## **ABSTRACT**

## Hairunnisyah (2018), **PHONOLOGICAL VARIATION BETWEEN** *SAMBORI* LANGUAGE AND *BIMA* LANGUAGE

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The objectives of this research are to find out the phonological variation which occurs in Sambori language as the old spoken language by Bima people and Bima language as their contemporary spoken language. Beside it, this research discusses two problems. The first is to analyze the phonological variation in Sambori language and Bima language. The second problem is to identify the dominant type of phonological variation in Sambori language and Bima language.

This research is qualitative research which uses empirical facts in collecting and analyzing the data through three ways. The first is by gathering the data from books and articles; the second is by interviewing the informants via telephone; and the third is by objectives theory, observing and noting. This research also applies the theory of phonetics by Peter Ladefoged and John Lyons, and the theory of phonology by Daniel Jones and Heinz J. Giegerich.

This research shows that there are five phonological variations in Sambori language and Bima language include consonant variation, vowel variation, consonant omission, morpheme omission, and consonant addition. The dominant type of the phonological variation is consonant variation.

**Key words:** phonological variation, Sambori language, Bima language, consonant, vowel