

CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Study

Language is an important thing for human beings. It is able to help people to communicate each other. It is used to express ideas, informations and opinions. People expect other people to understand what they want by using language.

People commonly live together in one place and make communities. Every human community has different form of language that differentiates one to others. This is called language variety. Language variety is kind of language that has differences between one and other languages. There are many kinds of language variety that are found in society. One of the varieties is jargon.

Jargon is often used almost interchangeably to refer to obscure or secret language or language of a particular occupational group (O' Grady et. al, 1996). Jargon belongs to an occupational or social group speaking. Only the members of the group or occupation can understand it. Jargon is a special language that belongs exclusively to a group, often a profession. Jargon has many functions. It can identify people activity and can make easier of people to communicate with their fellows friends.

The discussion of jargon is very interesting. Jargon is different from common language, since people outside of a group are difficult to understand it. In this study, the writer analyzes the kinds of jargon and the factors that contribute to the existance of jargons in Areko Community of Kangean Island.

This study is carried out in Kangean Island. This Island is the place where Areko Community exists. Kangean Island is chosen to be the research location, because Kangean Island the gathering place of this community.

Areko Community is very unique. It becomes the subject of this study because Areko's jargons are the result of people's creativity. This community can be found in Duko village in Kangean Island. Jargons that are used by this community are so special. This community was originally a football club named Areko FC. The club does not exist anymore yet the supporters conjured it into a community, Areko Community. Areko Community was established on 27 December 1999 by the youth of the Duko village.

One of jargons that is used by a member of Areko Community can be seen below. The jargon was taken when the members of Areko Community were gathering with the other members of the community. They were talking about sports development in their village, football, and girls. See the following jargon uttered in a conversation below:

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Speaker 1 : Peang perekna nanak dimma?

English : Where does your girlfriend come from?

Speaker 2 : Eson perekna nanak angon-angon

English : My girlfriend comes from Angon-angon village

(Source: 29th May 2015, 19:18 WIB)

The conversation between Speaker 1 and Speaker 2 above shows that the first Speaker used jargon. The jargon *perekna* was used when first Speaker made a conversation in Areko Community. *Perekna* means a girlfriend. It is difficult to be understood by someone who is not a member of this Community without learn this jargon. It is one of causes that makes jargon is interesting to analyze.

There are some previous studies about jargon. For example, Kedo Arya A.T. from University of Semarang (2011), and Elis Yuniasih from University of Yogyakarta (2013). Both of the writers use the same theory of jargon which belongs to sociolinguistics theory. They concern the jargons which are applied by police institution and the members of Opera Van Java. So far, there is no study found about jargon in Kangean Island. Concerning the uniqueness of Areko Community jargons, and the lack study about Areko Community jargons, the writer aims to know further about their secret meanings. Therefore, the writer of this study analyzes jargons that are used by this Community.

1.2 Statement of the Problems

Based on the background study stated above, the writer formulates the problems as follows:

1. What kinds of jargons are used by Areko Community in Kangean Island?
2. What are factors that contribute to the existence of jargon of the Areko Community in Kangean Island?

1.3 Objectives of the Study

From the stated statement of the problem above, the purposes of this study are:

1. To explain the kinds of jargons used by Areko Community in Kangean Island.
2. To explain the factors that contribute to the existence of jargons of the Areko Community in Kangean Island.

1.4 Significances of the Study

This study provides theoretical and practical benefits. Theoretically, this study gives contribution to linguistic theory, especially sociolinguistics. Furthermore, it is useful for other writers who want to study about Areko Community by proving information about its jargons, and also gives the readers more understanding about jargon.

Practically, this study helps the readers to understand how jargons are applied by the members of Areko Community and how to communicate with them by using jargon correctly. This study also helps other communities to create and apply Jargon easily without making their members confused. Hopefully, this study helps the readers who want to apply Jargons to know where, when and how she/he should apply it. In addition, this study is expected to provide additional teaching materials of the teachers who teach jargons.

1.5 Scope and Limitation

The scope of this study is jargon. In addition, this study focuses on the types of jargon by Halligan (2004) and the factors that cause the use of jargon by Chaer and Leonia (2004). This study is limited on the utterances of Areko Community which contain jargons. Areko Community is the only one community in Duko village. Areko was originally a football club named is Areko FC but this club does not exist anymore, and then it changes become to a name of community. The members of Areko Community are the players of football and supporters, also the teenagers in Duko village.