbutalsoto andoftenaddedwithothertitlessuch asSri. In the history of the wifeofSultanAbdulHamidcalled thedaughter Bimawasthe ofSultanDatuHarunSagiriArrasyidKing of Sumbawa. Called Tattoos for Bimaness has been shorten the meaning for 'grandfather'. Soin commonly they are callinghis grandfatherasAto.

#### m. Tati

This addressing system namealsocomes from the Melayu.

OriginallywasDatin, whichis usedto refer to the high no bility Melayu,



currentlythe titleDatin. This titleis usuallypinned onfemaleorfemalelineage. According to the tongue of theBimanessbecomeTati. This titleis only inSorovillageMelayuDistrict ofLambu. Notsomanypeople are using it, becauseinthe villageof SoroMelayuthere, people whousethisdesignationare quitelimited, andapplyonlytoa particularfamily.

#### n. Uma

This addressing system name is the same as Ruma its mean to appreciate the old people or daughter to father. This title occur when the kingdom of Bima and Dompu 'great/berkuasa' up to now who have breeds of the king it's still used particularly in Dompu. This name had used for the people who have been going to hajj and commonly used for the daughter calling their father.

#### o. Pua

The term comesfrom the Bugis, who in Bugis dialect called Puang. The forces of Bugis who pioneered this new township on the east coast of Sape, then build in the region of the Bima Bugis culture. Perpetuating this culture is also legitimized by the Bima aristocratic relations are bound to Sulawesi, marriage with the king consort of Bugis, and other contacts. The name of Puang still widely used in rural communities in Sape Bugis and Melayu, which later changed over time according to the dialect of the Bima become Pua.

# p. Ama Ka'u and Ina Ka'u

This akingandhis predicate is for directdescendantsoftensummonedasAmaKa'uforthemen. andInaKa'uforthewomen. Thiscallmay seemmorewidelyandpopulist, because it suggestsa moresincererelationshipbetween the people andtheir leaders, so thatsociologicallyit will feelastrong emotional connectionbetweenthe people of BimawithKing. This termis a name(extension) for theoriginalBimapastsocietytoglorifytheirleaders. However, it looks likethisstarted asunlimitedcallsto asocialcommunitythat ismore established.



# C. Conclusion

It can be concludes for those addressing system occur in Bima-Dompu socialinteraction some isderivedfromuptake. It's influencedpredominantly by the cross-community interaction between the Bimaness with migrant communities. Cultural assimilation is very determinant has changed the culture of the original Bimaness become astrong social structure that implements a wide range of apply the outsider culture particularly Gowa Makasar culture. Included in the terms of use of addressing system name, the original names are always used with a custom label specific to affirm one's genetic identity.

Only differenceis that, ifinthe region of origin, the predicatethatis alwaysattributedaspartofaname. WhileinBima-Dompu, thepredicateis onlyusedas atypicalcallto simplydistinguishsocial status. For example; the generationsis always calledTatiandDatok, then peoplewill callwithTatiLaMala. Similarly,whenusedpredicate name of Dae, willbeDaeLaMala, orPuaLaMala, InceLaMala, TattooLaMala, TetaLa AnisandUbaLaAnis. In fact by using of predicate name that mean to polite and to close friendship.



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