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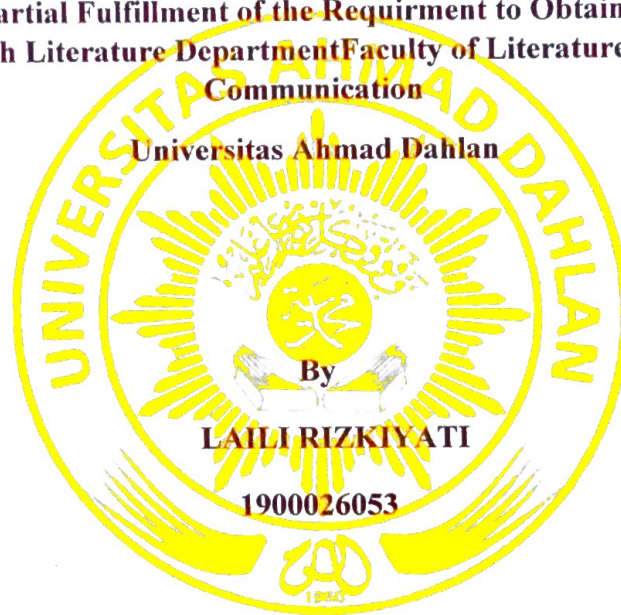
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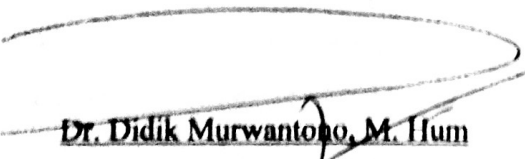
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"Do everything with a good heart and expecting nothing in return, and you will never be disappointed"

-Anonymous-

“Sometimes whether you believe or not is more important than whether it is real or not”

-The Sound Of Magic-

“The first step is always the hardest but once you take your first step, things will get easier from then on”

-It's Okay To Not Be Okay-

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ABSTRACT

The United States is one of the countries with the largest population and strongest economy in the world. In 2020, the world was shocked by the presence of a virus that originated in Wuhan, China. Almost all countries in the world are affected by this epidemic, including America. President Donald Trump also played a big role in the spread of Covid-19 in the United States, due to his slow handling. Ignoring warnings from the CDC and taking this virus lightly has made the United States the country with the highest spread rate and most deaths. Since this pandemic, rates of depression and domestic violence in America have increased drastically. Apart from that, inequality is increasing and the issue of racism is becoming more widespread. Then the impact of Covid-19 on the economy was also felt by American citizens. Many business actors, both large and small, have been forced to reduce employees or even close their businesses.

This research is under the auspices of American Studies which is supported by an interdisciplinary approach to problem solving using an integrated review of various relevant scientific perspectives. The main data in this research was taken from the Chanel YouTube Washington post with the title An Inside Look at Trump's Failed Coronavirus Response | America's Pandemic. Secondary data was taken from interviews on internet sources related to the subject matter. This research focuses on conservative theory and modern theory of capitalism.

Overall, the policies taken by Donald Trump are still not appropriate, because many problems are still unresolved, economic policies during the pandemic did not have a significant impact but were sufficient to overcome the problems in the short term.

Keywords: *Covid-19, Pandemic, Donal Trump, Economic*

INTISARI

Amerika Serikat merupakan salah satu negara dengan populasi terbesar dan perekonomian terkuat di dunia. Pada tahun 2020, dunia dikejutkan dengan hadirnya virus yang berasal dari Wuhan, China. Hampir seluruh negara di dunia terkena dampak epidemi ini, termasuk Amerika Serikat. Presiden Donald Trump juga berperan besar dalam penyebaran Covid-19 di Amerika Serikat, karena lambatnya penanganannya. Mengabaikan peringatan dari CDC dan menganggap enteng virus ini telah menjadikan Amerika Serikat sebagai negara dengan tingkat penyebaran tertinggi dan kematian terbanyak. Sejak pandemi ini, tingkat depresi dan kekerasan dalam rumah tangga di Amerika meningkat drastis. Selain itu, kesenjangan semakin meningkat dan isu rasisme semakin meluas. Kemudian dampak Covid-19 terhadap perekonomian juga dirasakan oleh warga Amerika. Banyak pelaku usaha, baik besar maupun kecil, terpaksa mengurangi karyawan atau bahkan menutup usahanya.

Penelitian ini berada di bawah naungan American Studies yang didukung oleh pendekatan interdisipliner dalam pemecahan masalah dengan menggunakan tinjauan terpadu dari berbagai perspektif keilmuan yang relevan. Data utama dalam penelitian ini diambil dari postingan Chanel YouTube Washington dengan judul *An Inside Look at Trump's Failed Coronavirus Response | Pandemi Amerika*. Data sekunder diambil dari wawancara pada sumber internet yang berkaitan dengan pokok bahasan. Penelitian ini berfokus pada teori konservatif dan teori kapitalisme modern.

Secara keseluruhan kebijakan yang diambil oleh Donald Trump masih belum tepat, karena banyak permasalahan yang masih belum terselesaikan. Kebijakan ekonomi pada masa pandemi tidak memberikan dampak yang signifikan namun cukup untuk mengatasi permasalahan dalam jangka pendek.

Kata Kunci: Covid-19, Pandemi, Donald Trump, Ekonomi