Interrelation of Religion and Culture in Gunungan Tradition Cosmology: Islamic and Javanese Perspectives

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Abstract
Philosophically, the science of The Qur’an about mountains is interpreted as a system of local awareness in the form of spiritual communication in the gunungan tradition of Javanese society. The concept of mountains in the Qur’an is scientific proof (kauniyah) of the Oneness of God as the Javanese interpret it as the concept of Gusti Manunggal. This dialectical relationship can be traced through the meaning of mountain cosmology in the Qur’an and Javanese philosophy in the perspective of interrelation between religion and culture. This study aims to explain mountains in the scientific perspective of the Qur’an with various functions which philosophically have a strong relationship in the gunungan tradition of the Garabek, Tumpeng, Slametan, and Sekaten rituals as the embodiment of tauhid in Central Java or Panjang-jimat in West Java. The method used is a thematic interpretation study with a descriptive narrative approach. Research on mountain cosmology or gunungan in the perspective of Islam and Javanese culture finds that (1)
*Gunungan* is a form of symbolic communication that functions as an adhesive for the ordinary people on the one hand and at the same time spiritual. (2) The mountain is a universal system that affects the life of the Javanese people in fulfilling their life needs in an ecosystem function. (3) The *gunungan* tradition is a medium for praying, gratitude as a form of application, safety, and peace, as well as a medium for the spread of Islam. It can be concluded that the relationship between Islam and Javanese culture is a unified and unique Islamic characteristic in expressing theological and ecological awareness.


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Introduction

Religion and science in the study of the Qur’an are often seen as a forceful instrument of justification, which is not entirely true when it is seen in the paradigm of science or ‘ilm.¹ Conceptually, its view can be traced in the terminology of righteousness, for example, interpreting the concept of istislah, which is not only limited to morality but needs to be expanded from the limits of the religious rituals’ meaning to the more practical and factual purpose. It can alleviate the problems of the Muslim society are increasingly entangled in the matters of injustice, balance, social law, up to culture. Therefore the idea of the Qur’an related to science should be reviewed in the human relational paradigm and the wider universe.²

The relationships of human and universe in the Qur’an perspective is described as an inspiring partnership relation both governance till the meaning of natural material structures functions to be understood as evidence of God's kauniyah, so that become the basic principle of the knowledge concept that can raise human analytical awareness on the attitude of religiosity with nature.³ Evidence of religious affinity and science is also confirmed by Imam Ghazali in the book of ihya ‘ulumuddin and in Jawahirul Qur’an and some other thinkers and mufassir such as Fakru’razi in his commentary al Razi (850-900 AD).⁴ Likewise, other Muslim scholars before and after al Razi who have proven the study of science in the Qur’an such as; al Jabir (750-800 AD), Khawarizmi (800-850 AD), then al-Mas’udi (900-950) as the post-al Razi generation, Abu al-Wafa’ (950-1000 AD), then al-Biruni and Ibn Sina who were a generation in 1000-1050 AD and al-Khayyam (1050-1100 AD). The study of Muslim intellectuals can be

⁴Zaglul Al-Najjar, “Madkhal Ila Dirasah Al-I’jaz Al-‘ilm Fi Al-Quran Al-Karim Wa Al-Sunnah Al-Nabawiyah Al-Mutahharah” (Lebanon: Dar Ma’rifah, 2009), 78-79.
the essential relation of science with the Qur’an that gives the space of scientific knowledge to explain the Oneness of God through His-kauniyah verse.5

Kauniyah verses, which are known as scientific evidence of the Qur’an, can be traced through various verses that around 750-1000 verses in the Qur’an, compared with 250 verses that explain the issues of law or sharia. In terms of the verses, Qur'an proportion and science are unity part of revelation that is indisputable.6 However, it does not mean the Qur'an as proof of science, but rather as a guide to the justification of God's Oneness. That statement is relevant to Sayyid Hosein Nasr’s statement that science in the Qur’an is more appropriate if it places the Qur’an as a prototype for science.7 If it is so, the fluency of the Qur'an science will continue to intertwine and inspire people throughout time.8 Based on the evidence of science verses in the Qur’an, Allah Almighty. It always motivates people to empower the grace to observe, analyze, to observe various natural phenomena.9 The factuality of the science verse was later developed as the basic principle of science in various fields of knowledge.10

