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## The Role of Indonesian Language in Education: Building Character in the Millennial Era"

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### Astract

This article explores the challenges and efforts involved in the development of the Indonesian language within educational environments, particularly as a tool for shaping the character of the millennial generation. Education, as an official institution under the state's auspices, plays a crucial role in equipping individuals with the necessary skills to communicate effectively. However, in the current educational landscape, the use of Indonesian has diminished in quality, leading to concerns about its effectiveness as a medium of communication and character formation. This article discusses the importance of overcoming the fear of making mistakes, improving confidence in language use, and ensuring the correct application of Indonesian in both formal and informal educational settings. The aim is to revitalize the use of Indonesian language in education, thereby reinforcing its role in the holistic development of students and the preservation of the national identity.

**Keywords:** Indonesian language development, education, character formation, millennial generation

## INTRODUCTION

Education is institution official Which is at in lower shade country, in fact education is matter Which very important Which must owned every individual man. With education, it is hoped that it will be able to make the nation's children smarter. This can be seen from position or existence education Which stated in Constitution No.2 year 2003 about every inhabitant country have right Which The same For to obtain education Which quality And paragraph (5) every inhabitant country entitled get chance increase lifelong education. With certain conditions and up to certain age limits, in each system education Nationally there is usually a learning obligation.

Education Also No only do process learning or taught, but Also process Where man capable humanize child man. With education somebody capable develop potential Which owned so that What Which obtained in world education can utilized with as best as possible. Habullah (2011:1) explain that Education is defined as an effort carried out by a person or group of people so that become mature or reach level life or livelihood which are more tall in meaning mentally.

The existence of education in the midst of society today can actually be utilized with Good by circles academics And public lay, because on the reality knowledge knowledge is easily accessible through anything, so that it can increase knowledge- new knowledge that can be developed, either in formal or non-formal educational environments formal. Currently, the facilities in the world of education are very complete, from books to materials that needed are already available so that it facilitates the learning process. However, as

It is seen that currently many academic activists, students and even university students do not take advantage of it. This can be seen from the lack of desire of education seekers to know anything about it. Which there even happens in educational environments. So, education is basically a necessity for every person because with it... education somebody capable face various development And progress era Which come closer his life. With education somebody Can to form And to organize a better lifestyle so that the position and function of humans have a higher position higher compared to other creatures can be reflected. Therefore, there is no reason for people do not receive education.

One form of development of the times that comes at this time in the midst of life public Indonesia is emergence issue era Revolution Industry 4.0 Which want public in interaction social based on digital, in a way slowly Already start looks its existence. Through issue Revolution Industry 4.0, will give birth to generation Which named with generation millennials. Generation millennials have development Which striking compared to with generation previously. Darmo (2015: 21) explain results study mention that generation millennials have character Which unique in compare generation previously. Matter the seen from behavior human who does not Can regardless of technology.

The progress of the times that comes certainly has an impact on human life problems. One of them has an impact on the world of education, namely the curriculum, learning tools, and Language Which made into communication in

process Study teach in environment education.

These components must work in one direction so that they both support the goal. national education. For example, language, in addition to being used as a medium of communication in learning process, language can also be used as a means of forming human character. With language, a person's behavior can be known. With language, a person can interact with each other. share between the one with that other.

However, on the reality moment This development Language Indonesia the more decrease, especially in the world of education, it should be a big problem that must be resolved immediately. So that Language official the No the more viewed bad even No Again diverted And considered trivial. With existence education Language Indonesia is should Language Which Every day it is used to be good and correct language when used for communicate.

Small things we can do to improve the development of the Indonesian language today Wrong the only one when We do discussion in environment formal and also non formal It is better to use good and correct Indonesian, so that it can improve quality speak Indonesia. Matter This should must very be noted, so that world education No lulled with era Which the more proceed However Language Indonesia the more abandoned. With circumstances like this, the author is interested in writing an article with the title "Effort Development Language Indonesia in the World of Education".

## RESULTS STUDY AND DISCUSSION

### The Nature of Education

According to Arfani (in National Education Law No. 20 of 2003) the essence of education is Alone more oriented to formation character (personality/identity) somebody. Every stages education evaluated And monitored with so carefully become clear What Which become a person's positive potential that must be developed and what are the negative factors somebody Which need addressed. Root from character There is in method think And method feel somebody.

According to Arifin (2012:73) Education is part from activity life society and nation. Therefore, educational activities are a manifestation of the ideals of national ideals. Thus national education activities need to be organized and managed in such a way that national education as an organization can become a means for realize ideals National. In addition Ki Hajar The Council (1962:14) explain that Education generally means Power effort For advance growth kindness character (strength inner, character), mind ( *intellect* ) and the child's body in the sense of Taman Siswa No may separated parts That, so that we can advance the perfection of life, namely life And children's livelihood that we educate in harmony with his world.

Based on opinion the can concluded that education is method somebody For educate and to make smart self Alone so that reach ability Which can practice intelligence physique and also physical Which there is in self somebody so that capable

applied in his life. So that way a person's life can be decent lived and enjoyed properly in accordance with the world and its environment.

## **Education Enthusiast**

Dimensions education covers parties Which touch direct with problem education. Parties Which meant, that is started from organizer education, observer education, user education, observer education, And connoisseur education itself. Education enthusiasts are related to people who directly experience education. Thus, questions arise relating to the enjoyment of education, "Whether Already all over public Indonesia feel Sit down in seat education? If So the question is, of course we can aim and glance at the people around us, whether everything Already feel education. Answer question the is Not yet all Indonesian people feel education.

