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# Naḥw Studies in Jambi: Exploration of Local Manuscripts on its Origin and Existence

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Abstract. The Arabic language, particularly nahw (syntax), is considered highly important to the Malay people, including those in Jambi. However, the study of nahw in the manuscripts available in Jambi remains very limited. This article explores the study of nahw in Jambi by mapping nahw manuscripts housed in the Siginjei Museum and the Gentala Arsy Museum in Jambi. This research employs a facsimile text edition approach to the nahw manuscripts with registration numbers 2505, 2539, 2514, 2540, and 2160. The findings reveal that the nahw manuscripts in the collections of the Siginjei and Gentala Arsy Museums in Jambi have a strong connection with nahw studies in the Middle East. The nahw manuscripts in Jambi are not works of Jambi scholars (ulama), but were brought by ulama from outside Jambi, especially from Mecca, such as Sayyid 'Abdullāh Dahlān who arrived in 1923, Shaykh Sa'īd Yamanī in 1924, and others who taught at Madrasah Nurul Iman. Additionally, there are manuscripts that were brought from Palembang to Jambi. The nahw manuscripts in Jambi generally contain and record the content of al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah by 'Abd al-Qāhir al-Jurjānī. However, the book is not used as a nahw textbook in the pesantren in Jambi.

**Keyword:** Naḥw; Kitāb al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah; Manuscripts; Jambi.

Abstrak. Ilmu bahasa Arah, naḥw khususnya, dianggap sangat penting bagi orang Melayu, termasuk Jambi. Namun kajian ilmu nahwu dalam manuskrip yang ada di Jambi masih sangat minim. Artikel ini menelusuri kajian naḥw di Jambi melalui pemetaan manuskrip Nahwu yang ada di Museum Siginjei dan Museum Gentala Arsy Jambi. Penelitian ini menggunakan edisi teks faksimili terhadap manuskrip naḥw dengan nomor registrasi 2505, 2539, 2514, 2540, and 2160 dan melakukan wawancara dengan sejumlah pengurus pondok pesantren. Dari hasil penelusuran diketahui bahwa manuskrip naḥw koleksi Museum Siginjei dan Gentala Arsy Jambi memiliki hubungan yang kuat dengan kajian naḥw Timur Tengah. Manuskrip naḥw yang ada di Jambi bukan merupakan karya ulama Jambi, melainkan dibawa oleh ulama dari luar Jambi, khususnya dari Mekkah, seperti Sayyid 'Abdullāh Dahlān yang datang pada tahun 1923, Shaykh Sa'īd Yamanī pada tahun 1924, dan lainnya yang mengajar di Madrasah Nurul Iman. Selain itu, ada juga manuskrip yang dibawa dari Palembang ke Jambi. Manuskrip naḥw di Jambi umumnya banyak memuat dan mencatatkan isi dari kitah al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah

karya 'Abd al-Qāhir al-Jurjānī. Namun, kitab tersebut tidak digunakan sebagai kitab nahwu di pesantren-pesantren yang ada di Jambi.

Kata kunci: Naḥw; Kitāb al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah; Manuskrip; Jambi

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Arabic syntax (naḥw) became one of the popular disciplines in the Malay world during the 19th and 20th centuries. According to Martin van Bruinessen (1995), naḥw, as a branch of traditional Arabic grammar, was widely studied in Indonesian pesantren (Islamic boarding schools). This argument is further supported by the Dayah Tanoh Abee collection, which shows that there are numerous manuscripts on naḥw in the Nusantara region (2010). In the database of Thesaurus of Indonesian Islamic Manuscripts by the Center for Research and Development of Religious Literatures and Heritages, Indonesian Ministry of Religious Affairs (n.d.), several titles of Nahw manuscripts circulating in Indonesia are mentioned, such as Matn al-Ājurrūmīyah by al-Ṣanhājī (Ibn Ājurrūm), al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah by 'Abd al-Qāhir al-Jurjānī, and several other well-known naḥw texts.

