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Pancasila and Global Constitutionalism : Preserving Local Values in the Global Era

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Abstract

In today's era of globalization, many foreign cultures have entered Indonesia. As citizens, it is very important to filter these influences so that they do not conflict with the values of Pancasila. This does not mean closing ourselves off from foreign cultures, but as the foundation of the state, Pancasila plays a very important role in social balance. With its five principles emphasizing Godliness, Humanity, Unity, Democracy, and Social Justice, it is able to serve as a bridge between global values and local wisdom. This article discusses the role of Pancasila as the foundation of the Indonesian state in the context of global constitutionalism, which serves as a moral guide and constitutional foundation that supports democratic governance while maintaining Indonesia's cultural identity and demonstrating how Pancasila is able to preserve national values without closing itself off from global developments.

Keywords : *Pancasila, Globalization, Constitutionalism, Local Wisdom..*

A. Introduction

Pancasila is a solid foundation and guideline for the Indonesian people in building a structured nation and state since its inception in 1945. The values contained therein, namely belief in God, humanity, unity, democracy, and justice, are not only a legal foundation, but also the character of the Indonesian nation that is upheld by every citizen. These values unite the Indonesian people, encouraging them to help one another and uphold the Unitary State of the Republic of Indonesia (Pancasila & Era, 2025).

However, rapid technological developments in the present era, the influx of unlimited information, and the blending of foreign cultures have created challenges for the values of Pancasila. Changes in people's mindsets, cultures that are not in harmony with the values of Pancasila, and the rise of individualism, which can slowly erode nationalism and patriotism, are some of the impacts of globalization (Globalisasi et al., n.d.).

This difference can be felt, especially among the younger generation, as seen in current phenomena such as a lack of love for the country, indifference to national issues, spreading inappropriate content on social media, and a lack of social awareness.

The reason for writing this is because we see the current state of affairs, in which the influence of globalization on Indonesian society has spread widely, from culture, thinking, social behavior, and lifestyle, causing many Indonesians to forget their national identity, resulting in a decline in the application of Pancasila values. Therefore, it is important to understand and explore the meaning of Pancasila, not only as a symbol, but as a guideline for the nation that can be used as a reference in the current era of development (Pancasila & Era, 2025).

This article aims to examine the role of Pancasila in preserving local values in the global era, so that Indonesians can learn, understand, and apply the true meaning of Pancasila as a guideline for life in facing the challenges of globalization without having to cut themselves off from globalization, while still not forgetting their national identity (Pancasila & Era, 2025).

B. Perserving Local Values In The Global Era

Globalization is a process that makes the world seem borderless through the development of technology, communication, and human mobility. Many cultures, economic systems, technologies, and ideologies have entered Indonesian society through the process of globalization. This condition certainly has a positive impact, namely the

advancement of science and technology, but it also poses a risk to the loss of Indonesian cultural identity, the fading of local values, and the increase in moral and social crises in Indonesia (Syakhsiyyah & Safitri, 2025). In this condition, the role of Pancasila is very important in efforts to preserve and maintain local values in the global era (Pancasila & Era, 2025).

Pancasila is not just a symbol, but in its position as an open ideology that can adapt to the times without losing its inherent values (Siregar et al., 2024). This allows Pancasila to serve as a filter for screening out global influences that are not in line with the nation's identity, while also serving as a foundation for building the personality and character of society and upholding the values of unity and humanity.

