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#### HUMANS AS CIVILIZED BEINGS AND CIVILIZED SOCIETY

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#### **Abstract**

The term civilization in English is called civilization. Civilization, the origin of the word adab, means morals, decency, or delicacy of character. Civilization says that the concepts of moral, ethical and aesthetic values in society are used to refer to parts and elements of fine and beautiful culture, for example: art, science, custom, manners, association, ability to write. State organization or technological system, building art. The term civilization is often used to show our opinions and assessments of cultural development. When the development of culture reaches its peak in the form of cultural elements that are refined, beautiful, high, polite, noble and so on, the people who own the culture are said to have high civilization. Talking about life obviously will never stop, as well as humans and civilization. It is impossible for life to continue without a "movers", namely humans who fill life itself. It is the same with civilizations that were born because of "growth and development" in humans. In essence, humans are destined to fill life, give birth to change and civilization. Where next, that civilization will continue to proceed towards the most complete human life.

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#### Introduction

Humans are Civilized beings that are able to create civilization. Civilization as a product of high value. refined, beautiful, and advanced shows that humans are creatures that have intelligence that is not owned by other creatures. However, what needs to be remembered is that civilization does not only refer to the physical results of human culture, such as goods, buildings, objects, but also refers to the form of ideas, ideas and human behavior that are high, refined, and advanced. Humans as civilized beings also havethe understanding that the human person has the potential to be polite, have good morals, and have noble character. Civilized humans are able to balance creativity, taste, and intention to do something good. Conversely, an uncivilized human being is a person whose behavior is impolite, has no morals, and does not have noble character. That is, if humans are not able to balance creativity, taste, and intention, then humans can fall into barbaric behavior, because they tend to be impolite, rude, and so on.

According to Fairchild, as quoted by Oman Sukmana, "civilization" is the development of culture that has reached a certain level acquired by human supporters. According to Bierens De Hans "civilization" is all social, economic, political and technical life. Thus, civilization is a field of life for practical use, whereas culture is something that originates from a purer desire and passion for a practical purpose in relation to society. Humans besides being God's creatures, as individual creatures as well as socio-cultural creatures, which are interrelated with one another. As God's creatures, humans have an obligation to serve the Kholik, as individual human beings must fulfill all their personal needs and as socio-cultural beings humans must live side by side with other humans in a harmonious life and help each other.

Humans as social beings here are members of society who of course have responsibilities like other members of society, so that they can carry out their lives in that society. Therefore, a responsible human being is a human being who can state that his actions are good in the sense according to general norms.

To become civilized beings, humans must always uphold the rules, norms, customs, sayings and teachings or the values of life in society which are manifested by obeying various social institutions or social rules, so that in life society that will create serenity, comfort, tranquility and peace. And this is the true meaning of being a civilized human being.

Civilized society is basically the sincere desire of humans as civilized beings. As is the case with individuals, society in a certain period of time can quarrel with each other, fight each other, and even kill each other between groups of people. Evidence that until now there have been many wars in various parts of the world, shows that the ideals of a civilized society must always be fought for, defended and maintained as well as possible. Civilization does not only refer to the physical results of human culture, but also to the form of human ideas and behavior. The concept of civilized society comes from the concept of civil society, from the origin of the word civil society, so it is known as civil society, citizen society, or civil society. In addition, humans in exercising their rights to fulfill their personal interests must not exceed the limits or harm the interests of others. As a member of a civilized society, humans must be able to create a balance between private interests and public interests. So there needs to be an ideal combination of private interests and public interests.

## **Research Methodology**

Method The type of research in this article is literature research using a descriptive qualitative approach, by exploring the literature related to the concept of maintaining the existence of Pancasila. In addition, the author also uses parallel texts that support the concept of just and civilized humanity to obtain descriptive information about the whole human being as an exemplary study for today's society to apply. The author also describes a just and civilized human being as an analytical study related to the condition of society.

