

ABSTRACT

This research is based on the election of the Tasikmalaya district in the highest election vulnerability index regarding the campaign sub- dimension with a score of 77.08 where money politics is included from the observations that the researchers saw and observed. NU, which is the largest Islamic organization in Indonesia, represents 75% of the total Muslim population

in Indonesia. As an Islamic association that has a political role, NU also carries out a political function. In Indonesia. The path taken by NU to carry out its role is a brief elaboration of NU's political views above. Tasikmalaya District is no exception, one of the districts that has become the NU mass base in West Java. NU's religious and cultural traditions are very strong in Tasikmalaya Regency, where the majority of the population is Muslim. For example, the routine activities of Maulid Nabi Muhammad SAW in sub-districts and villages in Tasikmalaya Regency, reciting barzanji at important community moments, congregational remembrance at mosques, national Halaqoh and many other traditions, all of which are part of NU's religious culture.

The method chosen in this study is a qualitative-descriptive method with a literature study approach. The technique of determining informants was carried out by purposive sampling and data collection was carried out by interviews and documentation. The data analysis technique used is Miles and Hubberman with the validity of the selected data, namely triangulation of sources using literature studies, interviews, and documentation to obtain data and then use it.

The results of the study contain the participation of Nu in Tasikmalaya Regency in the effort to develop national politics in Tasikmalaya Regency. In the effort to develop national politics, PCNU Tasikmalaya tries to provide an understanding to the public about the importance of elections and the importance of participation in elections for the future of the nation which is implemented from programs conducted by NU related to national political education.

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