

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

This chapter sums up all details of the findings and discussions briefly into some key points followed by some recommendations for further discussion relating to the research of language maintenance.

5.1 Conclusions

Considering the fact that maintaining indigenous languages is an essential factor in perpetuating the local culture and the national identity, several concerned parties such as government, teachers, and indigenous speakers should take an active step in order to maintain the language. For instance, the government should consider indigenous languages as a medium language in teaching learning process rather than just as a lesson.

In addition, parents should give comprehension to their children or young generations about the importance of using mother tongue to avoid indigenous languages particularly Javanese from fossilization.

5.2 Suggestions

The research suggests that for educational agents, integrating indigenous language in school programs be one essential way to avoid language fossilization. Students are immersed in the language, and it is used as a medium of preserving the language rather than as a lesson only. This method has proved very

successfully in many different countries such Wales and Israel as a means of learning a second language.

For parents, using indigenous language in home is essentially required to give children self-esteem about their own language and one way to introduce local culture and also to strengthen the process of language maintenance.

For researchers who want to conduct research related to language maintenance, this research may be a reference providing useful information and can help them to do the research. Furthermore, it is better for researchers to allocate more time in conducting the research and to find more theories that support the language maintenance in order that the research can be more in-depth.

To sum up, in globalization era in which the demands to learn foreign languages increases significantly, maintaining indigenous languages is a very essential factor in perpetuating the local culture.

