Immanent and Transcendental Belief of Fisherman Community

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ABSTRACT This paper aims to reveal the process of syncretization between immanent aspects and transcendental beliefs that exist in fishing communities, especially in Bontosua Island. The data were collected from the Fishermen using in-depth interview and observation techniques of their daily activities. The data obtained were categorized, reduced, analyzed and interpreted using phenomenological approach. The results indicate that the syncretization between immanent aspects in the form of animistic and dynamistic beliefs and Islam is manifested in incantation ritual using local languages (Buginese and Makassarese) and the language of Qur’an. Both of them are used before leaving for the sea, at the time of catching fish, and during particular rituals.