

Phonological Errors in Pronouncing Basa Osing: Analysis of Language Behavior

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Article Info ABSTRACT

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Language Behavior Phonological Errors Basa Osing Banyuwangi This research aims to determine the language behavior of Basa Osing speakers in phonological aspects. This research is important because of the debate over the Basa Osing linguistic status which considers that Basa Osing is only a variation of Javanese, and the other assumption that Basa Osing is an independent local language. This kind of situation will probably affect the behavior of Basa Osing speakers. This research used qualitative methods and collecting data by using silent movie and picture. The participants involved in this research are 10 Basa Osing speakers. Errors found in pronouncing Basa Osing are in form of ignoring the diphtongization of vocals /i/ and /u/ at the end of the word and the palatalization of /b/ at the beginning and at the middle of the word, /d/ at the middle of the word, /m/ in the middle of the word, so that the spoken word sounds more like a word in Javanese than Basa Osing.

I. INTRODUCTION

Basa Osing is a local language originally from Banyuwangi. Banyuwangi is one of district in East Java. Basa Osing, even up to now, its linguistic status is still debated. Some people claim that Basa Osing is an independent language, but some people claim that Basa Osing is only "part" or variation of other local languages.

But, in 1990 at Kongres Bahasa Jawa II in Batu, Basa Osing declared itself as an independent local language and introduced itself not as a variation of Javanese. Therefore, Basa Osing as a local language was taught in school as local content[1].

However, in 2014, the Governor of East Java removed Basa Osing as local content in East Java, so that the local language taught was only Javanese and Madurese. This is written in East Java Governor Regulation No. 19 of 2014[2]. The elimination of Basa Osing from the local content curriculum was because Basa Osing is considered as Javanese in different "accent" and does not have a standard grammar. With

this kind of situation, Basa Osing might be forgotten increasingly in the future. Then, it can probably affect the language behavior of its speakers.

This study wants to find out the current language behavior of Basa Osing speakers in phonological aspect. Because what makes Basa Osing is different to Javanese, is clearly shown in their phonological aspect. More detail about differences between Basa Osing and Javanese are explained in literature review.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

a. Differences between Basa Osing and Javanese

Many people thought that Basa Osing and Javanese are very similar, but some contrast shown linguistically between Basa Osing and Javanese is their phonological aspect.

1. Basa Osing has seven vowel phonemes, /a/, /i/, /u/, /e/, /ə/, /o/, and /ɔ/. But phonemes /i/ and /u/ in open ultima syllables become [ai] dan [au],

- phonemes /i/ and /u/ in close ultima syllables become [ϵ] and [δ] [3].
- 2. The consonant group pronunciation of /w,j,r,l / is always suppressed so that it sounds /ww, jj, rr, ll/. Other than that, the consonant group pronunciations of /b, w, g, d, j, l / often experience palatalization so that it sounds [b^y, w^y, g^y, d^y, l^y] [3]

To explain more in detail, here are the table of consonants in Basa Osing (taken from Kamus Bahasa Daerah Using – Indonesia)[4].