One of the interesting Qur'an sciences is the phenomenon of mountains both in terms of building architecture and the universality

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function of spirituality medium as a manifestation of transcendental interdependence attitudes. In terms of spirituality, the mountain phenomenon in macrocosm reality is evidence of the manifestation of God’s existence sourced from His-*rububiyah* nature, in Ibn Arabi’s view explained that the existence of the universe is part of God's immanent form that encourages self-awareness into a unified system of faith and belief in God’s existence.\textsuperscript{11}

Science in the Qur’an that talks about mountains get a fairly high academic appreciation by producing a variety of views, such as mountains that function as pegs of the earth to maintain the stability of the earth from various shocks or earthquakes.\textsuperscript{12} With its stability, the life of the earth becomes habitable because it has a certain level in terms of the earth’s temperature, gravity, till the distance of the earth from other sky objects.\textsuperscript{13} Even according to Tantawi Jauhari, the mountain also serves as water storage because of the mountain characteristics that are able to manage the watery clouds at the top of the mountain to produce more frequent and heavy rain.\textsuperscript{14} Phenomenological awareness consciously builds spiritual reception and symbolic articulation by society in human relations with the universe.

The awareness arises and strengthens in Javanese tradition, in tradition and culture also spiritual function known as *gunungan* which is more spiritual in symbolic meaning. *Gunungan* became an important part of the representation of Javanese rituals during the Garebek event, which is understood as a monolithic tawhid system that serves as a reminder of humans to God as a phase of gratitude to ask for safety and

\textsuperscript{14}Fuad Taufiq Imron, *Konsep Gunung Dalam Kitab Al-Jawahir Fi Tafsir Al-Qur’an Al-Karim (Perspektif Sains Moderen)* (Universitas Islam Negeri Walisongo, Semarang, 2016), 84.
peace by sharing each other.\textsuperscript{15} On the other hand, gunungan used in puppet shows explains the religious, philosophical message of religious awareness that is not just entertainment.\textsuperscript{16} Even gunungan or tumpeng for Javanese people is also interpreted as a balance system of the universe and spiritual. Based on the symbolic awareness, Javanese people internalize in the practice of Javanese people called as sangkan paraning dumadi.\textsuperscript{17}

From the conception of gunungan above, this paper wants to answer the academic problematics on how the integration of mountain cosmology in the tradition of the Qur’an and Javanese culture. This article aims to explain the meeting point of Islamic and Javanese thought by describing the philosophical views of the Qur’an also the understanding of Javanese people in gunungan rituals. To explain the academic problems above, a few questions about how mountain cosmology is in the Qur’an and Java also how is the function of gunungan in Java tradition.

Methods

This study used qualitative methods in thematic interpretation studies through narrative-descriptive approaches to answer the questions above. The data source is obtained by searching library materials (library research) that discuss mountain topics from an Islamic and cultural perspective. Theoretically, the thematic interpretation studies were conducted through interpretation steps developed by Toshihiko Isutzu into structural-semantic models by focusing on the relation of text, meaning, and meaning’s field through binding terms.\textsuperscript{18} From

\textsuperscript{18}Toshihiko Isuzu, God, and Man in the Qur'an: Semantics of the Qur’anic Weltanschauung (Tokyo: Islamic book Trust, 2008), 11-16 dan 32-42. Toshihiko
various meanings of the mountain, then look for a meeting point in the philosophical view of Javanese people through gunungan traditions are reviewed in an integrative perspective.

Results

Mountain Cosmology and Gunungan: Islamic and Javanese Perspective

Before exploring the side of mountain cosmological in the tradition of revelation, it is worth introducing mountain information from a scientific perspective. Mountain in geological understanding is a large land area in the form of an ocean where the seabed experiences sedimentation accompanied by erosion that compacts the soil and rock layers. Therefore, the arrangement of rocks that tower upwards is caused by tectonic force so that there is folding, faulting, and uplifting. The height of the mountain with tectonic force can reach a height of 600 meters.\(^{19}\) Van Zuidam (1985), quoted by Taufiq, explained that the mountain is a land with a height between 500-10000 meters. Similarly, in Islamic science scientists al Naggar, mountains are defined as a large mass consisting of a series of mountains or mountains that are narrow, with or without peaks, closely related to the position, direction, formation, and age.\(^{20}\)

Based on the definition above, there are two mountain typologies: volcanoes and others that are not fiery. Volcanoes are mountains formed by layers of material coming out of the earth’s stomach characterized by symptoms of explosions or eruptions. The typology of the volcano is known as the Monogenesis volcano and the active period is short, and the shape is smaller than polygenesis.