The study of classical *naḥw* developed rapidly in Jambi, as evidenced by the many *naḥw* manuscripts preserved in museums. This indicates that *naḥw* became one of the main areas of study for the people of Jambi, alongside the sciences of *tawḥūd*, *fiqh*, and Islamic law. The growth of *naḥw* studies in Jambi is also related to the establishment of longstanding pesantren across the river from the city of Jambi, such as Madrasah Nurul Iman and other pesantren in Jambi Province, which include *naḥw* as part of their curriculum. To facilitate knowledge transfer to students (santri), scholars (ulama) authored various *naḥw* texts. In addition, many ulama from outside Jambi, particularly from Mecca, such as Sayyid 'Abdullāh Dahlān, who arrived in 1923, and Shaykh Saʿīd Yamanī, who came in 1924, taught at Madrasah Nurul Iman. These ulama are believed to have brought *naḥw* manuscripts now held by the community and the Museum Negeri Jambi. Through these ulama, intellectual exchange in *naḥw* studies took place between the ulama of Jambi and their teachers in the Middle East.

Research on *naḥw* studies in Indonesia has been widely conducted, including by Amer Hudhaifah Hamzah and Ahmad Arifin bin Sapar (2019),

who discuss the spread of *naḥw* manuscripts of *al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah* across the Nusantara. They argue that the dissemination of *al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah* in the region occurred because it was brought back by Malay students who had studied the work in the Arab world in the 11th century H/17th century AD. M. Afrizal El Adzim Syahputra (2019) wrote about a manuscript containing verses of *naẓm* on *naḥw* in Javanese, written by an ulama from Trenggalek. Zamri Arifin and Shuhaida Mohd Mokhtar (2011) also discuss the manuscript *al-Thimār al-Shahīyah* by Sheikh Wan Ahmad al-Fatani, which is intricately related to *naḥw* studies. According to these authors, these manuscripts have made significant contributions to the study of Arabic *naḥw* from the past to the present. Zakiyah (2017) notes that there are more than 107 texts in 107 digitized manuscripts in Sumenep, Madura, as some of these manuscripts are compilations of texts, not just a single text.

Research on works by ulama from Jambi has also been written by Muhammad Rosadi (2014), who found that around 35 books were written by ulama from Jambi. Research on ulama from Jambi has also been conducted by Muhammad Khozy et al. (2021) on the figure of Tuan Guru Hasan bin Anang Yahya, a prominent ulama from Jambi. Meanwhile, an article about Jambi manuscripts, written by Ali Muzakir (2019) *Quo Vadis Kajian Manuskrip Jambi*, states that Jambi manuscripts emerged alongside the spread of Islam in Jambi. The close relationship between Jambi and Palembang also influenced the productivity of manuscripts in Jambi.

A study on another manuscript by an ulama from Jambi was carried out by Rasidin (2007), concerning the manuscript *Qurrat al-'Ayn al-Fard al-'Ayn* written by Muhammad Zein bin Abdul Rauf al-Jambi al-Ash'arī al-Shafi'ī al-Naqshabandī. Other research related to works by ulama from Jambi was carried out by Mhd. Rasidin and Oga Satria (2020) on the works of the ulama from Kerinci, K.H. Muhammad Burkan Saleh (1912-2010). The research findings show that the manuscripts by K.H. Muhammad Burkan Saleh were written using Arabic and Malay Arabic script, with various themes including *'ilm al-falak* (astronomy), *azimat* (charms), and others.

Philological and historical studies of *naḥw* manuscripts by ulama from Jambi have not been widely conducted. This study will focus on the scholarly network between ulama from the Middle East and ulama from Jambi in the

study of *naḥw*. The relationship between Middle Eastern scholars and the manuscripts in Jambi is evident from the influence of the Middle Eastern scholar Al-Jurjani, whose work *al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah* had a significant impact on the *naḥw* manuscripts in Jambi. Additionally, there has been no research conducted on the influence of Middle Eastern scholars' works on the *naḥw* works of ulama in Jambi, even though *naḥw* studies in Jambi are inseparable from *naḥw* studies in the Middle East, with diverse perspectives and varying school of thought (*madhhab*) tendencies.

This research uses the philological method. The initial step in philological research is to trace the *naḥw* manuscripts available at the Siginjei Museum and the Gentala Arsy Museum in Jambi City. Then, manuscripts with registration numbers 2505, 2539, 2514, 2540, and 2160 were selected. The next step is to inventory the manuscripts, describe them, compare the manuscripts and the texts, and perform manuscript editing using a facsimile edition of the *naḥw* manuscripts with the aim of presenting these manuscripts in digital form that contains information about past societies.

