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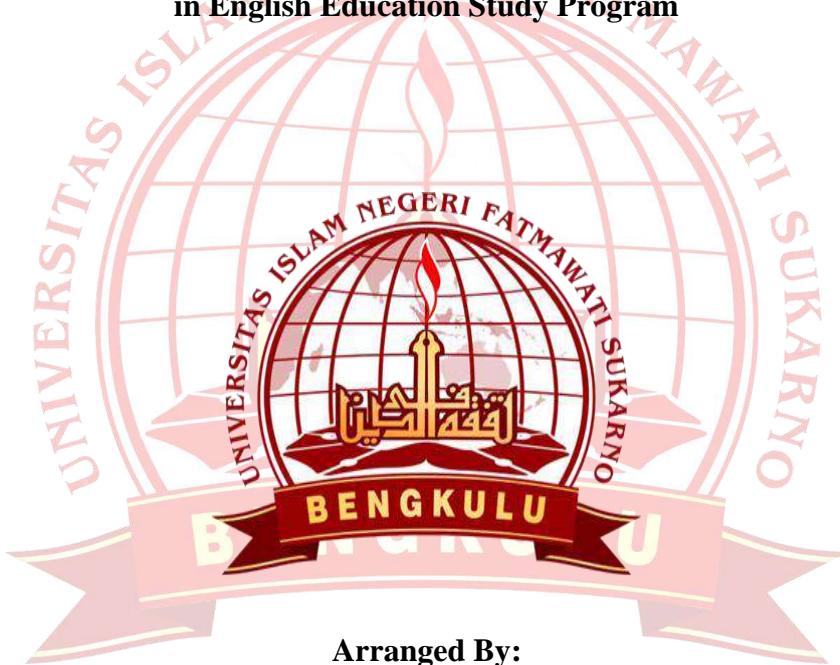
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## **ABSTRACT**

This research examines the implementation of Merdeka Curriculum in teaching English at SMPN 2 Bengkulu Selatan using a qualitative descriptive method. The focus of this research is on understanding the processes, challenges, and strategies in implementing a curriculum that emphasizes educational diversity and flexibility. Results from observations, interviews, and documentation reveal that SMPN 2 Bengkulu Selatan has successfully integrated the Merdeka Curriculum, despite some obstacles. Teacher preparation is an important key, where English teachers study curriculum regulations, analyze learning outcomes, prepare learning tools, and understand the principles of Merdeka Curriculum assessment. This research also highlights the implementation of the curriculum in classroom activities as well as the assessment methods used, namely diagnostic, formative, and summative assessments, which are tailored to students' competencies and needs. Despite the challenges, the Merdeka Curriculum offers a flexible and holistic approach to education, and encourages the development of students' cognitive, affective, and psychomotor skills in a democratic learning environment.

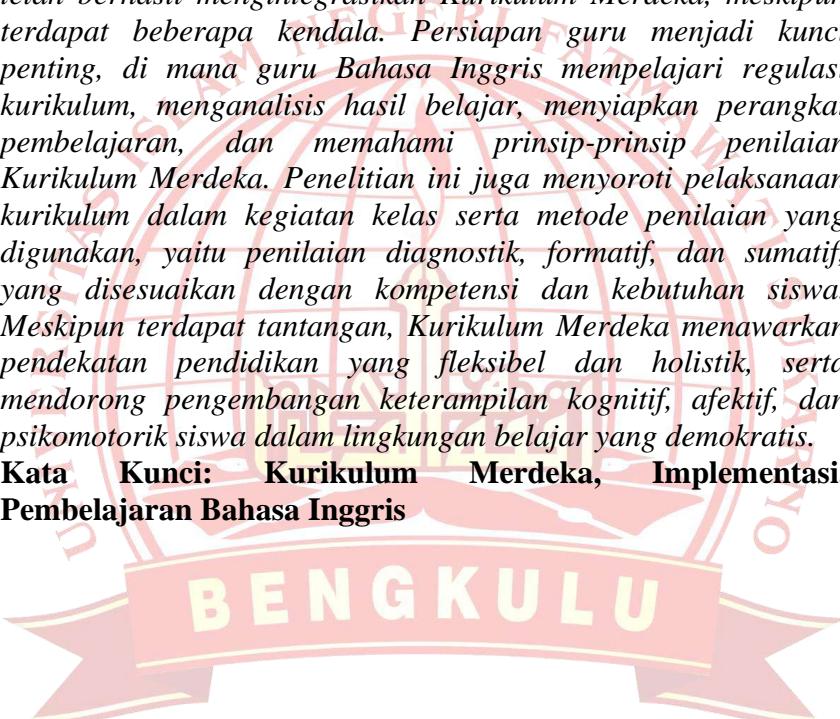
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*Penelitian ini mengkaji implementasi Kurikulum Merdeka dalam pengajaran Bahasa Inggris di SMPN 2 Bengkulu Selatan dengan menggunakan metode deskriptif kualitatif. Fokus penelitian ini adalah memahami proses, tantangan, dan strategi dalam penerapan kurikulum yang menekankan keragaman dan fleksibilitas pendidikan. Hasil dari observasi, wawancara, dan dokumentasi mengungkapkan bahwa SMPN 2 Bengkulu Selatan telah berhasil mengintegrasikan Kurikulum Merdeka, meskipun terdapat beberapa kendala. Persiapan guru menjadi kunci penting, di mana guru Bahasa Inggris mempelajari regulasi kurikulum, menganalisis hasil belajar, menyiapkan perangkat pembelajaran, dan memahami prinsip-prinsip penilaian Kurikulum Merdeka. Penelitian ini juga menyoroti pelaksanaan kurikulum dalam kegiatan kelas serta metode penilaian yang digunakan, yaitu penilaian diagnostik, formatif, dan sumatif, yang disesuaikan dengan kompetensi dan kebutuhan siswa. Meskipun terdapat tantangan, Kurikulum Merdeka menawarkan pendekatan pendidikan yang fleksibel dan holistik, serta mendorong pengembangan keterampilan kognitif, afektif, dan psikomotorik siswa dalam lingkungan belajar yang demokratis.*

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2. "Maka sesungguhnya beserta kesulitan ada kemudahan." (QS. Al-Insyirah :5).
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