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PESANTREN IN THE PERSPECTIVE SOCIAL CHANGE

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ABSTRACT

fact, Islam only continues its progress, preserves it culture, and historically it did not contain only Islamic meaning, but also the meaning of Indonesian originality Culturally, and also Islamizes its concept. Pesantren because pesantren had indeed already existed during fact, pesantren tradition is a form of social system that associated with social change experienced by santri and kyai might be seen through two aspects; pesantren tradition as cultural base and pesantren tradition as mediator between santris and kyai's needs. In actual grows prosperously in pesantren environment built by the kyai. This developed system is built on a very strong marriage alliance, intellectual genealogy, and santribasis through the kinship social genealogy of the kyai, the next level, pesantren is considered an alternative in the pesantren environment but also outside it. On kyai relationship aspects that are not only restricted should be considered more in developing Indonesia educational institution that is necessary for society and pesantren with all its elements and its achievements is an undisputable fact in order to foster up the Islamic education education system in Indonesia. period of Hinduism-Buddhism in Indonesia. pesantren was born from system nowadays. The existence of Indonesian tradition

Keywords: pesantren, Indonesia, social change.

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INTRODUCTION

awareness of environment ecology. in facing up the life's challenges requires education The phenomenon of education system as knowledge, children should be done in balance system which is because the intelligence, skills, society needs a comprehensive and holistic a reaction of the communicative between the assessment in skills, social need value and

Facing up the problems, *pesantren* as one of the models of multi-education systems that have already existed in Indonesia since many years ago, in my opinion, *pesantren* has experienced many shiftings and adjustment with the environment in an effort to develop and create a better educational goal for accomplishment. Because, as a matter of fact, *pesantren* is a multi-dimensions life view in which the school is a place to build self-confidence and self-defense to face the real challenges.

support based on pesantren functions and its roles to the society. spreading in various ways with all their strengths and weaknesses, even However, its development and growth are usually depends on community the school becomes as one of alternatives of the educational institutions.² educational view, skills, social transformation; and the Indonesia government introduces a new form of pesantren called Pondok Karya Pembangunan and Pondok Pesantren Terpadu with the new changes environment. Thus, pesantren development is improving in terms of pesantren, especially III. Java and Madura, have n the existence of been

show themselves as better transformers who give highest praise to ethics assumed to generate more problems in society, especially deals with the might be still traditional, it survives and considered way to balance the glamorous and hegemonies modern life style that is it differs from each other; it seems conservative, but values and moral crisis. By knowing their position, educated people will balances Although it has been admitted that pesantren is a classic institution and which are At glance, most pesantren can be considered similar, but indeed, itself to the world development either implicitly or explicitly. expected to provide safety for the whole eco-system. it transforms and as an alternative

² Bahri Ghazali (2002), *Pesantren Berwawasan Lingkungan*, Jakarta: Prasasti, **p**. 9.

this mean, pesantren has transformed itself from 'salaf' to 'khalaf', means that pesantren is changing from traditional to the more modern institution. If this spiritual value is implemented earlier, let's say from the cradling time and become an education image, students will automatically struggle to serve security and peace in the world. By these broad dimensions to be nurtured, Pesantren as one of educational institutions is a perfect alternative place to face the fast impact of modernization to students.

SOCIAL CHANGE PERSPECTIVE

The changes happened in society, especially in social interaction behavior, cannot be understood without using the concept of social change. There are some matters that may cause the changes of social interaction in society, one of which is the existence of governance characteristic changing or the shifting of paradigm followed by the government in that era.

The science that studies the social interaction in society is sociology. It discusses various symptoms appearing in society. So, sociology has a tight connection with the social change discourse in which the changing reflects a change from certain condition to another in society. According to Gunawan, the social change concept is very important to be used to observe various changing in society especially dealing with the changes in social interaction in society.⁴

Some problems concerning the limitation of the social change meaning have already been discussed for so long by several sociologists. To avoid some vagueness or miss-understanding, the discussion on the social change can be turned back to some previously discussed terms conducted by several well-known sociologists. From the shown terminology, it must be easy to explain what social change is and in what context the terminology is used.

Based on William F. Ogburn and Meyer F. Nimkoff's opinion in Samuel Koenig, the range of social change includes the culture elements both material and non-material. If it is connected with the theme of this

Kuntowijoyo (1991), Paradigma Islam: Interpretasi Untuk Aksi, Bandung: Mizan, p. 252.

⁴ Ary H. Gunawan (1977), Sosiologi Pendidikan Suatu Analisis Sosiologi tentang Pelbagai Problem Pendidikan, Jakarta: Rineka Cipta, p. 3-5.

analysis, the intended social change is the students' shifting and behavior changing in studying the yellow book (*Kitab Kuning*). Subjects of the study are the culture of students-*kyai*, students-religion teachers, and students-students relationship.⁵

Furthermore, Soerjono Soekanto states that according to Gillin and Gillin and Szmuel Koenig, social change is a form of variation of accepted life style. There are some factors to be mentioned; geographic condition, material culture, population composition, ideology, or even diffusion and new findings in society. While in Samuel Koenig, social change refers to the modifications of life's patterns in society.

focus is in the social institutions as the main core of human association in including social values, attitude, and behavior in the society's groups.7 The adapt the condition internally as well as externally. Next, Selo Soemarjan occurred in social institutions in society that influences in Soerjono Soekanto states that social change is all the form of changes information, as the lack of information and energy, the the change or transformation in the action system or in the connection of which the changes are influenced by the so called society structures some action systems. The source of the change consists of the excess of between several action systems gives opportunity to the establishment of Parsons, the continuance process of In the other part, Soerjono Soekanto information and energy states that according to the social system system will try to

Riyadi Soeprato suggests the social change occurs in all kinds of life aspects, in the social values, organization behavior patterns, social organization patterns, social stratifications, and so on. He mentions that recent social changes are common and seen as normal symptom by which spreading of the social changes can be widely spread to other countries in the whole world. In Gunawan's opinion, commonly, most sociologists believe that social change is a common social symptom and it is considered as the society characteristic that keeps on moving to find a new condition

⁸ Riyadi Soeprapto (2002), *Interaksionisme Simbolik, Perspektif Sosiologi Modern*, Jakarta: PT. Pustaka Pelajar and Averoes Press Malang, p. 5.

and continue moving.⁹ As a normal symptom, almost all society will experience transformation or change. Those who experience the change are those who have a high dynamic social interactions and it is applicable on the way around. On the other hand, some other sociologists say that the social change should happen because of the social elements changing to maintain social balance, such as the change of geographic, biological, economic and cultural elements.

Every society always experience social change either in wide or narrow range, in the form of revolution (rapid change) or evolution (slow change). Basically, social change is a continuance process to support social development and progress and the change is also dealing with the economical growth.

According to Spott, as quoted by Faisal, social change is a change in society. If we take a look at the causal side, social change includes exogenous change (external change) and endogenous change (internal change). Furthermore, based on the level of occurrence there is an episodic changes and pattern change. In other words, from the characteristics, there are planned and unplanned social changes. The unplanned social change usually promotes some controversies harming the society. In contrast, the planned change is the change of the social institutions or organizations which is well prepared by the agent of change.