#### **Result & Discussion**

Cultural Evolution and Stages of Civilization

Cultural evolution takes place in accordance with the development of human culture or mind in facing life's challenges from time to time. The evolutionary process for each community group in various places will obviously be different, depending on the challenges, the environment, and human intellectual ability to anticipate all challenges. The process of cultural evolution and forms of civilization in socio-cultural life include the process of socio-cultural evolution which can be seen in the dynamics of everyday life. Civilization is a stage of cultural evolution that has taken place gradually and continuously, showing a distinctive character at that stage, which is characterized by certain qualities of prominent cultural elements, including high levels of science, art, technology, and spirituality. Therefore, it can be concluded that cultural evolution is a gradual and continuous process of development in accordance with the development of human cultivation or reason in facing life's challenges from time to time.

## Global Civilization Dynamics

According to Arnold Y. Toynbee, a British historian, stated that the birth of civilization was described by the theory of challenge and response. Civilization was born as a response (response) of humans who with all their power and effort and intelligence face, conquer and manage nature as a challenge (challenge) to meet their needs and preserve their survival Meanwhile, Alvin Toffler analyzes in order to increase efficiency and renewal and civilization of society due to the advancement of science and technology. In his book, The Third Wave (1981), he states that the wave of human change has so far experienced three waves, namely:

- 1. The first wave, the agricultural technological civilization that lasted from 800 BC to 1500 AD.
- 2. The second wave, the industrial technological civilization that lasted from 1500 AD to 1970 AD.
- 3. The third wave, information technology civilization that lasted from 1970 AD to the present.

The second wave was the industrial revolution, especially in the Western world, which began with the industrial revolution, which was around 1700 AD to 1970 AD. This period began with the invention of the steam engine in 1721. The third wave was the information revolution which was marked by advances in information technology that made it easier for humans to To make it easier for humans to communicate in various fields, the third wave occurred with technological advances in the fields of communication and data processing, aviation and sea space, alternative energy and renewable energy, as well as urbanization caused by advances in technology, communication and transportation.

## Civilization and Social Change Definition and scope of social culture

Social change is a symptom that will cause a discrepancy between the elements that exist in society, resulting in a pattern of life that is not in accordance with its function for the community concerned. Willbert Moore views social change as "changes in social structure, behavior patterns, and social interactions". Social change is different from cultural change. Cultural change leads to changes in existing cultural elements. William F. Ogburn argues that the scope of social changes includes both material and immaterial elements of culture. Gillin and Gillin say that social changes for a variation of a more acceptable way of life are caused either by changes in geographical conditions, material culture, population competition, ideology or because of the diffusion or new changes in the society. According to Selo Sumardjan, social change is a change that occurs in social institutions within a society that affects the social system, including values, attitudes, and patterns of behavior among groups in society. According to him, social change and cultural change have one aspect in common, namely both are related to an acceptance of new ways or an improvement in the way society meets its needs. Based on these social changes, human civilization is also dynamic and continues to develop, so that several groups of people are recognized in every social change, including the following:

## Traditional Society

In a simple sense, tradition is said to be something that has been done for a long time and has become part of the life of a community group, usually from a country, time, or religion. Modern society is a society that has transformed from traditional to modern, causing changes in various aspects, both in the economic and political fields. Humans who have undergone modernization are revealed in their advanced mental attitude, rational thinking, entrepreneurial spirit, and future-oriented.

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#### Civil Society

Civil society is a thriving social system based on moral principles that guarantee a balance between individual freedom and social stability. Society encourages individual effort and initiative both in terms of thought, art, implementation of government following the law and not individual desires or desires to make predictability and sincerity. The meaning of civil society as civil society refers to the concepts and forms of Medinan society built by the Prophet Muhammad. the Medina community is considered as historical legitimacy of the innocence of the formation of civil society in modern Muslim society. The Indonesian nation is trying to find a form of civil society that is basically a democratic and religious civil society. In relation to the formation of civil society in Indonesia, then democratic and religious citizens are characterized by impatience, critical, argumentative, and creative thinking, and have clear feelings in accordance with the rules, and accept the spirit of Unity in Diversity. Therefore, it can be concluded that civil society is a civilized society, upholding human values, which is advanced in mastering science and technology.

