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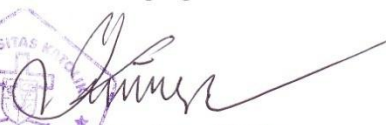
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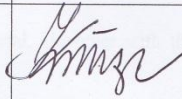
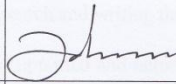
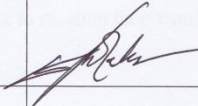
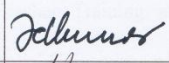
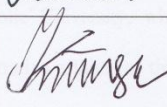
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## ABSTRACT

This research is entitled **Plural Marking System of Manggarai Language (ML)**. It is intended to answer the follow question. What is the plural marking system of ML? 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 writer in doing this study, a number of previous related studies were reviewed. To understand and direct the discussion of the study, a number of basic concept were defined. To analyze the data, the theory of morphology was applied. The study is descriptive qualitative . The data were obtained through elicitation techniques: translating the sentence in prepare in Indonesia Language into ML. For this reason, a number of sentence were prepared in written form. The data were analyzed through some steps : listing and translation, by gloss and by idiomatic gloss. The data analysis presentation is in informal way.

In line with the problem statement, some formal linguistic features that syntactically and morphologically mark plural system in ML, were found.(1) The morpheme [so'o] syntactically mark the plural nouns of ML. ( 2 ) The morpheme [-S] morphologically marks the verb functioning as the Process Material or Predicator of plural noun functioning as the Actor or Subject of a sentence in ML. (3) syntactic collocation of plural marked nouns of ML , the word so'o/situ 'these/those' can collocate with plural nouns it denotes and the plural numbers two 'sua' and up.

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

**Key Words:** Plurang Marking System , Manggarai Language.

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