

POLITIK EKSPANSIONIS SULTAN AGUNG DAN GERAK MEMUNGGUNGI LAUT ABAD XVII: MEMBACA ULANG HISTORIOGRAFI JAWA

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ABSTRACT

This article discusses the historiography of Islamic rule in Java which stimulates the movement of sea people to turn their backs on the sea by developing the thesis of Adrian B. Lopian. The history of Java is not only about political power and political conflicts between the 17th century Javanese kingdoms, but also about expansion, social problems, socio-political domination, and the eradication of the collective memory of maritime culture. As a result of the confirmation of the legitimacy of the power of the palace, in the 16th-17th centuries, various violent incidents occurred in northern Java and the outskirts. Under the pretext of expanding power and attempting to attack Batavia, this event was normalized. This is a historiographical phenomenon that looks at the problems of writing history. Especially regarding the minimal discussion about the oppression of the Javanese Maritime community over the political domination of Mataram. This article also discusses criticism of conventional historiography which only discusses heroic stories. Using a critical maritime history study, this article presents a rereading of the political narrative of Sultan Agung's expansion to North and East Java. This research is an attempt by the author to carry out an alternative perspective to see the movement of "the back to the sea" in Java, which has implications for the formation of an agrarian society.

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