Whereas in Soelaiman, ¹¹ Himer and Moore proclaim there are three social change dimensions; they are structural, cultural, and interactional dimensions. First, structural dimension refers to the structural change occurred in society that involves role transformation, the occurrence of some new roles and also the change in the social class structure as well as social organizations. Second, social change in cultural dimension refers to the cultural change in society such as the existence of new discoveries in science or any kind of knowledge, the renewal of technological products, other culture contact that may result in the diffusion and borrowing. Third,

⁵ Soerjono Soekanto (1987), Teori Sosiologi Tentang Perubahan Sosial, Jakarta: Ghalia Indonesia, p. 335-336.

⁶ Ibid., p. 337.

^{&#}x27; Ibid., p. 53.

⁹ Ary H. Gunawan (1977), op.cit., p. 4-13.

Sanapiah Faisal (1975), Sosiologi Pendidikan, Surabaya: Usaha Nasional, p. 89.

M. Munandar Soelaiman (1998), Dinamika Masyarakat Transisi, Mencari Alternatif Teori Sosiologi dan Arah Perubahan, Yogyakarta: PT. Pustaka Pelajar, p. 115-121

gap, line, regulations or patterns and form of relationship. relationship in society, which related to the change of frequency, social social change in interaction dimension aims at the changing of social

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santri, will not get out of discussion of kyai and pesantren as well. meanings; first, refers to a group of students in pesantren or pondok, relates and binds the kyai and also his students. 12 Terminologically, the first meaning is studied in detail. Furthermore, word santri (students) in Indonesia and especially for Muslims has two for everyone; whom many villagers rely on. villagers and also students. On the other side, the kyai are being patrons (Islamic boarding school) as a traditional Islamic educational institution delivers his Islamic knowledge to villagers and his students. Pesantren and highly in a society. His scholar) Social studies about Islamic Leaders in Indonesia show that kyai (Muslim considered as second, is viewed in this is a prominent figure who has strategic and regarded person in the society. As the educated elite, kyai refers to cultural root of Muslims. In an important means to do knowledge central position relates to their status patronage especially because of this pattern The central position of the discussion about transfer both to central position as an educated this essay, the

and pesantren. 13 students stay can be considered as the disguising factor meaning, although there is a little difference. Dormitory in which the can be called as pesantren. Essentially, all of these terms have the same be considered as pondok; or both of the words; pondok and pesantren, Meanwhile, the term pesantren, in everyday context, can only between pondok

In Aceh, it is called as rangkang or meunasah; in West Sometimes, it is only called simply as pondok or pesantren. in the history of Islam in Indonesia, especially in Java and Madura. This educational institution is the oldest pondok pesantren Islam. Pesantren is an Islamic educational institution that has an important Sumatra named

sastri, and suffix -an. It means a place where santri stay. 14 While the word santri, according to Nurcholish Madjid, can be of religion through religious books written in Arabic. 16 On the other side, is literary class for Javanese people who try to obtain deep understanding according to Nurcholish Madjid, is likely First, the opinion which states that the word santri comes from a word who knows about holy books of Hinduism, or a scholar of Hinduism holy Zamakhsyari Dhofier says that the word santri in Indian means someone science books.17 books. Or in general, it can be meant as a word from Sansekerta The term pesantren derives from the word santri with prefix pethat means based on the opinion that santri viewed from two judgments. holy books, religious books or literate. This judgment,

always follow his or her teacher wherever the teacher goes or stays. 18 comes from Javanese, from the word cantrik, which means someone who and get knowledge of various aspects of Islam from a kyai or teacher santri, and recitation of Kitab Kuning.20 If someone enter a pesantren, he Tafsir that pesantren is the oldest Islamic educational institution that its (religion teacher or ustadh). 19 The same opinion is also stated by Ahmad and basic components as follows; the kyai, pondok (dormitory), mosque, growth is acknowledged by the society around it. It has five characteristics Manfred Ziemek asserts that pesantren means a place where santri stay teacher and also as an educator; (2) Santri she will find some elements as follows: (1)The kyai, as the functionary, as (3) Mosque, a place to hold education, salat jama ah, etc; and (4) Pondok, a place in which the santri live.21 Meanwhile, Zamakhsyari Dhofier adds Second, the opinion which states that actually, the word santri , people who learn from the kyai;

Endang Turmudi (2004), Perselingkuhan Kyai dan Kekuasaan, Yogyakarta:

Demokratisasi Institusi, Jakarta: Erlangga, p. 1. 256 Qomar (2005), Pesantren Dari Tarnsformasi Metodologi Menuju

Jakarta: LP3ES, p. 18. 14 Zamakhsyari Dhofier (1986), Tradisi Pesantren, Studi tentang Pandangan Kyai,

¹⁵ Nurcholish Madjid (1997), Bilik-bilik Pesantren, Sebuah Potret Perjalanan, Jakarta; Paramadina, p. 19-20.

¹⁶ Yasmadi (2002), Modernisasi Pesantren Kritikan Nurcholish Madjid Terhadap Pendidikan Islam Tradisional, Jakarta: Ciputat Pers, p. 61.

¹⁷ Zamakhsyari Dhofier (1986), op.cit., p. 18.

¹⁸ Yasmadi (2002), op.cit., p. 62.

¹⁹ Manfred Ziemek (1986), Pesantren dalam Perubaan Sosial, Jakarta: P3M, p.

Remaja Rosda Karya, p. 91. Ahmad Tafsir (1994), Ilmu Pendidikan dalam Perspektif Islam, Bandung:

A. Mukti Ali (1980), Peran Pondok Pesantren dalam Pembangunan, Jakarta:

elements with the recitation of Kitab Kuning or classical religious

funduq, which means hotel, dormitory, house, lodging, or simple home named pesantren. 24 padepokan or kombongan (residence), that is terraced house in the form of rooms as a dormitory for santri; and the place where santri are studying is stay.23 According to Prasojo, pondok in pesantren in Java is similar to pondok pesantren. Different from pesantren, pondok comes from Arabic In Indonesia, the term of pesantren is more popularly named as

the progress, maintain it and also Islamize it. 25 pesantren not only contain Islamic meaning, but also has existed during the period of Hinduism-Buddhism. Islam only continues Indonesian authenticity. It is because the pioneer of pesantren, actually, Indonesian culture. Historically, Norcholish Madjid asserts that above terminology of pesantren culturally the meaning of was originated

democratic environment.27 scope. It is because, in fact, the nature of pesantren is known as a free and between the kyai and his santri which is not limited only by pesantren intellectual genealogies and relation between through the kyai social genealogical kinship, network of marriage alliance, system developed in this pesantren is formed from strong foundation environment through kinship system established by the kyai.26 The kinship the Pesantren tradition is a form of social system that grows in pesantren interests between the kyai and santri. As stated by Zamakhsyari Dhofier as basic of culture; and the pesantren tradition as the mediator of selfsantri and the kyai can be viewed from two aspects; the pesantren tradition The relevance of pesantren tradition and the social change of teacher and students or

Karya Berkah, p. 3.