According to Nurkolis (2013:25) Education Also is A activity Which own a specific purpose or goal that is directed at developing human potential Good as man or as public with completely. Same as it is with a life that can be enjoyed by all levels of humanity on earth, then education too so. Education can enjoyed And felt by all over people man, However on fact Which There is Still Lots Which Not yet lucky For to enjoy seat education. This can be seen from the many human (young generation) Which still not sitting on the bench school.

## **Organizer Education**

Education is basically a conscious effort and planned to create learning

atmosphere so that students actively develop their potential to have strength spiritual religious, control self, personality, intelligence, attitude social And skills Which required himself, public, nation And country National Education System (in Jumali, et al., 2004:166) explains that a goal that is currently still being attempted to be achieved capable reach objective which really came true perfectly.

The world of education will not be separated from the auspices of the state which is able to regulate everything problems in it. However, its function and application in this case need to be improved. In matter This improvement as well as refinement world education can walk with It should be that the state, educators and students are able to make the world of education a thing Which must repaired and enjoyed to the fullest.

## **The problem Education**

According to Lailiyah, Wulansari (2016:166) stated that in the development of science And technology on world education must supported by ability utilization, development, and mastery of applied science and basic science in a balanced manner. However on fact Which There is in field Still Lots participant educate And activist education Which still have problems in pursuing education. This can be seen from the fact that there are still many students Which assume that education is a matter Which very make it difficult, especially in The teaching and learning process is the main thing in education

and language becomes Wrong One communication tools in learning.

The reality in the field is that Indonesian is not always used well by everyone, even academic activists. This is seen from the lack of desire of students use Indonesian properly and correctly as a means of communication. This is clearly visible even clear felt If somebody the get involved in world education, Language Indonesia felt No Language hang out, is Language rigid Which make it difficult somebody in communicating. In fact, if Indonesian is used to communicate well And Correct more make it easier every person communicate even can to preserve Language Indonesia itself.

Next, Lailiyah, Wulansari (2016:167) One of the efforts to increase mastery knowledge base is with increase skills speaking. In a way general eye lesson Language Indonesia aiming so that participant educate own ability between other (1) value And proud use Language Indonesia as Language unity And Language country, (2) understand Language Indonesia from aspect form, meaning, And function, as well as use it with appropriate And creative For various objective, needs, And condition, (3) using language Indonesia for increase intellectual abilities, and maturity emotional and social, (4) communicate effectively and efficiently in accordance with applicable ethics, both orally and in writing, (5) enjoying and utilizing literary works to expand outlook, to refine kindness character, as well as increase knowledge And ability speak,

(6) value And proud literature Indonesia as treasury culture And intellectual man Indonesia, Ministry of National Education (2006).

However, what can be seen now is that not all students, even academic activists, have this ability. This is very clear when we communicate in a social environment. education, They consider that Language in world education no so important. A simple example we can see when students communicate at school is not use Language Indonesia Which Good And True, However even the more in pervert its use. The problem like this is it Which should become attention main in education.

### **Effort Improvement Use Language as Formation Character**

According to Lailiyah, English in Juhana (2012:167) there is four factor Which causes students to experience difficulties in developing speaking skills, namely (1) afraid of being wrong, meaning students are afraid of making mistakes in expressing opinions or ideas that he has, (2) feelings of shame, meaning the emotional nature that appears when students are asked to speaking, (3) anxiety, is a feeling of tension, fear and restlessness that arises when students requested disclose in his opinion, And (4) not enough believe self, is feeling Which often occurs when students express their ideas and the ideas are not well understood by his friends.

Lailiyah, Wulansari in (Gudu 2015) stated that speaking skills with Good and correct language in students can be developed through three stages.

First, develop motivation, It means a student Which Good must can develop motivation

on themselves to be able to develop their speaking skills. Second, the role of the teacher, is task a Teacher For choose method Which appropriate And effective in develop skills speak on his students. Based on opinion And explanation the, so need learning strategy “new” that further empower students.

In addition, when the use of Indonesian, both spoken and written, is already at the right level of practice it will bring someone authority and status as citizens with character can be realized. Furthermore, it will have an impact on the position and function of the Indonesian language in the midst of Indonesian society. Language Indonesia as teak self nation, Language Indonesia as part from culture, And Language Indonesia as Wrong One alternative character formation No can materialize well.

If we look at the two concepts that have been put forward, it is clear that the use of Good and correct Indonesian will be seen when someone is involved in the world of education capable apply matter the in communicate daily And can developed. So that each student is able to practice communication using the language which is good with the help of the role of educators who are able to use methods in the process learning.

## CONCLUSION

Education is an effort that can be carried out by a person with a specific goal.in the form of trying to humanize human children. So that these efforts can run in accordance with what is expected in order to obtain the desired results. With education everything can be utilized well. In this case, namely regarding the use of language Good and correct Indonesian in communicating especially in the world of education, both formal and informal. and also non-formal.

Progress use Language Indonesia Which Good And Correct in world education should be done properly, so that when communicating/discussing students and activist academic will more easy do communication Because Already existence understanding about the importance of language development efforts Indonesia the good one and true, In terms of This is especially the world of education. With the efforts made, it is possible to make language Indonesian has again become a language that is well regarded by its speakers. In addition, we can to preserve Language official country that is Language Indonesia. With thus, education as well as The pursuit of Indonesian among academic activists can be improved and easy to do applied. So that in the world of education when communicating it will be easy to use Language Good and true Indonesia.

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