

ABSTRACT

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Police language is language using certain terms that can be understood by only a group of people. These terms have their own characteristics in linguistics. So, this research aims to find out; (1) the lingual form of the term variety of police language at the Sumenep Polres, (2) the term etymologically in the variety of police languages at the Sumenep Polres, (3) the meaning of the term variety of police language at the Sumenep Polres.

The method used in this study was a qualitative descriptive method through a sociolinguistic approach. The data used in this study were terms derived from the speeches of police informants. Retrieval of research data was carried out using the proficient method with basic elicitation techniques to listen the using language and record data in the form of police terms. Furthermore, these terms were analyzed using the equivalent method with the technique of *pilah unsur penentu (PUP)*.

The results of this research found in this study are in the form of various police language terms which tend to be marked by the use of abbreviated forms and acronym forms. The use of police terms in this study can be classified into six terms, including (1) police terms related to rank levels, (2) police terms related to position levels, (3) police terms related to mottoes, (4) police terms related to clothing, (5) police terms related to the field of weapons, and (6) police terms related to the operational field.

The terms of the police in this study are viewed from the etymology of the majority in the form of absorption elements from foreign languages and regional languages. Beside that, the study can be seen from a semantic point of view, these police terms generally do not experience a shift in meaning, but a small number experience a shift in meaning that narrows.

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