Phonemes	Allophones	Example/Position in Words		
		Beginning	Middle	End
/b/	[b]	Bentuk	Ambi	Gubab
	[by]	'lempar'	'dengan'	bohong'
	. ,	Bakal	Jebèng	-
		'tunangan'	'anak pr.'	
/d/	[d]	Dudu	Wadon	Koled
	$[d^y]$	'bukan'	ʻperempuan'	'lama'
		Damèn	Rèndèn	-
		'jerami'	'daun	
			pisang'	
/D/	[D]	Dhuwur	Pudhot	-
	$[D^y]$	'tinggi'	'duda'	-
		Dhawuk.	Gedhèg	
		'kelabu'	'dinding'	
/g/	[g]	Geneng	Sugeng	Bojog
O	[g ^y]	'biar'	ʻangkuh'	'kera'
		Ganas	Legèn 'nira'	
		boros'	O	
/dʒ/	[dʒ]	Jugil	Rijig	-
, ,,	[q3 _λ]	'dengki'	'bersih'	-
	[3]	Jarit 'kain'	Lèjèg	
		5	becek'	
/1/	[1]	Lendhu	Kiling	Kapal
	[1y]	'lamban'	'titiran'	'kuda'
		Lah 'nah'	Kilèn 'kiri'	-
/m/	[m]	Magih	Lumur	Inum
	$[m^y]$	'masih'	'gelas'	'minum'
		Makenè	Sumèh	-
		'biar'	'ramah'	
/n/	[n]	Nawi	Randhu	Sengkan
	$[n^y]$	'barangkali'	'nanti'	'tanjakan'
		-	Sunar	-
			'sinar'	
/ŋ/	[ŋ]	Ngethèl	Tingkes	Jajang
•	[ŋ ^y]	'terbiasa'	'ikat'	'bambu'
		-	Bengen	-
			'dulu'	
/n/	[n]	Nyak	Unyik	-
<u>.</u> .	[n ^y]	'terimalah'	'tawa'	-
	. J	Nyang 'ke'	Genyèh	
		_	<i>busuk</i>	
			berair'	

/r/	[r]	Rada	Aran	Menur
	$[\mathbf{r}^{y}]$	'agak'	'nama'	'melati'
		-	Iras 'serong'	-
/w/	[w]	Warah	Juwut	-
	$[\mathbf{w}^{\mathbf{y}}]$	'beritahu'	ʻambil'	-
		Wak	Tuwèk	
		'uwak'	'tua'	

Table 1. Consonants in Basa Osing

With the same language root, and contact with Javanese through its speakers, many Javanese and Basa Osing words are [5]:

1) the same pronunciation but different meanings for example:

Wanda	Meaning in	Meaning in
Words	Basa Osing	Javanese
kadhung	ίť	'too late'
rabi	'wife'	'to marry'
sugeng	'arrogant'	to greet
		people, for
		example
		"Sugeng Dalư"
		means good
		evening.
tembung	'ball'	'word'
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Table 2. Example 1

2) similar in pronunciation and exactly the same meaning for example:

Basa Osing	Javanese	Meaning
ambi	ambek	'with'
bengen	biyen	'formerly'
juwut	jumuk	'take'
lobok	lombok	'chili'

Table 3. Example 2

3) both the same usage and meaning, but Basa Osing already has its own equivalent words for example:

Original Basa Osing	Javanese**	Meaning
gadug	teka	'to arrive'
elom	luwe	'hungry'
parek	cidhek	'close to'
raina	awan	'noon'

Table 4. Example 3

b. Language Behavior

Language behavior according to Kridalaksana[6], is a concept that is equated with performance, and different from competence. Language behavior is defined as the real output of linguistic and nonlinguistic, in terms of linguistics can be in the form of certain utterances, including also grammatical errors. Whereas in terms of non-linguistic, language behavior

^{**)} these words are still understandable and sometimes used in Basa Osing.



can be influenced by psychological factors that accompany the use of language. There are misconceptions about language behavior and language attitude. According to Ramadani et al[7], language attitude is how to think, to use, and to feel the language. The same concept also stated by Gusnawaty[8], language attitude is a mental position or feeling towards someone's own language or someone else's language.

The relationship between language attitude and language behavior is often debated, some researchers claim that behavior is always a reflection of attitude, while some others state that behavior is not always a reflection of attitude.

III. METHODOLOGY

Qualitative method is used to investigate the language behavior Basa Osing speakers. Therefore, to investigate their behavior, observation to participants' utterances by using silent movie and picture was applied.

