

## ABSTRACT

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A custom is a local tradition which regulates the society interaction. Tradition means everything like customs, habits, teachings and many others that passed down from the ancestors. The existence of *Buju' Temunih* in Batuan Village, Batuan Sub-District, Sumenep Regency, is believed to be *wasilah* or intermediaries which can grant the people's wish in terms of offspring and family welfare, especially for couples who have not been blessed with offspring. In addition, *Buju 'Temunih* tradition still requires to put *Temunih* or the placenta. This tradition is a phenomenon that academically is interesting to be discussed in a writing. From Islam point of view, this tradition is also important to be studied in-depth, especially for the major of Islamic Law.

This study aims to reveal the tradition of *Buju' Temunih* in order to establish harmonious family and explain the relevance of a positive concept of *Buju' Temunih* tradition to the harmonious family establishment.

This study uses a qualitative descriptive approach. The data are collected in the form of primary and secondary data. It is done by using interviews and documentation techniques. Then, those data are edited, checked and carefully compiled and arranged. The next step, the data is analyzed descriptively.

This study has two conclusions. First, some of Batuan people consider the *Buju' Temunih* tradition as a belief inherited from their ancestors. If it is violated, they will not commit a sin for believing to the impacts of that violation is not justified by religion. On the other hand, this tradition should be maintained because it is a form of ancestors' awareness in establishing a harmonious life within the family. Second, related to the establishment of harmonious family in Batuan people, the existence of the myth/tradition maintained by the people is not always negative, as seen in the existence of the *Buju' Temunih* tradition. People who come to *Buju 'temunih* are not only couples who have not been given offspring but also people who expect harmony in their families.