

## **ABSTRACT**

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This study focuses on word formation process of registers used in Salt Farming Communities in Madura. This study aims to explain the word formation process of register and the characteristics of registers which are used in salt farming in Madura.

This study is conducted by applying a qualitative research design since the data are in the form of words and phrases. The data of this study are words and phrases which contain registers. The data were collected by using participant observation method. In analyzing the data, the writer used interactive data analysis. This study uses two theories proposed by Yule (2010) and Biber (1994) to analyze the data.

Based on the data analysis, the writer found 8 types of words formation processes involved in the process of forming registers in salt farmer communities in Madura. The word formation processes are the coinage (25 data), the borrowing (2 data), the compounding (2 data), the blending (1 data), the clipping (2 data), the conversion (2 data), the affixation (3 data) and the reduplication (1 data), 0 data belongs to backformation, acronyms and abbreviation. There were also four characteristics of registers in salt farming communities in Madura. Those are social setting, situation and purpose, addressor and addressee and topic. The four characteristics appear on all data.

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