

ABSTRACT

Democracy and politics are two interrelated elements that cannot be separated within a system of governance. In the context of democracy, the highest power lies in the hands of the people, who exercise their right to elect representatives to voice their aspirations in legislative decision-making. However, in reality, many decisions made by these representatives often neglect public aspirations, leading to a crisis of public trust in legislative institutions. This condition threatens the sustainability of democracy and opens the door for the emergence of authoritarian governance systems.

In response to this situation, this final project aims to deliver a critique through a Short Movie as an active form of participation in realigning the direction of democracy in Indonesia. Using a visual approach, the work highlights two main issues: (1) the people's movement as a form of participation and criticism of the political system, and (2) the representation of decisions made by representatives, both those supportive and unsupportive of the people, which impact the decline of public trust. It is hoped that this work can serve as an educational and reflective medium for both society and representatives in strengthening democratic principles that prioritize the people. The title of this short movie is “MASIH ADAKAH DEMOKRASI DINEGERI INI ?”

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