

# **Social Values in *The Robohnya Surau Kami*** **by A. A. Navis**

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## **Abstract**

In carrying out life, human beings will never be separated from the social environment. As social beings, humans interact with each other and to realize order in them requires mutual agreement. Social values are very important. Social value is not only found in the learning material, but we can also get it in short stories. As an example of the social value contained in the short story *The Collapse of Surau Kami* by A. A. Nafis. This study aims to examine in depth the social value contained in the short story *Collapse of Surau Kami* by A. A. Nafis. By looking at several existing theories that are then used to analyze every social value contained in the short story *The Collapse of Surau Kami* by A. A. Nafis. The approach used in this study is a qualitative approach. While the type of research is included in library research. In accordance with his research, the researcher made a novel *Lingkar Tanah Lingkar Air* by Ahmad Tohari for research. The research method is to collect data that is used as a source of analysis of the text being studied, or also called the documentation method. Documentation in this study is to collect related data in the form of writings that are relevant to the focus of the research. Furthermore, the qualitative analysis method using content analysis (content analysis). The social values of the results of this study are: (1) Material values. (2) Vital values. (3) Spiritual Values.

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## **1. Introduction**

In carrying out life, humans will never be separated from the social environment. As social beings, humans interact with each other and to realize order in it, mutual agreement is needed. Social values are very important. Today, we see the reality of the social life of the Indonesian nation is experiencing increasingly sharp polarization, elbowing and attacking each other. The existing social institutions seem to have only two sides, white on one side and black on the opposite and opposing side. This happened due to several factors, among others, social and cultural politics. Every human being seems to be an expert in all fields, free to comment wrapped in harsh words. As a nation rich in culture, we should be more and more united along with technological advances that increasingly amaze us. For that, we need to learn noble social values to continue to be cared for and maintained. Social values are not only found in learning materials, but we can also get them in short stories, one of which is the short story *The Collapse of Our Surau* by AA Navis.

The purpose of this research is to explore the social value in the short story *The Collapse of Surau Kami* by AA Navis. There are two benefits in this research, namely theoretical benefits, knowing about the social value in the short story *The Collapse of Surau Kami*, and enriching intellectual treasures for the development of science. The second is practical benefits, namely as the author's academic responsibility, as well as research contributions to raise social values in short stories.

Social value is everything that is considered good and right, which is coveted by society. So that social values can be created in society, it is necessary to create social norms with social sanctions. Social value is an award given by the community to everything that is good, important, noble, appropriate, and has functional utility for the development and goodness of living together. Social values are values held by a society, regarding what is considered good and what is considered bad by society. For example, people perceive helping to have a good value, while stealing is a bad value. To determine whether something is said to be good or bad, appropriate or inappropriate, it must go through a weighing process (Ahmad Risdi, 2019).

Notonegoro mentions, social values are divided into three: Material values, namely everything that is useful for the physical elements of humans, such as food, water, or clothing. Vital values, namely everything that is useful for humans to carry out activities and activities. Spiritual values, namely everything that is useful for the human mind or spirituality (Notonegoro in Ahmad Risdi, 2019).

## **2. Research Methods**

The method used in this study is a qualitative research method, namely a research method carried out in an effort to present the social world and its perspective in the world in terms of concepts, behavior, and human problems studied (Lexy J. Moleong, 2012). The qualitative method approach chosen is descriptive analytical. The type of research used in this research is Library Research or library research. Library Research or library research is a type of research that makes library materials in the form of books, scientific magazines, documents, and other materials that can be used as a reference source in this research (Sutrisno Hadi, 2003). The object of this research is the social values in the short story *The Collapse of Surau Kami* by AA Navis.

In this study, the data collection method used is documentation. Documents are records of events that have passed, which can be in the form of writing, pictures or monumental works of someone. Documents that include relevant books, newspapers, internet, articles, biographies, pictures, films and data relevant to research. In this case, the author collects data from various literatures such as books and articles to find data about the short story *The Collapse of Surau Kami* by AA Navis (Sugiono, 2015). The data analysis technique used in this research is content analysis or content analysis. Content analysis is intended to determine the meaning, position and relationship between various concepts, policies, activities, events that exist (Nana Syaodih Sukmadinata, 2012).

## **3. Results and Discussion**

After the author conducted a study of the short story *Short story The Collapse of Surau Kami* by AA Navis about the existence of social values, in this chapter the author will explain more clearly about the analysis of social values.