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\(^{19}\) Dendy Sugono et al., *Kamus Bahasa Indonesia* (Jakarta: Pusat Bahasa Departemen pendidikan Nasional, 2008), 495-496.

volcanoes. Many eruptions form polygenesis Mount, and usually, the distance between one eruption and another is characterized by a relatively long distance of silent time and involves magma-type elements.

However, for Bronto, there was no agreement about what volcano meant. At least he gave an example that for people living in Japan and New Zealand, an active volcano is a mountain that has erupted 50,000 years ago until now. Meanwhile, the mountain that has erupted in the span of 50,000-100,000, has potential reactive, and if beyond the time above, it is considered a volcanic fossil. While active volcanoes in Indonesia is around 127 volcano mountains, either has erupted or do not have solfatara and fumaroles and geothermal.

In Islamic tradition, the terms of the mountain used in the Qur'an are like as Jabal or jibal which means (مَارَّطِعٌ عَنِ الأَرْضِ إِذَا عَظَمَ وَطَالَ) something that rises from the earth’s solid plains and culminates. Another part of the Jabal form is al jiblu (الجبل) which means community as in Qs. Yasin [36]:62. While the characteristics or functions of the mountain are often followed by the term rawasi, which means (ثبت وأصله) to remain, stable or to hit the earth very profoundly. Simply, the mountain is a mound of hard and sturdy layers of rock and a towering peak. The mountain is part of the earth’s surface area consisting of rocks layers and soil that towered over with an average height above 600 meters. Jabal. Jabal (جبال) jibal (جبال) amounts to 33 verses.

The repetition of the mountain’s term in the book of Mu’jam al Mufahras li al Fadzil Qur’an repeats 39 times. Various forms of Jabal based on the formation of the word there are at least two forms of the word mountain, namely plural and singular. In the form of singular Jabal (جبال) amounts to 6 verses and in the form of plural jibal (جبال) amounts to 33 verses.

23 Ibid.
24 Ibid, 195.
amounts to 33 verses. On the other hand, the meanings contained in the
word *Jabal* are very diverse, no less than 26 meanings in the Qur’an.26

The use of the mountain’s term in lafadz *Jabal/jibal* as many as
11 times which the mountain is interpreted by walking or traveling or
moved is illustrated in Qs. Al Kahfi [18]:47, Qs. At Thur [52]: 10, Qs.
An Naba’ [78]: 20 and at Takwir [81]: 3. Furthermore, the mountains
are destroyed on the Day of Resurrection, like in Qs. Thaha [20]: 105-
107, Qs. Al Waqi’ah [56]: 4-6 Qs. Al Muzammil [73]: 14 Qs. Al
Mursalat [77]: 10. Similarly, the formulation of the mountain as feathers
fly, Qs. Al Ma’arif [70]: 8-9 al Qari’ah [101]: 5. In other places, no less
than 17 verses with 16 chapters describe the mountains in the world
inhabited by humans; 7 verses related to the stories of the Prophet Daud
Qs. Al Anbiya’ [21]: 79 Qs. Saba’ [34]: 10 and Sa’d [38]: 18-19 the
clans of prophet Samud who had the expertise to sculpt Qs. Al A’raf [7]:
74 Qs. Al Hijr [15]: 80-82 Qs. Asy Syu’ara [26]: 149 the story of Prophet
Nuh Qs. Al Hud [11]: 42.27 Meanwhile, the meaning of the word *jibal*,
which is called side by side with the earth and sky, is found in the
Makkiyah verses like as; Qs. Maryam [19]: 88-91 Qs. Al-Hajj [22]: 18
al Ahzab [33]: 72 Qs. An Naba’[78]: 6-7 Qs. An Nazi’at [79]: 27-32 Qs.
Al Ghasyiyah [88]: 17-20.

