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THE ROLE OF PANCASILA IN BUILDING NATIONAL UNITY AND UNITY

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Abstract

Indonesia as a multicultural country has a diversity of cultures, ethnicities, religions, customs, traditions, and languages, which require a comprehensive approach to maintain national unity. Pancasila, as the foundation of life and state ideology, has an important role in uniting the nation through the practice of the values contained therein. The values in Pancasila provide a basis for respecting differences, strengthening human rights, and building a spirit of nationalism. Since the struggle for independence, awareness of the importance of unity has been a major factor in achieving the goals of independence. Unity is the main principle for maintaining political and social stability, strengthening national resilience, and encouraging equitable development in various regions of Indonesia. In addition, national unity also helps in facing global challenges, strengthening national identity, improving the quality of life of the community, and strengthening social cohesion and pride in the Indonesian nation. However, major challenges arise, especially among the younger generation who are starting to make Pancasila only a memorization without implementation. Another challenge is the influence of globalization which tends to obscure national values. Pancasila as the foundation of the state must continue to be implemented in everyday life so that its values can remain relevant and useful in building a more prosperous, just, and prosperous nation. Through efforts to strengthen education and socialize the values of Pancasila to the younger generation, it is hoped that the Indonesian nation will be able to maintain unity and integrity for the sustainability of the Unitary State of the Republic of Indonesia (NKRI) which is harmonious and sovereign. The purpose of this journal is to describe the role of Pancasila in building the unity and integrity of the Indonesian nation. And the method used is literature review.

Keywords : Pancasila, Multicultural, National

Introduction

Indonesia is a country full of cultural, ethnic, religious, customary, traditional, and linguistic diversity. This is in accordance with the statement that Indonesia has a society with such a complex level of diversity that it can be called a multicultural society (Zainab & Dewi, 2021). Meanwhile, Pancasila is the foundation or guideline for the life of the Indonesian nation which contains nationalistic values and must indeed be instilled in the next generation of the nation. Pancasila as a guideline for the state and ideology of all Indonesian people certainly has the right impact on recognizing and making Pancasila values the main guideline in governing the country. This can be reflected by bringing Pancasila values into the 1945 Constitution and existing laws and regulations (Maruf Arfiyansyah; Azzahra Aulia Sabrina; Ilham Hudi; Nadiatul Hilaliyah ; Mita Aprilia; Zakiya Nada Aqila , 2024). Pancasila is also a guideline for life, especially for generation z who are now known to be less concerned with the values and norms in Pancasila, Pancasila is only used as memorization and not for implementation . (Anggi Ayu Wijayanti, Nadine Syandhana RF, Sovira Hikari Luna Shinkoo, Riska Andi Fitriono , 2022). Pancasila, which should be a reference for selecting, sorting and limiting the flow of globalization, is now considered weak and useless, perhaps because of the low socialization or less in-depth education of Pancasila (Anggi Ayu Wijiyanti,

Nadine Syandhana RF, Sovira Hikari Luna Shinkoo, Riska Andi F , 2022 Persa). Unity and unity are concepts that refer to the inner bond and spirit of togetherness between individuals or groups in a society, nation, or country. This concept emphasizes the importance of collaboration, cooperation, and solidarity between citizens, regardless of differences in ethnicity, religion, culture, race, and socio-economic background (Annisa, 2023). By making Pancasila as a guideline, the Indonesian nation has a solid foundation to overcome various challenges that have the potential to divide, such as social conflict, differences in interests, and threats of disintegration. Therefore, the role of Pancasila is not only a symbol of unity, but also a tool to build solidarity among all components of the nation in order to achieve common goals. In addition, Pancasila plays a role as a demander in realizing social justice that is evenly distributed throughout Indonesia. By fulfilling the basic needs of society fairly, the potential for conflict due to social inequality can be minimized, and the sense of unity is strengthened. Pancasila provides a framework of values that allows every individual and group to live side by side in peace, respect each other, and work together for the common good. This makes Pancasila not only the basis of the state, but also the glue of the nation that is able to maintain the integrity of Indonesia as a pluralistic country.

Research Methodology

The method used in this journal is the literature review method. Journal literature review is the process of searching, evaluating, and synthesizing journal articles, books, theses, dissertations, and other sources relevant to a particular topic. Then the data obtained is described descriptively. This method was also created to understand the role of Pancasila in building national unity.