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reports that A. Wahid Hasyim, when he was still a teenager, and Kyai Ilyas it is mobilized by the kyai's relatives. Related to this, Abu Bakar Aceh the kyai. Practically, the act of forbidding general subjects in pesantren perception and vision. All of these support the mind and perception.28 They are influenced by the kyai's way of thinking, knowledge.29 was trying to omit the belief that forbid studying Latin letters and general grows stronger and stronger. Efforts to general subjects, this rule of law even permeate completely into santri's leader who has absolute power. In some pesantren, the kyai forbids some However, if it is related to authority, the kyai considered himself as a limitation of age, without any absence and level of intellectuality either. Related to the situation of teaching learning process in pesantren, an impression that the situation omit this rule will come true if is democratic without any policy determined by

especially, appears in big pesantren that of education system will take a long time and will not be easy comparing organization structure and managements categorized as 'city pesantren' in Jakarta, has made their institution have As-Syafi'iyah, Attahariyah, and Darun Najah, that all of these pesantren are their institution as a means to develop and improve them. This tendency, to public school.30 Recently, there Karel A. Steenbrink and A. Mukti Ali realize that the recondition is a has formal education. Pesantren tendency in pesantren to make as the common institution.31

pesantren is always available for everyone who wants to devote him/ candidates. It has never been heard that educational institution has never done any strict selection to its student her life in the institution. Since a long time ago until now, this religious As an institution that concerns about middle and low-level society, a pesantren gives any limitation

Zamakhsyari Dhofier (1986), op.cit., p. 50.

²³ Hasbullah (1996), Sejarah Pendidikan Islam di Indonesia, Pertumbuhan dan Perkembangan, Jakarta: Raja Grafindo Persada, p. 138. Lintas Sejarah

²⁴ Sudjoko Prasodjo, dkk. (1974), Profil Pesantren. Jakarta: LP3ES, p. 1.

Jakarta: P3M, p. 5. ²⁵Nurcholish Madjid (1985), "Merumuskan Kembali Tujuan Pendidikan Islam", Dawam Rahardjo, Pergulatan Dunia Pesantren, Membangun dari Bawah.

²⁶ Zamakhsyari Dhofier (1986), op.cit., p. 62-82

Saefuddin Zuhri (1988), Guruku Orang-orang Pesantren. Bandung: PT. Al-

Ma'arif, p. 58.

Mujamil Qomar (2005), op.cit., p. 36-37.
 Abubakar Aceh (1975), Sejarah Hidup KH. A. Wahid Hasyim dan Karangan Tersiar, Jakarta: Panitia Buku Peringatan Alm. KH. A. Wahid Hasyim, p. 86.

³⁰ Mastuhu (1997), "Kyai tanpa Pesantren: Sosial Islam Indonesia", in Jamal D. Rahman et.al (ed.), Wacana Baru Fiqh Sosial Indonesia, p. 262. Tahun KH. Alie Yafie, Bandung: Mizan Bekerjasama dengan Bank Muamalat KH. Ali Yafie Dalam Peta Kekuatan

³¹ Steenbrink, Karel A. (1991), Pesantren Madrasah Sekolah Pendidikan Islam Dalam Kurun Modern, Jakarta: Bulan Bintang, p. 8-9.

to a group of people who have certain background to be accommodated there.

Even, as an institution that concerns of low-level society, there are some *pesantren* that have not charged any tuition fee from their students. The tasks of those students are only learning knowledge and reciting various branches of religious subjects. Meanwhile, the living costs of the students are the responsibility of their caretaker.

There are some strengths of *pesantren*. These strengths are all at once being the characteristics of *pesantren* itself:

- a. Pesantren has moral value of the country or nationalism, patriotism. However, pesantren contribution of this moral value is very little, but it cannot be considered as "nothing". It is perhaps because people in pesantren strongly believe in Li Allah Ta'ala principle (everything is for Allah) and qana'ah (accepting whatever it is). Since in pesantren, there is a belief that if good deeds are exposed too much, they will be considered 'ujub or riya' (arrogant). To conclude, it can be said that there have been social participation in developing pesantren.
- b. In *pesantren* tradition, there is no limitation on students. As the matter of fact, the *kyai* never limit their *santri* in terms of ethnic, race even religion. Here, ethnic pluralism is an evident. The fair treatment in *pesantren* also for those whose background is not the *kyai*'s son; even it is also for students candidates that is wealthy enough. Therefore, social strata are not obstacles in *pesantren*. There is no society level and other differences in *pesantren*; that is why the tuition fee in *pesantren* is achievable.
- people in one madhhab, for example Shafi ite, their opinions might the differences are accepted, there will be pluralism. Although rahmah (the difference among people/leaders is blessing). When The principle believed in facing differences is ikhtilaf al-a'immah will face differences. we learn religious book named Mahalli or Qalbi wa 'Amirah, we Generally, there is figh tradition in pesantren. Nawawi wa al-Rafi i, zudduna al-Nawawi (if there are differences (difference among figh experts) or religious teachers. Thus, when different. Finally, there is a principle named is the result of ijtihad. It is a common phenomenon in pesantren. There ıs. also ikhtilaf As we know that idha ikhtalaf alal-fuqaha'

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- among al-Imam al-Nawawi and al-Imam al-Rafi`i, the acceptable opinion is from al-Nawawi). Therefore, there term *tarjih* becomes popular (elevate someone's opinion than others).
- d. In *pesantren*, there is *tasawwuf* tradition. If we talk about *tasawwuf*, the inclusivity will be mostly seen. Even the religious section will be ignored.
- e. In *pesantren*, there is also accommodation tradition. The tradition is that the alteration should be done very slowly; it is not done in revolutionary way. The principle of *al-muhafazah `ala qadim al-salih wa al-akhdhu bi al-jadid al-aslah* (keeping or maintaining the old notion is good and take the new notion is better) is still strongly believed in *pesantren*.

Although the accommodative attitude is still believed in *pesantren*, it does not mean that there is no limitation. The *kyai* and *santri* also believe in *tawazun*, *tasamuh* and *i`tidal*.³² They will be very pleased on everyone without looking at their race, even religion. However, we should be aware that pluralism is not as a religion or ideology.

Apart from all the above things, *pesantren* is still an institution of learning where students can still study religion and develop their knowledge of another science.³³

PESANTREN AS AN ALTERNATIVE INSTITUTION CLEARNING

The Purpose of Pesantren Education

Pesantren is an Islamic institution of learning, whose education is conducted generally in non-classical way, in which a kyai teaches Islamic science to the students based on Arabic religious books written by Arabic religious teachers in the middle centuries. The students live in a dormitory of the school. A kyai is a religion master, teaching, leading, and owning the school. There is actually no written statement about the purpose of education in pesantren. However, the kyai, at least, prepares students to be ready to apply their knowledge without dreaming to be civil servants.

Qodri Azizi (2003), "Pesantren Terbiasa Plural", Aula, Majalah Nahdlatul Ulama, No. 10 Year XXV October 2003 – Sha`ban – Ramadan 1424, p. 23.

