

## ABSTRACT

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Betawi community is the community that has cultural pattern and tune that include all life sectors. One of them is the ceremony or marriage procedure. In the betawi community, the marriage ceremony occupies the most sacred position in series life process that become the philosophy of the Betawi community, Betawi community has unique tradition such as *Malem Negor*. The *Malem Negor* tradition is conducted after marriage reception, where the bridegroom stay overnight at the bride house. Although essentially the marriage has been legal, they are prohibited to communicate and do sexual intercourse.

The research aims at knowing the procession of *Malem Negor*, and understand meaning of *Malem Negor* tradition and understand the relevance of *Malem Negor* tradition to the Islamic marriage. The research used qualitative approach. While the collected data in the form of primary and secondary data are collected by interview and documentation, then the data were edited and were arranged well then were analyzed.

From the research it was obtained three conclusion. First, *Malem Negor*, process is done to maintain the self esteem and holiness of the bride. To end the tradition process, the bridegroom should able to conquer the bride heart by seducing or giving *Uang Tigor*. Second, the *Malem Negor* tradition has good meaning for the bride and bridegroom, the tradition give direction to the husband and wife to keep the marriage sacred values, with true steps, either physical and spiritual preparation, that all things need process and steps that should be done by husband and wife. Third, *Malem Negor* is divided into two era. First, about 1930s the tradition considered still against the Islamic law because oppose with the marriage goals and the Islamic faith. While *Malem Negor* that is occurred today is not against with the Islamic law principle, the tradition become good because do not damage the goals of marriage and give meaning to keep the cultural values, then the tradition can be categorized as *urf* and contain goodness.