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Abstract

This study was conducted to determine how the perceptions of social change in Indonesia are. The respondents of this study are residents of Jakarta as the capital city of Indonesia, center of government and also the melting pot of Indonesia. Basically, this research is a preliminary research and conducted to find out who the agent of change in Indonesia is and how people's subjective evaluation of significant social change in Indonesia. The Respondents are 118 people with a minimum age of 20 years and at least highschool educational level. The Questionnaire consist of multiple choices and open ended. Data obtained by collecting all the responses and perform thematic analysis. Analysis was done by counting all the responses from the participants. Based on 117 responses, a character who is regarded as an agent of change in President Joko Widodo (29.94%) and Governor of Jakarta (25.7%) Basuki Tjahaja Purnama (26.35%). The research also identified seven aspects of change: political, socio cultural, economic, public service, the general written, technology, law enforcement, and education. This preliminary research, proves that people of Jakarta perceive the social change in Indonesia, particularly in the political field. The changes that occurred also perceived as rapid change and provide some positive impacts.

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