³³ Antweiller, Philip L. (2003), "Terorisme Bukan Isu Agama", Aula, Majalah Nahdlatul Ulama, No. 10 Year XXV October 2003 – Sha`ban – Ramadan 1424, p. 23.

Further, students usually become admirable figures in society.34

According to its founders, *pesantren* is based on two purposes; first, the school is established to respond to social situation and condition of society facing the immorality, through the offered value transformation (*al-amr bi al-ma`ruf and al-nahy`an al-munkar*). It can be called an agent of social changes concerning on liberation works fighting immorality, political intimidation, and poverty. If Indonesia had not been conquered by other countries, *pesantren* would not have been in remote areas as they are now. They would have been located in the cities as the center of municipality or economic, as religion schools in Western countries becoming universities.³⁵ The second purpose is to promote universality of Islam throughout the country with pluralism, under trust dimension, culture, and social condition.

To conclude, *pesantren* is aimed at creating and developing *Muslim* personality, believing in God, well behaved, willing to devote themselves to society, independent, free and tough in personality, spreading Islamic teaching, and loving science for the sake of developing *muhsin* personality.³⁶

(cognitive), and to comprehend religious teaching (affective). If these religious teaching (psychomotor), to strengthen their reand entrepreneur. In Indonesia, many entrepreneurs are Batak people, Bloom theory, Islamic education is supposed to train electronics, and so on. Those skills equipped them for They are in Indonesia because of historical background. 37 According to Minangkabau people, and Chinese non-local inhabitants living in Java. farming, live stock, fishery, carpentry, sewing, knitting, cooperation, are also trained to have practical skills for their future. that students have to study hard for being independent and useful for their future society. These holistic purposes are difficult to does pesantren emphasize ukhrawi matters, but also living matters in order In accordance with the above purposes, it is obligious knowledge being independent vious that not only students to apply The skills include achieve. Students

three aspects are treated equally, students will comprehend, believe, and apply religious teaching.³⁸

The wide Islamic doctrine makes it possible for *pesantren* to spread out as social institutions among *khalaf* (modern) groups because they accept changes due to time. As the result, people's way of thinking is developing and it develops *pesantren* to be a social institution raising human dignity.³⁹ Kuntowijoyo states that "*besides developing education*, *social programs in Islamic boarding include economics, technology, and ecology.*"

pesantren is that they cannot reach education purpose maximally (training pesantren than public schools, because pesantren is in line with the structure education by many choice for many families and the existed pesantren tends to be exclusive. in pesantren education.41 Therefore, pesantren seems traditional and not a due to the excessive emphasis on one science aspect only, disregarding complete facilities (physical, personal, students for being kyais and leaders traditions as national and open education for change. The weakness of of religion followers spreading. Besides, there are religion and leadership other aspects. In other words, there is Nurcholish Madjid, the weakness in vision and purpose of pesantren The strength of pesantren is that it is comprehended as alternative people. It is obvious from the bigger number of of the country), they do not have a curriculum orientation limitation and financial). According

Education and Instruction Systems in Pesantren

Education and instruction patterns in *pesantren* are tightly related to the typology and characteristics of the school. In Indonesia, education and instruction of *pesantren* are traditionally conducted. Traditional system means the opposite of modern one. In traditional system, the instruction starts from simple things, such as *sorogan*, *bandongan*, *wetonan*, and discussion in analyzing religious books, called "*Kitab Kuning*", written by middle century religious teachers.

³⁴ Bahri Ghazali (2002), op.cit., p. 27.

³⁵ Nurcholish Madjid (1997), op.cit., p. 3-4.

³⁶ Mastuhu (1994), Dinamika Sistem Pendidikan Pesantren (Suatu Kajian tentang Undur dan Nilai Sistem Pendidikan Pesantren), Jakarta: INIS, p. 56.

Sudjoko Prasodjo *et al.* (1974), *op.cit.*, p. 5.

³⁸ Ihid

³⁹ Ahmad Tafsir (1994), op.cit., p. 124.

⁴⁰ Bahri Ghazali (2002), op.cit., p. 41.

⁴¹ Kuntowijoyo (1991), op.cit., p. 258.

First, *sorogan*; the instruction is conducted by asking students to recite the religious book in front of their *kyai*. In a big *pesantren*, there are only two or three students recite, usually the relatives of the *kyai* or religious students-to-be. ⁴² In this system, students are to master sciences they are learning before passing the examination, since the instruction is directly observed by the *kyai*. In the next development, this system is rarely applied because it is considered time consuming.

Second, *wetonan*; the instruction is conducted by the *kyai* who recites the religious book in front of students and the students listen to their *kyai*'s recitation. In this system, there is no attendance list. Students may attend or skip the class and there is not any examination.⁴³ The class is usually conducted in groups. The teaching mechanism is as follows: students listen to their *kyai*'s recitation, the *kyai* then explain the content of verses, students are not allowed to raise questions no matter they understand or not. The groups in class are called *halaqah* system.

Third, bandongan; it is correlated to the two systems mentioned above. Students do not need to express whether they understand the material or not. The kyai usually only reads and translates easy vocabularies.⁴⁴

Those three instruction patterns are solely based on the *kyai*, because everything is related to time, place, and material. Besides, curriculum applied and the success of teaching implementation is based on the *kyai*. *Kyai*'s authority is very dominant because he is the leader of the school.

Pesantren does not grow solely based on traditional old system with those three instruction patterns above. There is also innovation in their development. Together with the traditional system applied by salafiyah pesantren, movement of change has marched on the development of the schools. There are three systems applied in pesantren; first, classical system; the classical system is shown by establishing schools teaching kawni sciences (ijtihad) which are different from tawqifi religion (in direct translation, determined teaching form and appearance).⁴⁵

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Second, course system; the system emphasizes on handmade product creating focusing on psychomotor ability, such as: sewing, typing, computer, and printing skills. It aims at forming independent students with supporting skills besides religion sciences got from *sorogan* and *wetonan* instructions. In the future, students are not to rely on their job only, but they have to be able to create jobs for their own.

Third, training system; the system emphasizes on psychomotor ability. It is developing practical skills, such as: technician, gardener, fishery, cooperation management, and integrated independence supporting handicraft trainings. This enables students to be intellectual and potential.

The implementation of unified education system in *pesantren* comprises three components; studying, which is learning general sciences related to religious problems; supervisory, as a spiritual fulfillment; and practice, which is applying knowledge and technology gained in learning process.

Mukti Ali states that the characteristics of *pesantren* are; close relation between students and *kyai*; students' obedience to their *kyai*; economical and simple life; helping each other; an emphasis on discipline; and a good religious life.⁴⁶

since the last two decades there have been many Islamic books discussing necessity to provide general science in rational thinking, since the beginning education system in pesantren and the acculturation modern one.47 improvement of education system, as the and realization of the reformation of next progress becomes more open. This is motivated by the manifestation their curriculum and learned by the santri in a group of study, thus in the Islamic reformation thought written in the characteristic of non formal education with holistic approach. Besides, general science has been introduced as a skill course in the pesantren, as In facing social need and time Indonesian language included in of 20th century, it has been a Islamic education system, pesantren. Therefore, in 1970s changing, and also improving way to bridge the traditional

⁴² Yasmadi (2002), op.cit., p. 78.