This research used convenience sampling technique. Convenience sampling model used in this research was volunteer sampling. Convenience sampling was used to draw participants that are both easily accessible and willing to participate in this research.

a. Participants

The participants involved were 10 people. Participants involved were those who were willing to take the process of retrieving speech data to be recorded and analyzed. The 10 participants are:

No.	Participant	Village	Occupation
1.	RS (17,	Singotrunan	Student
	Female)		
2.	DF (17,	Singotrunan	Student
	Male)		
3.	Z (18, Male)	Karangrejo	Student
4.	LD (24,	Penganjuran	Civil Servant
	Male)		
5.	RA (23,	Panderejo	Graduate
	Female)		Program
			Student
6.	SY (26,	Sobo	Banker
	Female)		
7.	B (28, Male)	Kepatihan	Entrepreneur
8.	WR (53,	Singotrunan	Teacher
	Male)		
9.	WW (55,	Sobo	Banker
	Female)		

10.	Y (51,	Kepatihan	Housewife	_
	Female)			
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b. Data Collection

The researcher asked the participants to retell a silent movie and a picture in Basa Osing. This step is adapted from Sukamto and Purwo[9]. The utterances of participants were recorded as data to know their behavior in speaking Basa Osing and to know their proficiencies as well. The silent movie used in this research was taken from one of Indonesian commercial (40 seconds). Commercial was chosen because commercial has a message that can be easily understood by the audience from all range of age. Then, for the picture used was the picture of traditional market consist of many people doing various activities. These instruments were used to trigger the participants to speak Basa Osing spontaneously in the same topics. The usage of two kinds of instruments was necessary in order to gain more utterances and data. The utterances from the participants were recorded and analyzed to see the pattern and their behavior while using Basa Osing.



Picture 1. Screen Capture of Silent Movie Used Source: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eAKOPfGxH9Q

c. Data Analysis

- 1. The data was obtained by recording the participants' utterance in Basa Osing from given silent movie and picture. The researcher asked the participants to retell what was inside the movie and picture.
- 2. Listening and transcribing carefully the utterances from the recorder.

3. Analyzing the utterances of each participant and comparing each other to see their characteristics or pattern in speaking and their behavior.

IV. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Based on the results, the prominent behavior is from the behavior of pronuncing consonants and vocals correctly.

 Participants do not have any knowledge of any consonants used in Basa Osing. This is proved by almost all participants in this group that were pronuncing consonants f and v (both spoken /f/) in retelling silent movie and picture.

"Ning **video** iku, ndelokna ana uwong (emmm) mudik." (RS, 17)

"Ning video iku, (emmm), nyeritakna uwong mbantu uwong susah.." (DF, 17)

"Ning **foto** iki, ning gambar iki, (emmm) ana tempaté nang pasar" (DF, 17)

"Ndék **video** iku mau, nyeritakna uwong hang susah." (Z, 18)

'Dadi ceritané teka **video** iku mau ana bapak-bapak byalek teka kerja" (LD, 24)

From the cited data above, it can be seen that participants did not realize that the use of consonants **f** and **v** (both spoken /**f**/) is something that should not be done in Basa Osing, because those consonants do not exist in Basa Osing. Basa Osing itself absorbs new vocabulary or words from other languages by changing consonants /**f**/ or /**v**/ to /**p**/. It seems that, this is the only participant who realized to use the consonant /**p**/ to pronounce the word *video*.

"Dadi nang **pidio [piDiyo]** ikau ana lare lanang hang numpak sepeda motor" (RA, 23)

Although it is still acceptable and understandable if a speaker uses consonant /f/ rather than /p/, but it shows unfavorable language behavior.

2. Participants also do not have awareness of vocal sounds such as [A] and [I] in some Basa Osing words, as a result the participant sounds like using

an Indonesian word. According to the Kamus Bahasa Using[4], [A] is an allophone or sound variation of /a/, while [I] is an allophone of /i/. For example:

'Tapi tepak ana anaké metu, dikei boneka **gara**gara iling anaké nang omah." (Z, 18)

Z (18) pronounced the word *gara-gara* 'cause' with [gara gara] instead of → [gArA gArA]. So that, this word was pronounced like Bahasa Indonesia word rather than like Basa Osing.

"Bonekané dikèkna ning anaké, terus **keluarga**né iku seneng." (RS, 17)

RS (17) also pronounced the word *keluarga* 'family' with [keluwarga] instead of → [keluwargA]. Not only that, almost all of the participants in this group pronounced *mobil* 'car' with [mObil] instead of → [mObIl].