Result & Discussion

Indonesia is a country rich in cultural, ethnic, religious, customary, traditional and linguistic diversity. This is in accordance with the statement (Zainab & Dewi, 2021) that Indonesia has a society with a very complex level of diversity so that it is called a multicultural society. Pancasila is a legal ideal that has broad dimensions, written and unwritten, both inside and outside the legal system formulated in the articles of the 1945 Constitution. This means that all actors in state life are required to practice Pancasila. all of its functions are to realize the national ideals: an independent Indonesian state, the order of life described in the opening above is still abstract so that multiple interpretations often arise (Maruf Arfiyansyah; Azzahra Aulia Sabrina; Ilham Hudi; Nadiatul Hilaliyah; Mita Aprilia; Zakiya Nada Aqila, 2024). Pancasila is the foundation of the state, philosophy, and foundation of life of the Indonesian nation, Pancasila also has an important role in forming unity and oneness in Indonesia, meaning that the practice of Pancasila values can unite the Indonesian nation which has a diversity of religions, cultures, customs, tribes/ethnicities, and groups. The Unity of Indonesia is even listed as the 3rd principle of Pancasila. The values of the principle of the Unity of Indonesia are important to implement so that the Indonesian nation is not divided and remains united in the bonds of the Unitary State of the Republic of Indonesia (NKRI). Since the colonial era, Indonesian independence fighters have realized that only with the capital of unity and oneness can the ideals of independence be achieved. The idea of unity and oneness is also clearly seen in the Youth Pledge which is one of the main markers of the birth of awareness that the Indonesian nation must unite in order to be free from colonialism. In the article (syamsul dwi maarif, 2023) In terms of language, unity and oneness mean whole or not divided. Unity can be defined as the gathering of various components into one whole. So unity is the result of the process of unity or unity. Unity and oneness mean the unification of various diverse patterns into one whole whole. Referring to the publication of Lemhannas RI, the Unity and Unity of the Indonesian nation is a state of the Indonesian nation that has the same sense of national spirit in social, national and state life. Unity and unity are also very important for the sustainability and progress of the Indonesian nation . For that there are several reasons why unity and unity are very important for Indonesia, namely:

1. Ethnic and cultural diversity
Indonesia is a country with many ethnic groups, cultures, languages, and religions. Unity and integrity allow all groups of people to live side by side in peace and respect each other, without having to worry about ethnic or cultural conflicts.
2. Stability and social
Unity and integrity reduce the possibility of political and social conflict. Political stability, which enables economic growth and progress, results from national and global togetherness.
3. National resilience
Unity and integrity reduce the possibility of political and social conflict. Political stability, which enables economic growth and progress, results from national and global togetherness.

4. Even development
Unity enables equitable development throughout Indonesia. For overall national progress, the potential of each region can be optimized with joint support.
5. Facing global challenges
Unity enables equitable development throughout Indonesia. For overall national progress, the potential of each region can be optimized with joint support.
6. National identity
Indonesian citizens have a strong and clear national identity formed by a sense of unity and oneness. This fosters a sense of love for the homeland, pride, and a desire to help advance the country.
7. Improve quality of life
Social and economic development can be more effective when everyone is in harmony. With the joint support of the entire community, the handling of poverty, health, education, and social inequality will be more successful.
8. Achievement of national goals
Social and economic development can be more effective when everyone is in harmony. With the joint support of the entire community, the handling of poverty, health, education, and social inequality will be more successful.

The Indonesian nation must be able to absorb the meaning of the motto "Bhinneka Tunggal Ika" so that awareness arises from within that 16 differences are not a barrier for this nation to become a strong nation, in fact, these differences are a source of strength for this nation (Kalista Mukharohmah Mukti Yasila & Fatma Ulfatun Najicha , 2022). The unity and integrity of the Indonesian nation within the framework of the Republic of Indonesia can be interpreted from 4 aspects, namely (1) Indonesia as a political unity; (2) Indonesia as a territorial unity; Indonesia as a defense and security unity; and (4) Indonesia as an economic unity. Pancasila teaches us to respect differences, respect human rights, build a just and equitable social order, and prioritize national unity. By understanding and applying the values of Pancasila in everyday life, we can build a more advanced, prosperous, and just Indonesia (Astuti et al., 2020). Therefore, it is important for us to continue to strengthen and maintain the values of Pancasila in our social, national, and state lives. Thus, Pancasila will remain relevant and beneficial for the future of the nation, and will be able to make a major contribution to building a better and more advanced Indonesia in the future . Society needs to apply the values of Pancasila in order to create a just and prosperous society. Society will be harmonious in life. The future of the country need not be worried about when the values of Pancasila have been applied in their lives. Especially the younger generation, the millennial generation (Santoso et al., 2023)

Conclusion

Unity is very important for Indonesia. As a country rich in cultural, ethnic, religious, customary, traditional, and linguistic diversity, Indonesia needs unity to maintain the integrity and progress of the nation. Pancasila, as the foundation of the state, philosophy, and foundation of the life of the Indonesian nation, has an important role in forming unity. The values of Pancasila, such as respecting differences, respecting human rights, and prioritizing unity, can unite the diverse Indonesian nation. By practicing the values of Pancasila in everyday life, society can build a more advanced, prosperous, and just Indonesia. In addition, unity also provides other benefits for Indonesia, such as maintaining political and social stability, increasing national resilience, encouraging equitable development, facing global challenges, forming a strong national identity, and improving the quality of life of the community. Therefore, strengthening and maintaining the unity of the Indonesian nation within the framework of the Unitary State of the Republic of Indonesia (NKRI) is very important, especially for the younger generation as the successors of the nation.

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