Thus, Pancasila is very important in efforts to preserve and protect local values in the global era, and can provide the community with an understanding of the meaning of Pancasila as a guideline for filtering the events of the times and maintaining local cultural identity. The following are the roles of Pancasila in the global era:

1. *Pancasila as a filter for foreign culture*

In the era of globalization, foreign cultures can easily enter Indonesia through various media, such as social media, films, and music. This certainly has a positive impact, namely it can bring progress to Indonesia, but it also has a negative impact, namely it can change lifestyles, habits, and also erode local cultural values, such as the loss of attitude in social media by spreading inaccurate information, which can increase moral and social crises in life (Syakhsiyyah & Safitri, 2025). Therefore, the community needs to know that Pancasila can be used as a filter for globalization. In other words, we can still accept the influx of foreign cultures, but we must remain in harmony with local values without losing our national identity

2. *Pancasila as national identity*

Pancasila plays an important role in maintaining the nation's identity amid the rapid pace of globalization. The influx of foreign cultures through technological media and lifestyles poses a unique challenge for Indonesian society. Without a strong foundation, Indonesians, especially the younger generation, can easily be swept away by globalization and follow foreign trends. The values of Pancasila, namely belief in God, humanity, unity, deliberation, and justice, can

serve as guidelines for the nation, so that the people uphold local values such as mutual cooperation, politeness, tolerance, and love for the country. This can strengthen the character of the nation and prevent the fading of culture even though we are open to the developments of the times (Suradi, 2018).

3. *Pancasila as a unifying force for the nation*

With Indonesia's diverse cultural background, Pancasila can unite the Indonesian people so that they are not divided by outside influences. This is in line with the application of Pancasila, the third principle of Indonesian Unity. By applying this, Indonesia will be stronger in facing the developments of the times.

4. *Pancasila as a driver of love for local products*

In this case, Pancasila can serve as a channel for nationalism so that people are more proud of domestic products and reduce their use of foreign products, thereby enhancing local essence.

5. *Pancasila as the basis for policy making*

The government can formulate policies related to local values and national interests based on the values of Pancasila. Through this, the preservation of local values can be maintained, as there are already policies in place, so the community tends to comply more, and as a result, local values remain intact in the current era of globalization.

From the forms of roles mentioned above, it is hoped that the values of Pancasila will not only be seen as state ideology, but can also become part of the nation's culture, and that society can become accustomed to applying Pancasila in their daily lives, thereby strengthening the nation's character and enabling it to face the rapid pace of globalization.

C. Pancasila In Facing The Challenges Of Globalization

Globalization has influenced the way people, especially the younger generation, view local cultural values, which are beginning to be displaced by foreign cultures. One of the effects of this is an increase in individualism within society. This value is in stark contrast to the value of mutual cooperation (Zahro et al., 2024).

In today's global era, the most important challenge in facing the fierce currents of globalization is to maintain the relevance of Pancasila

in the midst of rapid social change. Indonesian society is now highly connected to global information that is easily accessible through the internet, therefore extra efforts are needed to maintain the values of Pancasila so that they remain relevant and competitive amid the currents of globalization (Mihit, 2023).

According to (Evaluasi et al., 2021), the five principles that can be applied to face the challenges of globalization are as follows:

- a. Practice religion and worship according to one's faith with devotion to God. Everyone has the right to choose and practice their religion, so as fellow Indonesian citizens, we should be tolerant of other people's beliefs.
- b. Respect differences in society and behave politely, courteously, and with dignity in various situations.
- c. Be aware that Indonesia is one country and maintain a love for the country, unity, and social cohesion.
- d. Monitor and ensure that the government implements people's sovereignty, prioritizing joint decision-making to resolve issues.
- e. Always strive to help those in need, respect the decisions of others, and have the courage to stand up for justice.

The above explanation can help Indonesians apply the roles and values contained in Pancasila in their daily lives so that they can face the challenges of globalization wisely without abandoning Indonesian local values.

D. Conclusion

Based on the results of the discussion on the importance of preserving local values in this global era, it can be concluded that Pancasila can play a role in preserving and maintaining local values, whether as a filter for foreign cultures, as a national identity, as a unifying force for the nation, as an incentive to love local products, or as a basis for policy-making. The implementation of the values contained in Pancasila in everyday life is also very important to foster a sense of nationalism that will continue to be strong if applied in the daily lives of the Indonesian people. All of these roles are very important and have their own roles in preserving and maintaining local values in the global era without having to be closed to the changes of the times and making the

Indonesian people stronger in facing the challenges and rapid flow of globalization.

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