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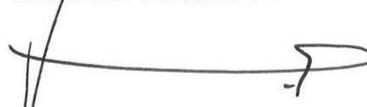
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*(Imam Hasan al-Bashri)*



*Bener luput ala beak lawan begja*

*Cilaka apan saking*

*Ing badan priyangga*

*Dudu saka wong liya*

*Pramila den ngati-ati*

*“Truth or falsehood, goodness or evil, happiness*

*Or misfortune, the cause is found*

*In each one of us*

*And not in another*

*So must we be watchful”*

*(pupuh VI, durma 3)*

## **DEDICATION**

*The thesis is dedicated to I, You, and Everyone who wants to know his  
or her own self.*

# TRANSLITERATION

## VOWEL LETTERS

a>	a long spelling
i<	i long spelling
u>	u long spelling

ARABIC LETTER	WRITTEN	NAME
ا	No symbol	Alif
ب	b	ba
ت	t	ta
ث	s\	s\ a
ج	j	jim
ح	h{	h} a
خ	kh	kha
د	d	dal
ذ	z\	z\ al
ر	r	ra
ز	z	zai
س	s	sin
ش	sy	syin
ص	s}	s} ad
ض	d{	d{ ad
ط	t}	t{ a
ظ	z{	z} a
ع	'	' ain
غ	g	gain
ف	f	fa
ق	q	qaf
ك	k	kaf
ل	l	lam
م	m	mim
ن	n	nun
و	w	wau
ه	h	ha
ي	y	ya

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## ABSTRACT

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Postmodern society has related to the terms of relativism, it is kind of the rejection of certain universal forms (grand narrative). In this case, the uncertainty of ethic is being one of the problems of humanity that exist in postmodern society. It means that there is no true moral principles generally. The accuracy of all moral principles are relatively accommodated to the concerned or selected individual environment. The difficulty is how to marry such values to respect for diversity. Some kinds of global agreement about the principal of social justice are desirable. Human have to position themselves between 'absolutism' and 'anything goes'.

Ki Ageng Suryomentaram, one of the Javanese Philosophy, formulate a tenet or teaching called as *Kawruh Jiwa* which is classified as the human philosophy. It is not intended as an absolute concept that must be followed. This teaching is not a form of totalitarianism reconstruction. It is also can be included as one of what has been called Lyotard by a small narrative; those have a goal to establish a human individual.

So in postmodernism view, the concept of Ki Ageng Suryomentaram, either it about harmony or *manungsa tanpa tenger, mawas diri*, and *mulur mungkret* can be a knowledge that qualify to be publicize. It should be applied in a postmodern society in order to create a harmonious and human life. It is not as a reconstruction of an absolute concept for all mankind, but as the choice of the view of life, without alienating other knowledge. Every individual or communities can get their selves position in postmodern society.