⁴³ *Ibid*..

⁴⁴ Zamakhsyari Dhofier (1986), op.cit., p. 30.

⁴⁵ Ibid..

¹⁶ A. Mukti Ali (1980), op.cit., p. 17-18.

⁴⁷ Muhaimin and Abdul Mujib (1993), Pemikiran Pendidikan Islam, Kajian Filosofis dan Kerangka Dasar Operasionalnya, Bandung: Tri Genda Karya, p. 305.

The reality shows that some *pesantrens* innovate themselves to follow the stream of education development, the demanding era, that gives result to the shifting elements followed by the changing value. The education is said to give benefits when it is aimed to improve the *santri's* knowledge and it should be included with three phases. First, the *santri* should be educated about global principal problem. Second, they should be taught about the details of the problem and its differences. Third, they

The Principles of Education System in Pesantren and its Elements

should be explained about the things that have been covered. 48

In accordance with the education objective and holistic approach in *pesantren* and its comprehensive function as an education institution, hence the principles of education system in *pesantren* are theosentris, willingly to serve, wise, modest, collective, guided freedom, independent, the place for seeking knowledge and serving, apply religious teaching, without certificate, and in *kyai*'s blessing.

The elements of a *pesantren* are: *Pondok* is the first element of this educational institution. In *pondok*, *santri*, *ustadh* (teacher) and *kyai* interact continually, in the term of knowledge because the education system in *pesantren* is holistic, thus the education in *pesantren* is the activity of teaching and learning integrated totally with daily life activity. In a bigger Islamic boarding house, there are hundreds or thousands of *santri* study in this institution; therefore, there are many buildings and larger society, as if it is a village. Most of the *santri* stay in *pesantren* for a whole day and leave it only for a certain need such as, going shopping, working for rich people, and the like.⁴⁹

Masjid (mosque); this is an urgent element in the educational process. The inheritance of Islamic civilization and the asset of national education development in Indonesia is Islamic education. As the inheritance, it is the mandate of history and should be maintained and developed by Muslims for years. As the asset, it should open opportunity for Indonesian to manage appropriate with national education system. 50

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Since the time of the Prophet Muhammad s.a.w., *masjid* has become the center of activity and information of many *Muslims* 'problems. It is a place for discussion, hearing and judging people's problems, a place for extending religious explanation and other information, a place for developing knowledge, especially religion. The religious teacher teaches in mosque, but *majelis khalifah* move to mosque or other places.⁵¹

Mosque is a place to educate children, read and analyze the Holy Qur'an from a group of religious teacher (*halaqah*), a place to discuss and *munazarah* (sharing idea) in various knowledge. It is also completed with a library which collects books in various fields of study.⁵² All *Muslims* around the world use mosque as a place for meeting, education center, administration and cultural activity.⁵³

element of a pesantren, because identity as an Islamic educational institution will be unclear and then it recitation of traditional religious books the Islamic thought, and then it is used as a reference for ijtihad in solving strengthening Islamic comprehension as well as to compare the developed will be disappeared.54 The teaching of classic religious books is aimed at problems in society. The same thing explained by Karl Steenbrink that in the most important part.55 study Arabic then learn the content of the Recitation of classical religious without this books. religious books which become santri should spend the time to element the This is also important pesantren

Santri, this element is the object of the educational application in pesantren. Santri is the students who learn Islamic knowledge from a kyai. This element is very important because without santri, the kyai will be like a king without people. Santri is the human source that supports the existence of pesantren, but also holds up the influence of kyai in society. Without santri there will be no educational process in pesantren, and without them this school will not be existed. There are two kinds of santri

Jundi, Anwar (1985), Pancaran Pemikiran Islam, Bandung: Pustaka, p. 124-125.

⁴⁹ Steenbrink, Karel A. (1986), *Pesantren Madrasah Sekolah*, Jakarta: LP3ES, p. 16.

⁵⁰ Husni Rahmi (2001), *Arah Baru Pendidikan Islam di Indonesia*, Jakarta: Logos, 266

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⁵¹ Mahmud Yunus (1988), Sejarah Pendidikan Islam, Jakarta: Bumi Aksara, p. 75.

⁵² Zuhairini (1988), Sejarah Pendidikan Islam, Jakarta: Bumi Aksara, p. 60.

⁵³ Encyclopedia of Islam (1994), Leiden: Brill, p. 87.

⁵⁴ Zamakhsyari Dhofier (1986), op.cit., p. 171.

⁵⁵ Steenbrink, Karl A. (1986), op.cit., p. 171.

⁵⁶ Endang Turmudi (2004), op.cit., p. 35.

in pesantren; first, santri who stay in this boarding school because their

has been marginalized. pesantren is being considered, especially in the educational process which (Javanese). Along with the development of time the exschool. Every day they commute from their house to pesantren or nglaju who do not stay in pesantren for their house is not far from this boarding themselves and the relationship with other famous pesantren. (3) they want to focus want to learn more about the Islamic religious books from a kyai, (2) they want to experience the pesantren life in the field of education, organization, hometown is far from pesantren, they have many reasons to stay: (1) they in their study and no family interference. 57 Second, santri xistence of santri in

to honor their teachers to get blessed knowledge. ustadh improvise the knowledge is not good. 59 Besides, the relationship of authority in determining the vision and mission of the education. This kyai, ustadh and their santri tend to one direction, in which the santri have becomes the weakness of pesantren, that people consider the way kyai and power and authority. In education, the kyai and his staffs (ustadh) have influence than the one who does not. 58 Kyai is also the absolute source of pesantren, but it is understandable that a kyai who has pesantren has greater is an important place for the kyai to run his authority. Not all kyai have santri because the kyai is the one who builds pesantren, and pesantren Kyai and the staffs; these elements are of the same importance

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The Concept of Kitab Kuning

santri, mosque, and pondok.60 This can be proved that Kitab Kuning is life. It is the standard of knowledge as well as faithfulness.61 dominant in pesantren, it is not only the source of knowledge but also of and considered to be one element which builds the pesantren, besides kyai, Kitab Kuning and pesantren cannot be separated. Just like a coin, each side The existence of Kitab Kuning in pesantren is very important

becomes the tradition in "cultural santri" in Indonesian society. As the tradition, Kitab Kuning lives in people's history. The bound of pesantren and Kitab Kuning is very tight that teaching of Kitab Kuning is irreplaceable although there are many critics from inside and outside pesantren. Considering the fact, it is understandable that Kitab Kuning it becomes a strict tradition.

dictionary and encyclopedia, but the observer is the religious books that studies used classical Islamic writing other culture. 63 term of Kitab Kuning was not known when pesantren was still closed from is the absolute element in teaching and learning process in pesantren. The life which is said to be traditional. According to Ali Yafie, Kitab Kuning becomes popular along with the growth of people's interest to pesantren In a terminology, the meaning of Kitab Kuning has not put in the method. 62 The name of Kitab Kuning general meaning for the pesantren discussed the aspects of Islamic

printed on cheap papers and the color is yellow.64 Therefore it is called called Kutub al-Qadimah (classical religious book) one set with Kutub al-The alphabets are without phonetic Kitab Kuning, and because it does not have phonetic sign it is called Kitab Gundul (Bald Religious Book). In the Middle East, this religious book is Asriyah (modern religious book).65 In fact, the religious books used in pesantren are written in Arabic. sign (harakat, shakl). It is usually

it is not bound. In every four pages, it contains four writings, and the paper. This is easier for the santri to learn, because they can take only the writings are folded into one. All folded papers are covered in free lace paper that they want. From the content, Kitab Kuning contains Islamic studies, such as, figh, tasawwuf, hadith, tawhid and tarikh. Besides, there balaghah, 'arudh and mantiq. other supporting knowledge, especially about language, nahw, saraf, In the shape, usually Kitab Kuning is smaller than letter size and

Zamakhsyari Dhofier (1986), op.cit., p. 52.