On the other hand, the Qur’an does not only refer to mountains
with the terms *Jabal* or *jibal* but also uses the word *rawasi*, which more
refers to the functional meaning of mountains. The term *rawasi* is the
equivalent of the term *Jabal* which is understood as being fixed, firm,
and strong. The word *rawasi* (رواسى) is more specific than *Jabal* which
is meant as an earth peg, as in its primary meaning, which means to
make a shaking object standstill, and that object is the earth. In the
Qur’an *rawasi* (القبى) in (Qs. Qaaf [50]: 7) means ”Dumping” or putting something that was not there

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before. Also, the mountain is called *al-a'lamas* many as two times. The variety of terms will undoubtedly affect the meaning of each word formation in it. However, in general, the nature of mountains serves as a balance from shocks and maintains the earth’s lithosphere.

Likewise, from the side of the verse, the division of the Makkiyah and Madaniah verses indicates the context of the verses. It is not less than nine verses in the Qur’an which describe mountains with the term *rawasi*, 8 of which are Makkiyah verses such; Qs. Al Hijr [15]:19, Qs. An Nahl [16]:15 Qs. Al anbiya’ [21]: 31 Qs. An Name [27]: 61 Qs. Lukman [31]:10 Qs. Fussilat [41]:10 Qs. Qaf [50]: 7 Qs. Al Mursalat [77]: 27. Meanwhile, one verse includes Madaniah verses like Qs. Ar Ra’du [13]: 3. From the division of Makkiyah and Madinah, there are three verses that have meaning mountains are a gift from Allah to humans by stretching out the earth Qs. Ar Ra’du [13]: 3, Qs. Al Hijr [15]:19 dan Qs. Qaf [50]: 7. Meanwhile, three other verses explain the function of mountains to prevent the earth and everything in it from shaking. Qs. An Nahl [16]:15, Qs. Al anbiya’ [21]: 31, Qs. Lukman [31]:10. The other three last mention mountains without being associated with a phenomenon in the universe contained in Qs. An Name [27]: 61, Qs. Fussilat [41]:10 Qs. Al Mursalat [77]:27.

The use of the term mountain as in the Qur’an has a symbolic meaning in the Javanese tradition; mountains are better known as the term *gunungan*. *Gunungan* is a Javanese tradition that has a spiritual meaning in the awareness of religiosity and philosophy of life in the practice of Javanese life. These symbolic meanings are often found in a series of Javanese traditions, such as in the Greek or *sekaten* event rituals. *Sekaten*, which is marked by *gunungan*, actually wants to show a form of evidence to God’s blessings through religious awareness in the form of tauhid sentences as evidence to God. The term *sekaten* is a public reception for awareness of tauhid evidence, namely *syahadatan*.

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28 Imron, Konsep Gunung Dalam Kitab Al-Jawahir Fi Tafsir Al-Qur’an Al-Karim (Perspektif Sains Moderen), 42.
It can also be found in the Cirebon tradition known as the *Panjang-jimat* tradition, a symbolic sentence from the shahada sentence.\(^{31}\)

Furthermore, we also find the meaning of religiosity in the replica of the Borobudur temple. The mention of its name is also close to the meaning of mountain, namely *budhara* or for Balinese Hindus calling it *beduhur*, which means above or the top. Borobudur's position is geographically flanked by two volcanoes, namely Mount Merapi and Mount Merbabu. Geographically, the area is located between two mountains which is called the area "kedu" which means holy. This is the basis that mountains are not just a natural phenomenon but hold sacred meanings for Javanese people to this day. The meaning of sacredness or purity of the mountain is based on the logic of thinking, which is logical and spiritual in the form of ecological spirituality. This view is relevant to how the Javanese people believe that mountainous areas are fertile land suitable for farming and irrigation from an ecological point of view.\(^{32}\) This fact confirms that holiness is closely related to the ecological meaning that it can be maintained and preserved. Its purpose for human life can sustainably take place.

On the other hand, Borobudur is a mountain representation in the heyday of Hindu-Buddhism, which has a humanitarian cosmology based on three world divisions, namely *Kamadhatu* as the world of desire, *Rupadhatu* as the world of existence, and *Arupadhatu* as the world without existing.\(^{33}\) The three divisions emphasize the spirituality of Javanese society in practicing holiness in everyday life. Humans who pursue the world are called material humans in the lowest position, namely *kamadhatu*. Likewise, humans who leave the world of desire and pursue the position of existence realize that their existence depends on charity and goodness until they reach the peak of *Arupadhatu* as a

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33 Ibid, 179.
stage of self-purity as a spiritual human being close to God and incarnate as a wise man.