### **3.1. Material Value**

Material value is the value that exists or arises because of the material, for example gold. Gold has a certain value that arises because the object has a shiny yellow color and does not fade, so it has many uses for making jewelry, the value contained in an object. Material value is everything that is useful for the human body (basic human needs), for example: beauty in the body, clothing, housing, food. (Notonegoro in Ahmad Risdi, 2012). The following excerpts indicate material values:

“If several years ago Master came to my hometown by bus, Master would have stopped near the market. Then about a kilometer from the market, you will arrive at my village road. At the small intersection to the right, the fifth intersection, turn onto the narrow road. And at the end of the road you will meet an old surau. In front of it is a fish pond, the water of which flows through four showers.”

From the quote above, there is a material value, namely something that is useful for grandfather's life, namely the old surau, which grandfather used as a place to live.

### **3.2. Vital Value**

Vital value is a value that exists because of its use, for example a knife. Knives have a certain price or value because of their sharpness that can be used to cut something, but if this knife is blunt, its value will decrease. Vital values are everything that is useful for humans in carrying out various activities in meeting their needs, for example: expertise and knowledge, vehicles, telecommunication facilities (Notonegoro in Ahmad Risdi, 2012). The following excerpts indicate material values:

“But as a garin he is not very well known. He is better known as a knife sharpener. Because he is so good at his job.”

From the quote above, there is a vital value, namely grandfather's expertise in sharpening knives as one of grandfather's efforts to fulfill his life needs.

### **3.3. Spiritual Value**

Spiritual values are values that exist in the human psyche which consist of aesthetic values, moral values, religious values and scientific or logical truth values. Spiritual values are everything that is useful for human spiritual needs, for example: Pancasila values, Religion and Views Human life (Notonegoro in Ahmad Risdi, 2012). The following is a quote that shows the value of spirituality/spiritual:

**"And in the left courtyard of the surau, you will meet an old man who usually sits there with all his old behavior and obedience to worship. He had been Garin, the surau guard for many years. People call him Grandpa."**

From the quote above, there is a spiritual value, namely grandfather's obedience in worship.

In another quote it is stated:

**"People like to ask him for help, while he never asks for anything in return. Women who ask for help sharpen knives or scissors, give him chili in return. Men who ask for help, give him cigarettes in exchange, sometimes money. But what he receives most often is a thank you and a little smile."**

From the quote above, there is a moral value, where grandfather often gets rewarded after he helps people, here it is seen that people's awareness that life requires empathy. Also, although grandfather often gets a reward in the form of gratitude and a smile, he still helps people. In another quote it is also mentioned:

"Angry? Yes, if I was young, but I'm old. Parents hold variety. I haven't been angry in a long time. I'm afraid that if my faith is damaged because of it, my worship will be damaged because of it. For so long I have done good, worshiped, put my trust in God. It's been so long since I surrendered myself to Him. And God will love those who are patient and trusting."

From the quote above, there are religious values, where grandfather keeps his faith and worship so as not to be damaged, and also does good and trusts. In another quote it is explained:

**"Like everyone else, you know? I don't think about my own life. I don't want to findrich, build a house. All my life, physically and mentally, I surrender to Allah Subhanahu wataala. I have never troubled other people. A fly refuses me to kill it. But now I'm said to be a cursed human. Hell bait. Would God be mad if that was what I did, you think? Will he curse me if all my life I serve Him? I don't think about my tomorrow, because I believe that God exists and is compassionate and merciful to his people who are trusting. I wake up early. I wash. I beat the drum to wake people from their sleep, so that bow down to Him. I pray all the time. I praise Him. I read His book. Alhamdulillah I said when I received His gift. Astagfirullah I said when I was surprised. Masha Allah I said when I was amazed. What's wrong with my job? But now I'm said to be a cursed human."**

From the quote above, there are religious values, namely surrendering one's life to Allah, and trying to carry out His commands and stay away from His prohibitions.

**"Finally, it was Haji Saleh's turn. Smiling proudly he worshiped God. Then God asked the first question. 'You?'**

**'I'm Saleh. But since I've been to Mecca, Haji Saleh is my name.'**

**'I didn't take the name. Name for me, noneed. The name is only for you in the world.' 'Oh, my God.'**

**'What do you do in the world?' 'I worship You always, my Lord.' 'Other?'**

**'Everyday, every night. Even every time I mention Your name.' 'Other.'**

**'Yes, my Lord, I have no other job than to worship You, chanting Your name. Even in Your love, when I am sick, Your name is also the fruit of my lips. And I always pray, pray for Your generosity to convert Your people.'**

From the quote above, there is a religious value, namely Haji pious who tried to carry out His commands, namely worshipping Him, chanting His name.

#### 4. Conclusion

Social problems that have recently occurred, should be described. As an academic person who has social responsibility, it is appropriate to try to answer the existing problems. Overcoming existing social problems can be done in several ways, one of which is by exploring the social values that exist in literary works, one of which is short stories.

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