Endang Turmudi (2004), op.cit., p. 29.

Nurcholish Madjid (1974), op.cit., p. 3-4

Zamakhsyari Dhofier (1986), op.cit., p. 44.

⁶¹ Nasuha Chozin (1985), Epistemologi Kitab Kuning Dalam Pesantren, Jakarta:

Ibid., p. 22.

Asuransi Hingga Ukhwah, Bandung: Mizan, p. 51. Ali Yafie (1994), Menggagas Fiqh Sosial: Dari Segi Lingkungan Hidup,

⁶⁴ Nasuha Chozin (1985), op.cit., p. 142

⁶⁵ Ali Yafie (1994), op.cit., p. 52.

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The standard religious books among Ahl al-Sunnah wa al-Jama'ah is called *Kutub al-Mu'tabarah*. According to Zamakhsyari Dhofier, *Kitab Kuning* used in *pesantren* is divided into (1) *nahw* and saraf, (2) *fiqh*, (3) *usul al-fiqh*, (4) *hadith*, (5) *tafsir*, (6) *tawhid*, (7) *tasawwuf* and ethics, (8) other branches like *tarikh*, and *balaghah*. 66

From the age, usually the age of *Kitab Kuning* is about a hundred year; even some of them have been attained the age of thousand years. Yet, it does not mean that *Kitab Kuning* does not regenerate, as said by Ali Yafie that until 1994 there were many religious teacher composed religious book resembling *Kitab Kuning*.⁶⁷

From the writing method, especially about the scope of discussion, *Kitab Kuning* can be divided into three kinds:

- 1. Matan; it is a brief composition containing the principle and main problems of a certain fan (knowledge of study). To keep the brevity, matan does not contain of al-Qur'an or the prophet reference or arguments about the questions inside. Most of matan are written in the form of prose, such as al-Tanbiyah, al-Taqrib, al-Minhaj, al-Jurumiyah, etc.⁶⁸
- terms in *matan* are explained using their synonyms or their definitions. Statements in *matan* are added with supporting verses or arguments, comments, critics or corrections. Implicit meanings are expressed more explicitly in terms of their explanations and consequences, extensions, exceptions and limitations. Similar to *sharah*, *hashiyah* also give comments in form of support, critics or correction over the existing statements. For example, *Sharah al-Mahalli* over *al-Minhaj*, *Sharah Ibn `Aqil over Alfiyah*, *Sharah al-Hudhudi* over *Umm al-Barahin*, etc. In *Shari`ah*, explanation is given in *matan*'s editorial and is published completely and generally. The explanation is given in line with the *matan* that forms both *matan* and *sharah* as an integrated book.
- 3. Hashiyah is an additional explanation given over sharah and matan with wider and deeper range of information. Hashiyah usually

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contains comparison between the explanantion of books being hashiyah-ed and the explanation of other relevant books. Similar to sharah, hashiyah also gives comments in form of support, critics or correction over the existing statements. Hashiyah does not include sharah's complete editorial as it only includes certain important explanations. Sharah or matan's sentences, which will be discussed, are quoted and placed between brackets, preceded by a word qawluh. For example, Hashiyah al-Qalyubi over Sharah al-Mahalli, Hashiyah al-Khudari over Sharah Ibn 'Aqil, Hashiyah al-Sarqawi over Sharah al-Hudhudi, etc.

From the surface's point of view, *Kitab Kuning* follows particular patterns, i.e. several books - *matan*, *sharah* and *hashiyah* - are combined in a book. *Matan*, having been combined with its *sharah*, is put in the edge part of each page, while the *hashiyah*, having longer explanation than the combination of *matan* and *sharah*, is put in the middle part. In some cases, *sharah* and *matan* as the main books are put between two *hashiyahs*, for example, *Hashiyah Ibn `Arafah* and *Hashiyah Abu al-Sha`adat* over *al-Tahzib*, *Sharah Ubayd Allah al-Khabisi* over *al-Tahzib* written by Taftazani. Between each text, there is a dividing line serving as limit.

Generally, books read as *daras* books serve as *matan* for beginners, and the combination of *sharah* and *matan* is for the higher level *santris*. While *hashiyah*, instead of being used completely as instruction materials, usually is used as additional reference for those who want to learn deeper or as an additional explanation of materials discussed in *matan* and *sharah*.

The Significance of Kitab Kuning in Pesantren

Generally, from the point of view of modern and common life, *pesantren* is viewed as a subculture in developing a unique life patterns. ⁶⁹ Beside the leadership of the *kyai*, *Kitab Kuning* is one of the important factors characterizing the subculture, which functions as reference of universal values in *pesantren's* neighbourhood.

So far, there has not been any holistic philosophical responsibility for the use of *Kitab Kuning* as their reference of universal values. It has

⁶⁶ Zamakhsyari Dhofier (1986), op.cit., p. 50.

⁶⁷ Ali Yafie (1994), op.cit., p. 51-53.

⁶⁸Bruinessen, Martin van (1995), Kitab Kuning, Pesantren dan Tarekat: Tradisitradisi Islam di Indonesia, Bandung: Mizan, p. 141.

⁶⁹ Zamakhsyari Dhofier (1986), op.cit., p. 44-55.

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just been a while that the explanation from *pesantren* aroused; for instance, the explanation given by Abdurrahman Wahid, Ali Yafie, Masdar F Mas'udi, Sahal Mahfudz, Tholhah Hasan, Chozin Chumeidi and Malik Madany. Unfortunately, their explanations contain critics and evaluation, that they serve more as a representative of modern *pesantren*. Here, a more serious review needs to be conducted to comprehend the paradigm of what is behind the conservation and instruction of permanent *Kitab Kuning*. The reason to choose *Kitab Kuning* may be formulated in consideration of the Islamic intellectual tradition development in Indonesia.