**Interrelation of Mountain Cosmology as Religious Awareness of Islam and Java**

Mountain cosmology in an ecological perspective has a meeting point in mountain cosmology and Islamic tradition by calling to the mountain as *ma’an furatan* in Qs. Al Mursalat [77]:27, which means clean water that is beneficial to humans, including protecting the natural ecosystem from shocks to the feasibility of the universe as a place to maintain the continuity of human life needs. Scientifically, fresh water, which comes from the valleys of the mountains, is a process of water vapor that clumps and falls in the crevices of the mountains and flows into rivers, as referred to in Qs. Ar Ra’du [13]: 7. From these benefits, traditional communities living inland or at the foot of the mountains can take advantage of mountain water for various needs ranging from daily to agriculture and the farm.

On the other hand, a mountain is described as a place that is not quiescent but moves like a boat sailing in Qs. An Name [27]: 88. This verse strongly describes the foot of the mountain that goes to the bottom of the earth so that the mountain’s movement is not known. This theory is similar to the theory of gravity. The earth that rotates around the sun remains on its axis because of mountains that provide a proportional balance force. Therefore, the function of mountains in the Qur’an as earth pegs is as revealed in Qs. An Nazi’at [79]: 23 and 33. An Najjar added that this function could also be found in the other nine surahs such Qs. Ar Ra’du [13]: 3, Qs. al Hijr [15]:19, Qs. An Nahl [16]:15, Qs. Al Anbiya’ [21]: 31, Qs. An Name [28]: 61, Qs. Al Lukman [31]:10, Qs. Fussilat [41]:10, Qs. Qaaf [50]: 7, Qs. al Mursalat [77]: 8.34

Furthermore, Najjar also provides information about the meaning of *mahum siyaq* where lafads (الأرض) which means the earth in the hadith above, has three meanings alternately; first, the earth as part of the planet in the solar system, the second the ground of the earth

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as a place to live or live for humans, flora and fauna, third, the highlands, namely the earth-shaking mountains.

It is like the mountains in the cosmology of the Qur’an, which clearly explain their function as the continuity of earth and human life, which also can be found in Javanese cosmological concepts. The mountain for the Javanese people explains the cosmological function of being micro-cosmic, in the middle of macro-cosmic survival. This cosmic awareness is without cause but crosses the limits of human consciousness and religiosity in the practice of parenting dumadi, namely the attitude of unity and mutual care. Between nature and humans and a view of life about paworing kawula, the Javanese people believe in the order of nature as a manifestation of God’s power.

The mountain for the Javanese is perceived as a sacred place as well as explaining the essential reflection of humanity through physical, soul, and spiritual awareness. It is not only that, from the side of the Javanese tradition, it has various religious symbols for self-awareness as seen in the tumpeng tradition, which functions as a ritual medium for various thanksgiving or slametan activities. The aim of the slametan for the Javanese people is transcendent communication to offer prayers as a confession of God on the one hand and the balance of the universe.  

This form of piety firmly becomes the factual basis of the interrelation model of Islam and Javanese culture as religious ethics from the syncretic model of religion. Although the perception of syncretic Islam is very problematic to see the slametan tradition as a


people’s belief at least this is an arena for the Javanese to continue the system of forms of social harmony and religious tolerance. At least Ricklefs’s analysis becomes a meeting point for the reconciliation of Islam and Java that the contemporary Javanese Muslims and the Javanese are getting stronger even though they still maintain old traditions and beliefs. Tumpeng structures are cone-shaped and circular and have two sides of meaning. The lower circle is a form of togetherness, cooperation, or in Islam, the congregation until the end, which is tapered, is a form of one-being to God. This meaning is relevant if tumpeng is used as a medium of thanksgiving activities, of course, with the hope of salvation from God.

The tradition of tumpeng, which is close to its meaning in the Java gunungan tradition, can historically be found in the Hindu tradition of the I to XIV centuries, which states that mountains in Hinduism are the dwelling places for the holy gods, known as Ardi Dewata or holy places which are called Kaja in Hindu society, Bali. Thus tumpeng in the Javanese tradition is not limited to a matter of tradition but structurally has a spatial layout. The most important is the spiritual side of the relationship, meaning between man and God.

