

## **ABSTRACT**

*Pondok Pesantren is an Islamic educational institution that has traditionally grown and developed in the midst of society. The highest legality of pesantren is the kyai with power derived from social status and community recognition. Kyai as a leader certainly has charisma for his followers. Charisma is a certain attraction that a person has, and is trusted by his followers and is subject to someone who is charismatic. From the charisma possessed by the kyai, it gives birth to a pattern of obedience (tunut) or the obedience of the santri towards the kyai. In particular, the charismatic leader of the kyai at the Miftahul Yaqinil Huda Islamic Boarding School has the function of conveying, preaching Islamic teachings to students and it is undeniable that they also influence politics. This is the reason for researchers to examine tunut as a manifestation of the charisma of the kyai at the Miftahul Yaqinil Huda Islamic Boarding School, Tasikmalaya City.*

*The research method used in this study is a qualitative descriptive research method with a case study approach. As for data collection techniques in this study by conducting in-depth interviews, observation and documentation. The sampling technique was carried out by purposive sampling and snowball sampling. Data validity uses source triangulation and analysis used is data collection, data reduction, data presentation, and drawing conclusions or verification.*

*The results of this study indicate that the charisma of KH. Moch Taufiq MA has influenced the social and political life of the students. In social influence, the charisma of the kyai gives birth to obedience or tunut. From this, it makes the kyai easily implement a policy or decision to the santri. The submission of this santri is not merely obedience between students and their teacher, but the santri picks up a blessing that they believe in. Because KH. Moch Taufiq MA is a very special person and has the ability to understand Islam. Tunut is also supported by the idea that is inherent in the life of Islamic boarding schools, namely the understanding that if a student disobeys his teacher, he will receive the consequences (woe). With this idea, it makes the kyai's power last. Charisma KH. Moch Taufiq MA also exerts influence on politics, namely on political choices. However, KH. Moch Taufiq MA invited his students to support and vote when Huda's family nominated, one of which was when Uu Ruzhanul Ulum nominated as Regent. This happened out of gratitude, and of course the victory obtained became a good image on behalf of the proud Huda family. Then if there is no Huda family to nominate, KH. Moch Taufiq MA returned and freed political choices to his students.*

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