

Abstract

This research is examining the comments which were on Republika Online (ROL) news portal, particularly about religion defamation case committed by Basuki Tjahaja Purnama or widely known as the Ahok. This religion defamation case by Ahok was chosen because the religion defamation have made things heated up and messing the harmony among religious communities in Indonesia. This study intended to see how society responds through the content of comments on the religion defamation news cases on Republika online (ROL) news portal. This research is using quantitative approach with content analysis method. The results show that reception analysis according to Stuart Hall divided into four category, which are the dominant reading (receiving news content), negotiated meaning (bring up a meaning of its own), oppositional decoding (rejecting the news content) or unclear. With the frequency of comments about 362 comments from the data between coder, netizen tend to comment at oppositional decoding (rejecting the news), with the emergence of the comments content as much as 40,73%.

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