

## ABSTRACT

*The disease is an important topic in the Javanese life. This study aimed to describe the disease classification and traditional Javanese treatment to find out the Javanese world view to disease. This study uses an anthropological linguistics approach to qualitative research design or contextual research. The term of diseases discuss is highly dependent on disease lexicon in the Javanese language. The data collection refers to the technique, note, participation observation, and interviews. Research shows that the lexicon of a disease in the Javanese language provides information on disease identification, disease classification, and traditional medicine that contains the Javanese world view to the disease.*

*The Javanese language has at least 463 disease lexicons that have been tested in accordance by theory and can be defined as a term of disease. Identification of disease lexicon has done by semantic relationships between terms that allow cover *lêlara* 'disease' and the terms that covered, which can be described as *X* is one type of *Y*. The disease classification is based on Javanese disease lexicon in line with the Berlin's Theory. The classification consist level 0 is Unique Beginner category, level 1 is Life Form category, level 2 is Generic category, level 3 is Specific category, and level 4 is Varietal category, plus Covert Category. The Unique Beginner in disease classification is *lêlara* 'disease'. *Lêlara* 'disease' word is not a single word, but the repetition of the word *lara* 'sick'. There is a possibility, at first Javanese people did not recognize *lêlara* 'disease' and only knew *lara* 'sick', so that the Javanese people do not recognize the Life Form category in the classification level.*

*The diseases classification can also be performed based on the cause, namely (1) *lêlara lumrah* 'naturalistic disease', (2) *lêlara ora lumrah* 'personalistic disease', (3) *lêlara tua* 'oldness disease', (4) *lêlara sawan* 'convulsions' and (5) *lêlara rêna-rêna/mawarna* 'epidemic'. The Javanese traditional medicine is based on the disease classification according to the cause, that is by giving *tamba* 'medicine', *jamu* 'the jamu/herbs', and ritual. The Javanese traditional medicine is also include other things, such as a traditional Javanese treatment history, symptoms, diagnosis, traditional healers, and its modernization.*

*The results of this study concludes that the Javanese perspective to the disease consist of how the identification, classification, and disease management comes from their thinking and character which contain the local wisdom of Javanese values. The Local wisdom is *pitutur luhur* 'precious advice for goodness' that contains philosophical values to the disease and disease prevention.*

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