# The Functions of Political Conspirations in Tetralogy Dangdut Novel by Putu Wijaya's (Sociopragmatic Study)

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Abstract:- This study aims to find out the function of the conspiracy in the Dangdut tetralogy novel. This study uses sociopragmatic studies to reveal the function of the conspiracy in the novel. The research approach used is qualitative. The data analysis technique used hermeneutic and heuristic methods. The results show that there are conspiracy functions such as: Assertive function of fighting for money, assertive function of fighting for shares, and expressive function of making opponents depressed.

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### I. INTRODUCTION

Humans as social beings always live in a social environment. A form of togetherness done by humans as social beings is no longer done to achieve only good things. But things are not good or bad though; humans always work together to achieve a goal. In this case, from a political point of view. Directions to a conspiracy will begin to form. Politics, identified with various efforts to get something, will make an effort by creating a conspiracy.

Conspiracy is various attempts to twist the truth and bias the facts (Noviawan.2013. p.25). Conspiracy describes a secret plan carried out by a people called a conspiracy or alliance with various purposes and functions. Concerning the function of conspiracy, Hornby (1995.p.246) explains that political conspiracy is defined as a secret plan carried out by humans in groups and functions to carry out various illegal acts. In other words, a political conspiracy is a secret plan carried out by a group of people to do something politically dangerous. In a different point of view, Ohlin (2008.p.1) states that the function of conspiracy is always conceptualized on an understanding for the common good, which turns out to be just a lie. Conspiracies can be found in any circumstances, such as social life, politics, literary works This study uses a literary work in the form of a novel by Putu Wijaya. One of Putu Wijaya's works, the Dangdut tetralogy novel, criticizes the political conspiracy of Jakarta's life in Indonesia. The Dangdut tetralogy novel is a manifestation of idealism, a communication activity between himself and the reader that impacts various perceptions. Diversity of perception refers to different ways of understanding related to experience in making sense of life. (Pomerantz.p.527-537). In addition, Putu Wijaya also always includes elements of politics and social perspectives in every novel he produces. It is shown that Putu Wijaya is a writer who

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often criticizes the socio-political life that occurs in his environment.

The function of political conspiracy describes a variety of functions that are motivated by a situation of political upheaval and intersect with the social life of the characters. In this novel, the function of political conspiracy describes two functions: assertive function and expressive function. The novel Dangdut tetralogy by Putu Wijaya describes the conspiracy activities of the story characters as seen through narrative conversations. The uniqueness of this research is that the theory used to explore is a combined theory of two disciplines: the sociology of literature and pragmatics, which are combined into sociopragmatics.g a conspiracy.

# II. METHODS

The research approach used in interpreting the function of political conspiracy in the text is qualitative (Creswell, 2017; Creswell & Creswell, 2020) and descriptive. Literary interpretation of this research is carried out in two stages, namely heuristic and hermeneutic interpretation. Through these two stages of interpretation, it is hoped that the interpretation between the functions of political conspiracy and sociopragmatics will be more holistic (Jones, 2017). The data source of this research is the novel Dangdut tetralogy by Putu Wijaya. This novel consists of four novels, namely: Dangdut, Nora, Mala, and Indonesia. They were published by Basa Basi in 2017, with a total of 1523 pages.

# III. RESULT

The function of the conspiracy represents the goals of the characters in the novel to conflict. The characters in the novel conflict with various purposes. It is shown that to achieve stability in the conspiracy. Conspiracy functions are divided into two, namely assertive functions and expressive functions.

Assertive function refers to characters who are in conflict to express a struggle for something. Something that is meant can be a struggle for money. The following is an assertive function performed by the characters in the Dangdut Tetralogy novel.

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"I didn't betray Dori. And, I don't want that money!" "Good. So tomorrow you just transfer it to my account." "NO!" "No?" (FK.FA.D.01)

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Based on the FK.FA.D.01 data, it is an interpretation of the assertive function of fighting for money. The struggle for money is carried out by characters named Adam and Mala. The cash up for grabs is a fund that suddenly appears in Mala's account. The funds are transfer funds that Midori gets from her clients. Midori's client hopes that with the money, he can publish articles that smell like SARA. And Midori said that she has a friend who can help her to publish the article.

The characters in the novel also perform assertive function to fight over shares. Adam is one of those figures who is very persistent in getting company shares. It is shown in the following data.

"Don't you know? Adam who wants to buy all of the owner's shares in order to get a majority vote. Know why?"

Budi is remains silent, even though he knows.

"He's a party member now!" (FK.FA.N.01)

Based on the FK.FA.N.01 data, it is an interpretation of the existence of an assertive function. The assertive function meant is the seizure of company shares carried out by Adam. Assertive function was revealed when Tuty said this to Budi. Adam wanted a majority vote so he could become chairman of the company.

Expressive function combines speech function theory in pragmatics with conflict theory in the sociology of literature approach. The expressive function refers to conflict to have a psychic impact on the opponent. Mala also feels psychological pressure for what she is experiencing. The twists and turns in his life have left him helpless. Surrendering to fate may be the only way out of what Mala feels. This can be seen in the following data.

For a few moments Mala felt empty. He didn't want to instigate what the actual plot of the scenario was. The affairs he entered had become so complicated, it was no longer clear who the perpetrators were. What is the end goal And, what is its role. The longer it goes on, the more it disappears. (FK.FE.M.01).

Based on the FK.FE.M.01 data, it is an interpretation of the existence of an expressive function. The expressive function appears in something that Mala feel. Mala felt a momentary sense of relief when she succeeded from the two mysterious people chasing her. This started with a check given by Mr. Misty to him. Unexpectedly by Mala, it turns out that two unknown people from the airport have watched her. And finally, Mala managed to escape from the pursuit of the two people.

This is not the only incident that Mala has ever experienced. Even throughout his life, he was constantly getting threats and terror. Mala chose to end it by disguising her identity and going to Bali. In Bali, he became a taxi driver under the pseudonym Made. For a moment, his decision was a relief. However, that doesn't stop him from being targeted by people he doesn't know.

The two people chasing Mala are not described in detail in the Dangdut Tetralogy novel. However, the life scenario experienced by Mala can be seen that the conspirators are pursuing Mala. Mala's desire to survive doesn't seem to stop her from being a target.

#### IV. DISCUSSION

Conspiracy function is a function of conspiracy activities that are shown in behavior through speech interactions between characters. The research found two functions of a political conspiracy: assertive function and expressive function. The assertive function reflects conflicting characters to express a struggle for something. Something that is meant can be a struggle for money. This is based on the circumstances that support the assertive function. The expressive function combines speech function theory in pragmatics with conflict theory in the sociology of literature approach. The expressive function refers to conflict to have a psychic impact on the opponent.

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