3. As explained earlier, in Basa Osing, some consonants are palatalized. However, many participants also ignored this when retelling silent movie or picture. The consonants that should be palatalized found in data are /b/, /g/, /m/, /D/, /d/.

Sample for /b/:

"Terus wong iku nggak gelem dibayar" (RS, 17) "...uwong ning pasar, tawa-tawaan, dodolan, sembarang wis,..." (LD, 24)

Sample for /g/:

"Dadi iku **gambar**é ning, nong, pasar blambangan" (RA, 23)

Sample for /m/:

"Sampek ning umyahe si hang numpak kendaraan motor mau byalek ning **omah**é ketemu bojoné ambi anaké" (WR, 53)

Sample for /D/:

"Ning tengah dyalan, nemoni **kendaraan** mogok." (WR, 53)



Sample for /d/:

"Mari ngono, nang **dalan**, ana keluarga hang numpak motor" (RA, 23)

The examples above that are marked in bold are examples of words that the consonant /b/, /g/, /m/, /D/, /d/ are not palatalized. The correct words should be pronounced like this.

Dibayar → [dib^yayar] Sembarang → [semb^yaraŋ] Gambar → [g^yamb^yar] Omah → [um^yah] Kendaraan → [kenD^yaraan] Dalan → [d^yalan]

However, the participants also showed several words that were correctly pronounced. It happens because a palatalized consonant is an allophone that does not distinguish meaning if it is not used. However, by palatalizing the consonant it will show an accent that is more "Osing" than similar to Javanese. Here are some words that are correctly pronounced by some participants.

"isun ndeleng ana uwong kelambi **abyang**" (RS, 17) "akeh uwong-uwong hang pada tuku tuku kebutuhané nang **umyah**." (Z, 18) "mau ana bapak-bapak **byalek** teka kerja" (L, 24) "umahisun alamaté ning jalan bromo nomer limo,

Singotrunan, **Byanyuwangi**" (WR, 53) "Hun pikir gedigu **byaen** weh." (WR, 53)

"Lha ning tengah **dyalan**, kecaruk karo uwong liyo" (L, 24)

"Anaké di**gyendhong** ambi dijuwutna hadiah hang diuwèni ambi lare cilik" (WR, 53)

4. Besides some consonants have to be palatalized, the difference between the Javanese language and Basa Osing is in the vocal /i/ and /u/ being diphthongized if it is at the end of the word. Therefore, vocal /i/ becomes [ai] and /u/ becomes [au]. However, many participants ignore this, especially in prepositions *iki*'this' [ikai] and *iku* 'that' [ikau]. Those words seem very prominent, because

participants use the word repeatedly remembering those words are preposition. Another words that should be diphthongized on vocal /i/ and /u/ is.

"Akeh uwong sing dodolan buah-buahan, terus klambi-klambi" (B, 28)
"...bromo nomer limo, Singotrunan,
Byanyuwangi" (WR, 53)

The word *klambi* 'clothes' should be pronounced [klambai] and Banyuwangi should be pronounced [b^yanuwanai]. However, again, because [ai] and [au] are only variations of phoneme /i/ and /u/, then it does not change the meaning of the word, but less like native speaker of Basa Osing. But, not all participants ignore this, for example:

"Dadi ana uwong hang **tukau**, ana uwong hang dodol" (WR, 53)

The word [tukau] is derived from the word [tuku] 'buy' which is the vowel /u/ at the end of the word being extracted to [au].

V. CONCLUSION

Based on their behavior characteristics, all the participants did some errors. In form of pronunciation, the participants ignored the diphtongization of vocals /i/ and /u/ at the end of the word and the palatalization of /b/ at the beginning and at the middle of the word, /d/ at the middle of the word, /D/ at the middle of the word, and /m/ in the middle of the word, so that the spoken word sounds more like a word in Javanese than Basa Osing.

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