ABSTRACT

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A Descriptive study of resilience among victims of natural disasters: Survey among victims of earthquakes in Bantul region (P. Tommy Y.S. Suyasa, M.Si.,

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Natural disasters are a common phenomenon in every country throughout the world.

One particular natural disaster that have caused a tremendous damage in Indonesia

and frequently occurring is earthquake. Victims of these occurrences tend to

experience psychological problems. However, humans have the capacity to prevent

those psychological problems from happening. This capacity also enable human to

"bounce back" from negative experience such as natural disasters. The capacity is

called resiliency. Resilience is the human capacity to face, overcome, be

strengthened by, and even be transformed by the experiences of adversity

(Grotberg, 1999). This study was conducted to describe the resilience level of

earthquake victims. Subject that participated in this research are 121 earthquake

victims from Bantul region in Indonesia. This research used 2 types of questionnaire

that measure resiliency. The questionnaires were constructed by using the 7 factors

theory by Reivich and Shatte and the "I have", "I can", "I am" theory by Grotberg. The

result of this research showed that subject's resilience level tend to high. This result

was concluded by mean value from 7 factors questionnaire of 3,37 (SD=0,36) and

mean value from "I have", "I can", "I am" questionnaire of 3,46 (SD=0,38).

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