In addition, Mas'udi tries to analyze this issue from a more internal point of view of *pesantren* life related to the view of *pesantren* people about knowledge. For them, knowledge is derived only by transformation and inheritance, and it cannot be created. In a *Kitab Kuning* used a the *santris*' reference, *Ta'lim al-Muta'alim Tariq al-Ta'allum*, it is said that knowledge is something that you get from what *rijals* (teachers/ *kyais*) say because they have memorized the best parts of what they listen well and they have delivered the best parts of what they have memorized.⁷¹

always a stereotype or the repetition of religious teacher's words. In this un-dynamic view of knowledge, the instruction conducted in pesantren is of their understanding on al-Hadith: al-'Ulama' Warathat al-Anbiya' knowledge. Thus, pesantren people see knowledge as something sacred which resemble the process of revelation. Pesantren people call it ladunni process of direct relationship between 'human' and 'The Knowledgeable" that is far from speculation and deception. This view may way that they acknowledge is less rational and is more s occur. First, homogeneity (similarity) is one of the distinct characteristics. case, there are always two related and expected consequences that will (Religious scholar is the heir of the Prophets). Due to such rigorous and Although difference does exist, it is only in the use of expression (or the In pesantren, they knowledge Second, Kitab Kuning as the (previous) religious scholars' other indeed acknowledge than through transmission. different method of occur as a result uperficial in the However, the

products that can give direct information about the revelation's wordings functions as the center, while the *kyais* who explain the book serve as the subordinate, or even just as a tool (who does not have the right to evaluate

Some of the above reasons are enough to clarify why *Kitab Kuning* is so important in *pesantren*. However, for some *pesantren* people, those reasons seem less idealistic. Those reasons make the value of *Kitab Kuning* in the *pesantren* development context seem static. In fact, can factor for Indonesian? In respond to this issue, Ali Yafie says that *Kitab Kuning*'s role as one of the essential elements of *pesantren* instruction is very important for the process of intellectual and morality righteousness formation (similarity quality) on the *santris*' personality.⁷³

development of Kitab Kuning in pesantren. In his opinion, Kitab Kuning is one important factor in the formation of knowledge tradition that has the including the cultural knowledge (humanistic). In a more complex sense, characteristic of figh-sufistic under the support of instrumental knowledge al-`Abidin and Irshad al-`Ibad are the examples of intellectual achievement and Manahij al-Imdad which, respectively, are the comments for Minhaj what was achieved by Kyai Ihsan Jampes through his work Siraj al-Talibin religion completely.74 The problem is, pesantren should be able to create be able not only to apply tasawwuf completely, which count on Kitab Kuning. Manahij al-Imdad is once again proven to new innovations in transforming Kitab intellectual tendency. In several articles, Abdurrahman Kuning in line with the modern Wahid writes about the dynamic but also to understand

From the above explanation, some views about the significance of *Kitab Kuning* in *pesantren* can be clearly seen. The power of *Kitab Kuning* among the *pesantren* people is one reference which content is unquestionable. Written in classical time, the use of *Kitab Kuning* from time to time has proven that it bears the undeniable truth for a long

⁷⁰ Ali Yafie (1989), "Kitab Kuning: Produk Peradaban Islam", in *Pesantren*, 1989, p. 2-11.

Masdar F. Mas'udi (1988), "Pandangan Hidup 'Ulama Indonesia dalam Literatur Kitab Kuning", article presented in the Seminar Nasional Tentang Pandangan Dan Sikap Hidup Ulama Indonesia. Jakarta: LIPI, p. 1-3.

 $^{^{72}}$ Ibid

⁷³ Ali Yafie (1989), op.cit., p. 3.

Marzuki Wahid (1988), "Principle of Pesantren Education", in Oepen, Manfred and Karcher, Wolfgang (eds.), The Impact of Pesantren in Education and Community Development in Indonesia, Jakarta: P3M, p. 411.

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serious development of Islamic studies will not stop in Indonesia. become the main characteristic because by mastery the Kitab Kuning only, the length of Islamic civilization history. In making a permanent pesantren Hadith. Kitab Kuning reflects growing and bearing religious idea along nor historical explanation related to Islamic studies, al-Qur'an and alto facilitate deep understanding process in order to formulate a fresh but emerging fact in the last three decades is that Kitab Kuning for pesantren formulate the law enforcement of Holy Qur'an and al-Hadith. Second, an have been prepared by mujtahids who has fulfilled all the requirements to is the ready explanation and the manifestation of both appreciated carelessly, and the safest way to understand both sources, as learning through $Kitab\ Kuning$. This is because the content of $Kitab\ Kuning$ of Allah gives impression as though both sources cannot be treated and into practice. The belief upon al-Qur'an and al-Hadith as the revelation of the existence of both sources and even they put both source's teaching on al-Qur'an and al-Hadith, which makes it as a referen teaching method of its content) is formulated by religious scholars based history time. Kitab Kuning (believed as the theory provider and with such an Islamic center, keeping and even enrichment of Kitab Kuning must as to prevent a self-misunderstanding and self-incorrectness, is by sources, which ce with support

Kitab Kuning Ontology

In fact, many *Kitab Kuning* have been taught in *pesantren*; however, in general, the contents of *Kitab Kuning* which are circulated in *pesantren* are dominated by *fiqh* (Islamic law). It does not mean that the tradition of science growing in *pesantren* limited to this discipline only. From around 900 *Kitab Kuning* circulating in the area of *pesantren*, it is only around 20 % constituting *fiqh*. The rest, concerning other disciplines, such as; 17 % of *Aqidah* (*Usul al-Din*), 12 % of Arabic (*Nahw, Saraf, Balaghah*), 8 % of *Hadith*, 7 % of *Tasawwuf*, 6 % of morals, prayer guidance, passage of al-Qur'an, 5 % of *Mujabarat* and 6 % praises masterpiece of matters pertaining to prophet (*qisas al-anbiya'*, *mawlid, manaqib*). 75

To conclude, there are only two growing main disciplines, fight and tasawwuf, added by Arabic discipline. Upon looking at an intellectual tradition developing in pesantren, teaching of figh is rather important or

the most important in every Islamic educational institution. Eventhough at the beginning, even at the late of 17th century Islam in Indonesia is more coloured by *tasawwuf* teaching. This, of course relates to the role of an adventurer mystical in the spreading of Islam.⁷⁶

In its development, pesantren adds usul al-figh discipline. This is an important part to strengthen study of figh itself. At this phase, an understanding of the dynamic understanding of figh in pesantren starts to be replaced by the Kitab Kuning of usul al-figh. The tradition of pesantren science is complemented with epistemology, manhaj, Islamic law enabling Muslim students to harmonize Islamic law in accordance with the public development. However, it needs to be noted that in harmonization, it does not constitute ijtihad yet, regarding that in practice it only takes benefit from discretion of alternative (qawl) which is provided by a number of Kitab Kuning.

One of the characteristics of *Kitab Kuning* mostly presents different perspectives about certain problems in the scope of four *fiqh* streams. In this perspective the tradition of *pesantren* has flexibility as shown by their attitudes so far. Using their knowledge on *usul al-fiqh*, deciding a choice among many options for *pesantren* dwellers is usually done more freely, with mature considerations; especially when it deals with various assignments and social life.

