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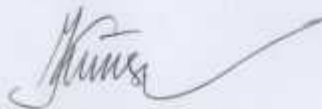
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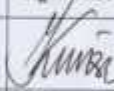
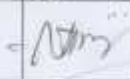
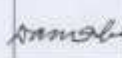
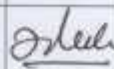
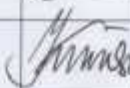


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Climb The Stairs”.**

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ABSTRACT

This research entitled “Plural Marking System of Manggaraian Language (ML)”. It is intended to answer the question, what are linguistic features of plural marking system of Manggaraian Language? The objective of this study is to identify and to describe the plural marking system of ML. The result of the study is useful for both the academic world and the practical life of the society, especially the speakers of ML.

To inspire the writing in doing study, a number of previous related studies were reviewed. Because the title raised is closely related to the morphological process, the theory that is used to analyze the data is morphological theory. In getting the data; it was obtained directly from the two informants by using an appropriate instrument that is verbal sentences translation. For this reason, a number of sentences were prepared in written form. Thus, the data obtained was in written and oral form. The data were analyzed through some steps: listing and translation, by gloss and by idiomatic gloss. The data analysis presentation is in formal way.

In line with the problem statement, there were nine formal linguistic features that morphologically mark plural system in ML found. (1) The morpheme *so'o* marks the plural noun. It is used to show things or objects that are close from the speaker. (2) *sio* and *situ* mark the plural noun. They are used to refer to distant objects. (3) The morpheme [-s] behind the words *ho'o* and *no'o* are plural markers for objects that are close from the speaker. (4) The morpheme [-s] behind the words *hio* and *nio* are the plural markers for objects that are far from the speaker but can be reached. (5) The morpheme [-s] behind the words *hitu* and *nitu* are the plural markers for objects that are further to the speaker but can't be reached or seen by him or her. (6) The word *so'o*, *sio*, *situ*, *ho'os*, *hios*, *hitus*, *no'os*, *nios* and *nitus/these*, *those*, *here* and *there* can collocate with plural nouns and the plural numbers two 'sua' and up. (7) Plural markers in Manggarai Language located in demonstrative such as *so'o*, *sio*, *situ*, *ho'os*, *hios*, *hitus*, *no'os*, *nios* and *nitus*.

In line with the significance and the finding of the study some suggestions are proposed. (1) The experts of linguistics should do continued study to confirm the linguistic evidence in forms of pluralization of ML. (2) Other researchers are suggested to conduct other researcher focusing on other possible morphological process in ML beside pluralization system. (3) The speakers of ML are suggested to feel proud having local language, ML, and to attempt to speak it in proper situation.

Key words: *plural marking system, Manggaraian Language.*

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