

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter presents the explanation of some parts of introduction. Those are background of the study, statement of the research problem, the objectives of the study, the significances of the study and limitation of the study. They are necessary to be explained because they describe this study generally.

1.1 Background of the study

In this world we know that humans are in a social environment which means interaction between the community and the environment, or the environment that also consists of social or human beings. From statement above is in the environments where we all engage in different forms of social interaction regardless of the social structure established by the group. The importance of the environmental issue to human existence, with its implicit territorial dimension, cannot be overstressed. Resources are scattered across the surface of the globe, as a result of million year natural processes, and are appropriated by social groups according to their ability to generate technical instruments, which becomes in itself a focus of power, dispute and conflicts.

This social environment then forms a social system that has a big role in shaping a person's personality, and then there is an interaction between people or the community and their environment. In socialization, both socialization that occurs through experiences of social interaction and those that occur through moral teachings in each community group or individual itself is not possible to be

totally the same. The concept of environment is defined as the internal and external factors affecting a person (Masters, 2014). This statement explains which creates the need to answer questions about the existence of the world.

Social environment have a big influence on the individuals personality. Personality development is the relatively enduring pattern of the thoughts, feelings and behaviors that distinguish individuals from one another. The social environment of a person is first formed in a family environment and then the family environment is the first media that has an influence on a person's behavior and most importantly, children. Because in the family environment, children, is given various kinds of education so that they can become independent children.

Therefore, the family environment is a matter that has a big influence in getting provision to be able to carry out socialization in a very broad social environment. And not only can be done in the atmosphere of the house, but also can be used as provisions in the social environment or in living in a community. Not only does the family environment dominate but one example of a social environment also exists within the community. Social interaction within the community has diversity that is in accordance with the status and also their respective roles. This can be seen in the interaction between one citizen and other citizens such as the existence of cooperation, shoulder to shoulder, competition and mutual cooperation.

Social environment can be interpreted in other words, namely all external factors that affect the development of the human person, which comes from

outside the personal self. In the social environment not only about the community but governance also plays an important role. Such case can have great environmental impact because organizational actions are the largest direct source of many environmental problems (stern and Gardner, 1981a, 1981b; Stern,2000). This statement explains that, the determinants of individual behavior within organization are likely to be different from those of political or household behavior. In the current era the social environment of the government turns out to work on public policy, which is in direct contact with all the rules in shared life, both those relating to citizen relations with citizens and citizens relations with the government. So life together must be arranged. Not just rules of mouth, but rules that apply to binding all citizens. Each violator will be sanctioned according to the weight of the violation he committed, and sanctions will be imposed in front of the community by an institution that has the duty to impose sanction.

According to Bruce, Gregor, that terrorism can dramatically influence the world, as shown by the far reaching and prolonged effects of the attacks (2013). This statement explains that the definition of terrorism will affect communication and response to this issue and so have consequences for society and politics. However a suitable universal definition remains elusive because different bodies, organizations and government agencies have different definitions to suit their own particular role, purpose or bias. The real story is also the novel *In the Country of Men* by Hisham Matar that in the story about the tragedy of a child who witnessed terror around him because o a rebellion of some people against the local government, then his personality is influenced by the existing social environment.

The issue that is occurring in the ruthless Matar's novel is the existence of a new government in the country of Libya, so that many people who do not like the leader, eventually some people including Suleiman's father formed a strategy for rebellion over disagreement with the country's leader.

In addition to government, family and society also play an important role and have a major influence on the personality of each individual, especially Suleiman as the main character in Matar's novel. Everyone must follow the rules of the government, but the issue at that time was that some people and even some groups do not want to follow the rules of the government and eventually become rebels and a lot of terror emerges and is witnessed directly by a child aged 9 years. The real story above can be poured in the same content using *theory social psychology* is the study of society, a social science involving the study of the social lives of people, groups and societies and the study of our behavior as social beings, covering everything from the analysis of short contacts between anonymous individuals on the street to the study of global social processes. The dimension of social psychology became the main focus of *cognitive dissonance theory* which in the essence issue the cognitive dissonance, whether physical, knowledge, values, social condition and the mentality society.

1.2 Research Problem

Based on the background study, this study discusses social environment influence of Suleiman's. The problem to be discussed in this study:

1. How is the condition of Suleiman's social environment?

2. What kind of the role of the social environment that influences the development of Suleiman?

1.3 Objectives of the Study

Based on the research problem above, the objective of the study is:

1. To describe the condition of the Suleiman's social environment.
2. To explain the role of the social environment that influences the personality of Suleiman.

1.4 Signification of the Study

Theoretically, this study gives a better understanding about the social psychology especially cognitive dissonance theory in the literary research field. This study can be clarifying the definition about social dissonance because situation social and the role of the environment, in this analysis which will becomes a reference and measuring to the reader who wants take a similar theory or novel.

1.1 Scope and Limitation

The scope of this study focused on the Leon Festinger's social psychology theory especially cognitive dissonance theory, the parts of social psychology of literature theory is used as the theory in this study, so this study focused on how social condition can affect someone that is displayed in the novel, especially the social condition of Suleiman's social environment. Therefore, the limitation of the study is social condition in the Hisham Matar's novel entitled "In the Country of men". The data collected in the form of word, utterance, dialogues, the character

or an author's narration in the sources of data and other information to contribute in this study like document, article, etc.