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INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

A traditional game is an element of culture. Traditional games can affect psychological development, natural, and social life of the child. A traditional game is the result of cultural excavation in which contains a lot of educational value for game activities Providing a sense of fun, happy, cheerful who play it, Sukirman (2004). A The traditional game is one game that comes from an area usually from the village. Many traditional games are done in group. The traditional games will be more interesting if played with friends. There are the example of the traditional game are gasing, kite, congklak, cak ingkling, enggrang, lompat tali, kelereng, petak umpet, lari karung, kasti etc. Traditional games was very populan in ancient time. Traditional game is one of game that unique and has many benefits. Traditional game also can be used as a tourism attraction to attract tourist came to tourism destination.

Tourism attraction is a form of all facilities and activities to attract visitors or tourists come to a specific place, Marpaung (2002:78). In Law No. 9 of 1990 mentioned that there are three types of tourism attraction. Those are tourism attraction of Almighty God's creation that comes from nature such as flora and fauna. Tourism attraction of special interest such as hunting, mountain climbing, cave, industry and crafts, shopping, rafting, place of worship, a place of pilgrimage and others. Tourism attraction of tangible human creation such as museum, historical heritage, agro tourism, hunting tour, nature, adventure tour, recreation parks, entertainment complex, art and culture. As an example of art and culture are a ritual, performing arts (dance), and others. In addition there is an entertainment that comes from the mixing of cultures is a traditional game.

Nowdays most of people are not familiar with traditional games due to technological developments, because of that the traditional games are not played anymore and even have started to be forgotten by the public, Hadi (2016). In this case people prefer to play the modern games in gadget or electronic that is also often found in a mall. Many people already started to get addicted to play modern game not only children but also adult as well. Traditional games have a positive impact because it is usually done in a group or opponents, because of that we can get new friends. Traditional game can make the body moves so that the body becomes healthier. Traditional game can work well together, creative, aktive, responsibility etc. There are some reasons why the people prefer to play modern games, because the modern game is easy to play. People do not need to leave home or play with friends because modern games usualy can be played alone and people can play the modern game anywhere and anytime. unconsciously that modern games have negative impact. The modern game make people be wasteful because to play the modern game, people have to pay rent computer for example when playing play station. The modern game makes people lazy to learn. The modern games make people not creative because modern game already created so people are easy to play. Modern games can damage the eye because of too long at the computer or gadget.

From the explanation above, the writer wants to make traditional games as tourism attraction in Palembang. People would be more interested if visiting a tourism destination which there are tourism attractions that can involve visitors. One of the games that can be used as a tourist attraction in Palembang city is the traditional games, with the existence of tourism attractions people would not feel bored. Therefore, the traditional game can be used as one of the attractions to increase the number of tourists to visit Palembang city, not only that, if the traditional game is developed in Palembang city. It will have a positive impact on the people of Palembang city. The area that has applied the traditional game as a tourism attraction such as Bandung, Magelang, Lombok and Madura. In Bandung city there is a Community called Hong community that preserves the traditional

game. The Hong community is one of the communities that preserves and documents the traditional games of the archipelago. The Hong community has successfully documented 250 games from Sunda, 213 games from central Java and eastern Java, 50 games from Lampung. In addition to documenting this place into a center of study toys and games for people. The Hong community has hundreds of traditional games from ten countries. When tourists want to enter the community area of Hong. The tourist will be charged entrance fee of Rp. 50.000 / person, in this package the tourists can already enjoy the traditional food from Sunda.

Based on the background above, the writer got the idea to make a final project report with the title "Introducing the Traditional Games as a Tourism Attraction in Palembang". There are some traditional games that can be used as a tourism attraction such as Enggrang, Lompat tali, Gobak Sodor, Pantak Lele, Congklak, Bola Kasti, Bola Bekel, Gasing and Hula hoop.

1.2 Problem Formulation

- 1.2.1 What are the traditional games that suitable to be a tourism attraction?
- 1.2.2 Which places that can be used to play the traditional games as a tourism attraction in Palembang?

1.3 Problem Limitation

Because of the limitation, the writer just focus about the traditional games that are suitable to be a tourism attraction in Palembang and the places that can be used to play traditional games.

1.4 Research purpose

The purpose of this report is to present traditional games that are suitable to be a tourism attraction and the places that can be used to play traditional games in Palembang city.

1.5 Research Benefit

1.5. 1 For the writer

- To know and to increase the knowledge about the traditional games that suitable for tourism attraction in Palembang

1.5. 2 For readers

- To give information about the traditional games as a tourism attraction in Palembang

1. 5. 3 For Goverment

- To inform to the government as a guideline to present the traditional games as a tourism attraction in palembang.