The existence of community groups caused by social change can also be seen by several patterns of social change that have occurred, such as:

- 1. Evolution, in this case society and culture will evolve and develop and occur slowly over a relatively long period of time, so that the development is gradual and gradual.
- 2. Diffusion, which consists of three processes, namely:
  - a. Symbiotic, namely the existence of a meeting between individuals from a society with individuals from other societies or cultures without changing their respective cultures.
  - b. Penetration passive, namely the entry of foreign culture by accident and without being forced.
  - c. penetration violent, namely the existence of a foreign culture that entered by force.

Acculturation, namely as the influence of a culture on another culture or mutual influence resulting in cultural change.

## Calmness, Comfort, Peace and Peace as the Essential Meaning of Civilized Humans

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humans in one particular place and time which is called society. In human society, they have relationships with each other and cooperation (interaction) between one another. That is why the famous philosopher Aristotle said that humans are social beings. Living together or in groups of humans, has several specific goals, namely to fulfill their needs, avoid anger from danger, and continue offspring.

To meet these needs, humans must establish relationships and cooperation (interaction) with other humans. Without interacting with other humans, it is impossible for these needs to be fulfilled, both primary and secondary needs. As it is known that humans as well as social beings are also individual beings, where in fulfilling their own needs without regard to the interests of others. Humans must have a balance between personal interests and public interests. If not, it can cause chaos, conflict among human beings so that order and tranquility will not be realized. To prevent this from happening, guidelines are needed - guidelines for how to act towards other people or how humans should behave in society. The guidelines for life are meant as rules, norms, customs, teachings and teachings or the values of life that exist in society. If humans have been able to create these things, then in fact humans have been able to understand the true meaning or meaning as civilized humans.

#### The Essential Meaning of a Civilized Man

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## Civilization and its Problems for Human Life

The flow of modernization and globalization is something that is bound to happen and is difficult to control, especially because information is so fast that it enters all parts of the world, this has an impact on all nations in the world, including the Indonesian nation. The flow of information is developing rapidly, making the horizons of human views more and more wide open. With enormous power of influence, because it is also supported by the system a strong social system, and at an accelerating pace, technology has become the driving force of human life. With the development of information and communication technology, the world has become narrower, space and time have become very relative, and in many cases, national borders often become blurred and even become irrelevant. According to Indra Siswarini, the ultimate goal of these two efforts or obligations is a modern society that is typical of Indonesia, a society that is not only able to build itself on an equal footing with other nations but is also resilient in facing environmental quality decline.

As a result of globalization, among others, people experience anomie or do not have norms or heteronomy or many norms resulting in social compromise on things that were previously considered to violate the single norm of society. In addition, there is also orientation or alienation. The progress in the field of technology, communication and information that is so rapid as a development of human civilization sometimes creates problems for human life. For example (a cell phone) with various facilities in it, can provide enormous benefits if used properly, but conversely if used improperly it will have a negative impact. Demographic growth and development also has the potential to cause problems for human civilization and civilization. The rapidly growing population, if not matched by the availability of sufficient jobs, will actually create a wave of unemployment.

Therefore, efforts must be made so that we are able to build the nation so that it continues to exist in the midst of increasingly strong currents of modernization and globalization, is to increase the role of educational institutions to continue to gain knowledge and technology as well as information without losing Indonesian identity through preserving the values and morals of the Indonesian nation.

#### Conclusion

From the lessons that we have described and studied above, it can be concluded that civilization and culture cannot be separated from humans. Where to become civilized beings and civilized society, humans must always uphold the rules, norms, customs, values, morals, ethics and aesthetics. In addition, humans must be able to deal with dynamic changes and the very rapid flow of globalization, so that in living life with the true meaning of civilized humans. By understanding development and civilization, as students we are expected to become pioneers and pillars in a better life, a more advanced civilization towards the existing paradigm and country.

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