CHALLENGES AND BARRIERS IN EDUCATION OF FUTURE PESANTREN

Society has expected a high quality *pesantren* which is able to meet their challenges and expectations. It is expected to be capable of giving something that reflects consumers' need. However, it cannot be brought to reality easily because improving its quality is more to a long process than just a sudden change. As one of educational alternatives, *pesantren* is facing bigger, more complex and tighter challenges every day due to the rise of development's need as well as science and technology. This challenge brings about friction's value in terms of both learning source and educational operation. In addition, *pesantren* itself has some weaknesses. For that reason, by minimizing those weaknesses makes it

⁵ Bruinessen, Martin van (1995), *op.cit.*, p. 228-229.

⁷⁶ Azyumardi Azra (1989), *Islam di Asia Tenggara, Pengantar Pemikiran,* Jakarta: Yayasan Obor Indonesia, p. 15.

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easier to optimize its role in society. The weaknesses are: i) Management of operation. The operation of *pesantren* should represent applicative and flexible management; ii) Cadre formation on *Pesantren*'s staff; iii) Weak democracy and disciplinary. It deals with its independent status a lot; iv) *Pesantren*'s cleanliness. There are some others weaknesses; i) Society see a *pesantren* as a secondary level class and it only discusses religion; ii) It shorts of experts, especially those on social science; iii) The lack of good facilities, especially dormitory and study rooms; iv) Fatalistic attitude dominates its dwellers; v) Some dwellers are introvert (exclusive). The lack of good dominates its dwellers; v) Some dwellers are introvert (exclusive).

Islamic institutions make their commitments clearer as the effort of making them qualified to be labeled Islamic. Socially, *pesantren* has been playing an important role in the Islamic spreading in Indonesia. It becomes a formal media of socialization where norms and values of Islam are transmitted and planted in the teaching and learning process. It also plays a role on the development of Islamic rules and orthodox maintenance. Pesantren is merely an example of bachelor's tradition and Islamic traditional thoughts in Indonesia now. However, it is the one who keeps the oldest bachelorism ever in Indonesia and in other Malay areas.

The development of *pesantren* includes the development of Islamic science whose credibility is equal to those in Western countries; though it does not mean that science of religion, social, humanity exacts and others can be neglected. Its educational taxonomy should be immediately formed with a hard effort and strict commitments; or else, it will be unable to stand on its own feet in society for its education is usually related to job vacancy. This can also results in freeing *pesantren* education from consumer's hegemony, especially in economic perspective.

Gradually, pesantren comes into industrial and modern society who thinks rationally, dynamically, competitively and intellectually reliable. They are required to express themselves by producing writing

works, and it can be passed down to the next generations after a long period of time. Unfortunately, the number of authors and mainly writers is not proportional. There are lots of them, but the professional ones are few. Hence, *pesantren* has to produce a new formation which is in line with the development's need and sci-tech improvement as long as it does not contradict the faith and devotion to Allah S.W.T. The students should not merely 'memorize', but 'think'.

urban. Those indicators are: first, the students are not merely learning to be accept, deliver and keep the knowledge he/she has.80 The latter has been Thinker's movements are more to digging, inventing and developing profile in many ways. A thinker has a habit to observe, criticize, protest, diplomas and assignments for certain expertise as to direct them mastering education. Internet might be needed as one of learning source alternatives a kyai, further, they are taught to improve themselves using new learning give alternatives, find alternatives, find certain job. In this modern era, barakah never be perfectly done. Thirdly, those changes make the students need level otherwise, the forming of insan kamil who is devoted and smart will the teaching on classic religious books. Both should be put on the same College (it turns out that these kinds of must hold a formal education, like Islamic School, Public School, things require a hard effort and restless have the same right, democratic, equal and non-discriminative. All those as a new paradigm in national education.81 Hence, educational apparatus institution. The term 'private' has been deleted from SISDIKNAS Law, our daily lives. Secondly, pesantren is as informal and private educational as long as it is not out of our `aqidah, shari`ah, value, moral, religion in sources due to the rapid development in the system of communication and indicators as to make pesantren play important role in society, rural and major in pesantrens. Therefore, there should be some changes on certain something. On the contrary, a person who simply memorize has a habit to knowledge mastery, even though the label intended to make the students considered They have been the root of Javanese; however, it causes an over attitude A 'think' profile is different and even in the opposite of 'memorize' school has been realized). It is strive. In order that, pesantren solutions and change strategy. and karamah are not enough. Islamic has to be there, that is: equally in society in terms of

Departemen Agama RI. (2003), Pondok Pesantren dan Madrasah Diniyah Petumbugan dan Perkembangannya, Jakarta: Direktorat Jenderal Kelembagaan Agama Islam, 2003), p. 18.

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[°] Ibid., p. 27.

⁸¹ Endang Turmudi (2004), op.cit., p. 108.

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which is actually not allowed in Islamic perspective.82

CONCLUSION

to develop atmosphere, for instance: Social Department, Cooperation Department, Manpower Department, etc. It is intended that they can help pesantren are considered capable of giving contribution and create transforming with the development outside; it can work together with institutions which District Government, Society Association, is no clear educational concept. In this case, pesantren is educational management looks undeveloped, not well-organized, and there educational methodology and educational curriculum. system of education in pesantren, they are: the educational management, There are some aspects suggested as a relevant reconstruction in the its human resource as to face more complex contemporary Women Association and able to anticipate So far, the

Educational Methodology; in the teaching and learning process, there are some aspects in *pesantren* that apply traditional orientation⁸³ which emphasize on main handouts; subsequently, it is narrowed down into *fiqh*. This model is quite dominant compared to overview of *usul fiqh*, logic (*mantiq*), *tafsir*; *hadith*, philosophy or *muqaranah al-madhahib*. The solution is to change the induction system into deduction system, i.e developing overview assisting the understanding of basic knowledge and later on, it is implemented in particular overview and developed in process of logic, thinking, creativity and dynamic in understanding Islam more contextually than just doctrinally.

Educational Curriculum; Nurcholish Madjid thinks that in terms of curriculum, *pesantren* develops more on religion, even the subjects are delivered in Arabic. The subjects are: *fiqh* (mainly), 'aqa'id, nahw, saraf (is important as well), etc. Meanwhile, *tasawwuf* and religiosity which should be put first tend to be neglected.⁸⁴ Most teachings in *pesantren* refer to *madhhab* al-Shafi'i and less accommodates other *madhhab*. There is little concern with rational aspect in making conclusion in law (*istinbat*) and formal legality from the source. They are less implemented. *Pesantren*

should implement more on cross *madhhab* (*muqaranah al-madhahib*). It should also re-evaluate and reconstruct *Kitab Kuning*. Less exposure to social knowledge is one of the weaknesses a *pesantren* has. This makes students' capability limited and less considered in society.⁸⁵

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However, it will not be realized if the school does not have the spirit of development and if it keeps the assumptions that *pesantren* is just an alternative, eliminated, isolated, exclusive and conservative institution. *Pesantren* should be a compatible educational institution and as the producer of religion teachers who are intellectual and strengthen basic education in accordance with world change and is able to adapt itself with a global reason. It is the time for *Pesantren* to adopt new aspects (*khalifyah*) while still keeping its authentic value (*salafiyah*). It is clear that later, there is a convergent process between public education paradigms and traditional system, the original *Pesantren* paradigm.

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