It is not much different from the prophetic treatise in the Islamic tradition; the function of mountains contains a profound spiritual message as the prophetic events that occur. For example, the hills of shafa and Marwa in the pilgrimage rites illustrate Sitti Hajar’s struggle, sincerity, and optimism in finding water. Likewise, with the dialogue of the prophet Musa on the rocky hills of Mount Sinai and Muhammad’s

The Interrelation of Islamic and Javanese Spirituality in The Gunungan Tradition

In a deeper form of appreciation, the meeting between the history and traditions of Islam and Java is very close to building spirituality over the essence and purpose of life. This is evident, for example, in internalizing mountains as the nature of Allah’s rububiyyah, which is infused as *kauniyah* worship.\(^{40}\) in the puppet stage known as *kayon*, its term Kawi language is close to the meaning of *hayyun*, which means life or the origin of life. The beginning of the *kayon* or *hay un* in the puppet is the beginning of life play that is performed. Apart from that, artistically caricature images in *kayon* containing the world's reality through various images from trees to animals are illustrations of mountain ecosystem life that need to be properly maintained as the upright *kayon* at the end puppet.\(^{41}\) This is evidence that the structure of the *gunungan* in the puppet dimension unites worldly dimensions and spirituality as a form of theological piety in the *maqashid syari’ah* structure as a representation of *hifdzul bi’ah* in Islam.

Those are not enough; the interrelation of Islam and Javanese culture also is getting stronger in the *Garebeg* or *gunungan* tradition at the momentum of the Islamic holiday as a part of social communication and transcendental piety at the same time. The *Greek* ceremony is an activity of social communication and ritual that brings together one another on the one hand and in the form of gratitude to ask for safety

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and peace on the other. Here the Greek tradition is not limited to the traditions of the Javanese people but has become an important part of the Islam syiar.\textsuperscript{42} For example, the Surakarta gerebek celebration has become an annual event to celebrate the prophet Muhammad’s birth.\textsuperscript{43} So it is not surprising when elements of Islamic teachings internalize in the traditions of Javanese society to form a genuinely unique Islamic ritual model that is different from the form of Islamic acculturation in other places such as Malay Islam in general.\textsuperscript{44} For example, in the puppet stage, it is seen in the wayang sadat gunungan, which includes Islamic values as a means of da’wah and wisdom in conveying (tabligh).\textsuperscript{45} This is, of course, relevant in the core of the spirit of Amma’ruf nahi mungkar teachings, which is not only good in terms of material but the method used is also recognized and familiar in the society.

The view above can be an essential basis that the interrelation of Islamic tradition and Javanese culture in mountain cosmology or gunungan can form a more diverse face of Islam in terms of Javanese Islam or Indonesian Islam in social piety and rituals that are known in Javanese customs for broader social interests.\textsuperscript{46} Furthermore, although the globalization of reformist Islam in Indonesia is not becoming


orthodox Islam with increasingly diverse spiritual practices, this is a sign.\textsuperscript{47} Even the \textit{gunungan} tradition finds role models as facilitators to connect traditional ideological messages with broader interests.\textsuperscript{48} Therefore, in Suwito’s view, the characteristics of Javanese Islam can be characterized by two things, namely the uniqueness of its rituals and the philosophy of its meaning.\textsuperscript{49} Various views emphasize very close interrelation of Islam and Javanese culture in principle, which converge on the concept of humanity both in terms of social and spiritual communication and the function of the ecosystem for the balance of the universe.

\textbf{Conclusion}

The relationship between Islam and Java in mountain cosmology has a close meaning philosophically as a social and spiritual value system. Mount in the scientific perspective of the Qur’an is a sign system (\textit{kauniyah}) to represent the existence and oneness of God as the Javanese people interpret it as a sacred symbolic medium to embody a sense of servitude to God through the tradition of gratitude to ask for peace and safety.

The closeness of Islam and culture, especially in the Javanese tradition, should be based on adaptative awareness, tolerance, and mutual affirmation to broadcast Islamic teachings through local awareness of the society. It is grounded and a medium for spiritual cultivation to make human beings wise and steady as the philosophy of


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the mountain with a variety of meanings. So Islam and tradition should be side by side to become adhesive of ummah.

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