

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

In this chapter, the writer writes about the conclusions and suggestions from the discussion in this final report project.

5.1 Conclusions

Based on the findings, the writer concludes that Batak Toba people are still exist all of the pre-wedding ceremony, they are *Mangaririt*, *Marhori-hori dinding*, *Patua hata/Marhusip*, *Marhata Sinamot*, *Martonggo Raja*, *Martumpol*, and *Marhata Sigabe-gabe*, but there are some ceremonies which are carried out on the same day. Meanwhile in the theory, all of the steps must be performed on the different days. However, it was happened because the male's family residence was in Siantar. Both of families were agreed to hold *Marhori-hori dinding - Marhusip and Martumpol - Marhata Sinamot* on the same day. Beside that, another reason was because of the cost and time efficiency. If the family did all of the ceremony in 7 days, it could be a burden for female's family to cover the costs. Since the male's family just only gave Rp. 20,000,000,- as the dowry, whereas the cost that female's family needed to perform all of the ceremonies would be more than that dowry.

5.2 Suggestion

The suggestion from the writer, is:

Although there are several ceremonies that are different from Sinaga's theory, but the writer expects the community should be able to maintain the existing customs. Thus we can keep and save the cultural heritage for our children and grandchildren.