

## KOMUNIKASI AGAMA R.A. KARTINI KEPADA NYONYA ABENDANON-MANDRI

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### ABSTRACT

*Every April 21 Indonesian people celebrate Kartini Day. R.A. Kartini who is considered as a national hero identical with her struggle through her letters sent to friends who occupy positions in the Dutch colonial government, one of them was Mrs Abendanon-Mandri, a wife of Mr. Abendanon, Minister of Education and Crafts Netherlands in 1890. The contents of these letters was she wanted the Dutch colonial noted Bumiputra. Through the letter, communication used by R.A. Kartini was influenced by friends and reading when he read it. One of them was when she meet with Mbah Soleh Darat in Demak. It was not many researchers observe their meeting. The books that have been published solely focus on the fight gender inequality, women's education, and nationalism of RA Kartini. Meanwhile, researchers didn't note the religion side.*

*Therefore there are things that should be examined from the religius of RA Kartini. Firstly, it was about why correspondence was chosen by R.A. Kartini as an effort to introduce Islam to Mrs Abendanon. Secondly, any religious issues R.A. Kartini presented to Mrs. R.M. Abendanon-Mandri. And the third is how R.A. Kartini framing religious issues through letters to Mrs. R.M. Abendanon-Mandri.*

*To investigate the issue, the researchers used data collection techniques from previous research of RA Kartini books and letters sent to Mrs Abendanon published by KITLV. The analysis is to reveal three things using discourse analysis. This analysis will focus on how to analyze the figure of RA Kartini and her letters. It is also to know what reality construction by RA Kartini in letters to Mrs AbendanonMandri.*

*In journal of A Century Kartini (Anthology Essays About RA Kartini) Grafitas in 1983 briefly it is about the real freedom that solely happened in human beings, not only men but also women, so is in scientific papers Java Representation of Women in Film RA Kartini written by Edwina Ayu Dianingtyas Diponegoro University in 2010, in which it is about polygamy considered as gender inequality.*

*In this study R.A. Kartini was not only a nationalist but also student at the time. Among the evidence includes several letters written on religious issues as well as opposition to the missionaries zending or gospel in Java. In addition, the initial letter R.A. Mrs Kartini Abendanon-Mandri against polygamy, but in the course of his life, RA Kartini still accept polygamy as the Koran allows polygamy with certain conditions. This is one reason R.A. Kartini was not only figures but figures of nationalist student who lived in a noble family that deserves to be studied by Muslim scientists.*

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### ABSTRAKSI

*Setiap tanggal 21 April Rakyat Indonesia memperingati Hari Kartini. Diangkatnya R.A. Kartini sebagai pahlawan nasional tak lepas dari perjuangannya melalui surat-suratnya yang dikirim ke sahabat-sahabat yang menduduki jabatan di Pemerintah Kolonial Belanda, salah satunya Nyonya Abendanon-Mandri, yang tak lain adalah istri dari Mr. Abendanon, Menteri Pendidikan dan Kerajinan Belanda pada 1890. Isinya surat-surat tersebut tak lain agar masyarakat Bumiputra diperhatikan oleh pihak kolonial Belanda.*

*Melalui surat itu, komunikasi R.A. Kartini terpengaruh dengan teman dan bacaan yang ia baca ketika itu. Salah satunya adalah pertemuannya dengan Mbah Soleh Darat di Demak. Dari pertemuan inilah tak banyak peneliti yang mengupas. Buku-buku yang telah diterbitkan fokus pada perlawanan ketimpangan gender, pendidikan perempuan, dan nasionalisme R.A. Kartini. Sementara sisi agama tersisihkan.*