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"Do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Today has enough trouble of its own"

(Mat. 6:34)

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ABSTRACT

This study is entitled "A Study on Gratitude terms of Tetun Fehan Dialect of Tetun

Language spoken by people in Lasaen of Malaka Regency" This study was conducted to find

the answers of two questions. (1). Are there any borrowed gratitude terms in Tetun Fehan Dialect

of Tetun language spoken by people in Lasaen of Malaka Regency? (2) What are the gratitude

strategies commonly used by the Tetun Fehan Dialect speaker? The method used in this study

was the qualitative method. The subject of the study was native speaker of Tetun Language in

Lasaen of Malaka Regency. The participants were ten people who were selected. They were

asked to respond to the statement used of gratitude terms. The instrument used by the writer to

compile data was the DCT (Discourse Completion Test). Next, the researcher made a DCT

which was then given to the respondent. The researcher copied the data obtained after collecting

the DCT, and then the researchers classified, qualified, and analyzed the data the gratitude terms

used by the people in Lasaen. Based on the results of the research, there are various kinds of

gratitude terms that the people of Lasaen village use when they receive something or get help,

but not all of the gratitude terms are used, the most commonly used are Terima kasih wain, and

Obrigado Barak. As the researcher has collected data, other gratitude terms are used only at

certain times, such as traditional events and other events, but this does not mean that other

gratitude terms are not important, they can all be used according to the context and by whom,

people who address gratitude terms, thus they can choose which one is appropriate and suitable.

Key words: Gratitude, Terms, Tetun, Language, Lasaen Village.

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