ABSTRACT


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Being a parent is one of the many tasks humans as social beings. "Wholeness" parents (father-mother) in a family is vital in helping the child to have self-confidence and develop themselves. However, there is also a family that feels less than complete, ie that only a family headed by a woman (mother) only. This could happen due to many things, among others, due to divorce, widowed by her husband or for being his own choice. This phenomenon is often also referred to as a single parent. Certainly not easy being a single parent (single parent), because he must act as father and mother to his children. This certainly would be a terrible burden for a woman, especially in terms of the psychological. Therefore, researchers interested in conducting research with his thesis entitled PSYCHOLOGICAL EXPENSES AS HEAD WOMEN'S SINGLE PARENT FAMILIES (Family Case Studies Prajekan Kidul Kec Village. Prajekan Kab. Bondowoso).

This research is a type of qualitative research using a sociological approach that focuses on the study of the psychological burden as a single parent female headed households. To assist in the preparation of this thesis, the data retrieved through the sampling method, with data collecting technique is observation, interview and documentation were then analyzed using qualitative descriptive analysis method.

The results showed that the psychological burden as a single parent female household heads are very heavy. There are two typologies of female single parent. First, the psychological conditions tend to be unstable and the latter tend to be stable. Efforts are made female single parent in overcoming the psychological burden, among others, always think positively with its position as a single parent and is confident will be a good head of family with the support of family nearby.