This research utilized editing on the facsimile edition, reproducing it through modern methods (printed from digital media transfer using a digital camera). (Fathurahman, 2010). The text was left in its original form, with an introduction, commentary, and necessary analysis added. Interviews were also used to obtain direct information (Suprayogo & Tobroni, 2003). Thus, the manuscript texts found at the Siginjai Museum and Gentala Arsy Museum with registration numbers 2505, 2539, 2514, 2540, and 2160 were edited by presenting the texts as they are through manuscript digitization using cameras. Each manuscript was photographed with a camera, producing a digital edition of the manuscript. The *naḥw* manuscript texts that have been described will be analyzed by comparing the contents of the manuscripts with classical *nahw* books.

In addition to philological studies, this research also employs field research methods by collecting data through interviews related to naḥw studies in Jambi. These interviews were conducted with pesantren administrators, museum staff, and academics in higher education to uncover the origins of the manuscripts and their existence in Jambi.

#### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

## Nahw Manuscripts in Jambi

Manuscripts as scholarly heritage need to be preserved and utilized as research sources by scholars (Waley, 2018). These manuscripts contain various fields of knowledge, including history, religious studies such as Sufism, Islamic jurisprudence (fiqh), Quranic exegesis (tafsīr), and others, as well as language studies like Arabic syntax (naḥw). Preservation efforts for these manuscripts have been carried out by museums as institutions that safeguard historical heritage. Based on observations and research on the manuscripts at the Siginjei Museum and Gentala Arsy Museum in Kota Jambi, several manuscript collections were found. From the study of Arabic grammar manuscripts, it was found that there are four Arabic grammar manuscripts in the Siginjei Museum and two manuscripts in the Gentala Arsy Museum.

The Siginjei Museum in Jambi is located on Jalan Jenderal Urip Sumoharjo, Sungai Putri, Telanaipura, Kota Jambi. This museum was built by the Governor of Jambi, Masjchun Sofwan, on February 18, 1981, and was inaugurated by the Minister of Education and Culture, Fuad Hassan, on June 6, 1988. The museum's name has changed three times, starting with the name Museum Negeri Provinsi Jambi. With the enactment of Law No. 22 of 1999 on regional autonomy, the museum's name was changed to Museum Negeri Jambi. Then, in accordance with Regional Regulation No. 26 of 2012, dated June 12, 2012, the museum's name was changed once again to Museum Siginjei Jambi, which was officially inaugurated by the Governor on October 30, 2012.

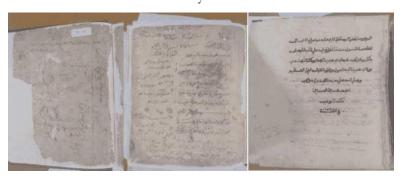
An examination of four manuscript of *naḥw* at the Siginjei Museum, with registration numbers 2505, 2539, 2514, 2540, and 2160, reveals that these manuscripts contain copies of *naḥw* books authored by Middle Eastern scholars. The manuscript with registration number 2505 and inventory number 07.56 is one of the *naḥw* manuscripts written using Chinese ink in red and black. This work is a summary (*mukhtaṣar*) of the book *al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah* by 'Abd al-Qāhir al-Jurjānī.

Picture 1. A manuscript with registration number 2505 and inventory number 07.56



The work with registration number 2514 and inventory number 07.65 has a cover made of brown animal leather and was written by Shaykh Uthmān, Tāha, and H. Dikwy Ibn Kuli'ah Madjid in the year 1288 H. This manuscript provides explanations on the sciences of *naḥw* and *Ṣarf*, written in Arabic script and language, with small notes in Malay Arabic. This manuscript uses red and black Chinese ink.

Picture 2. A manuscript with registration number 2514 and inventory number 07.65



Meanwhile, the manuscript with registration number 2540 and inventory number 07.70 was handwritten by 'Alī Sa'd al-Tamīmī in Arabic using Arabic script. The first page of the manuscript is slightly torn in the

middle, and the front cover or binding is missing. The manuscript was written in black and red ink, with an average of seven lines per page.

Picture 3. A manuscript with registration number 2540 and inventory number 07.70



The manuscript with inventory number 2539 and registration number 07.69 was also written using red and black Chinese ink by H. Abu Bakar in 1287 H. It is written in Malay Arabic. The condition of the manuscript is poor, with dimensions of 21 cm in length and 17.5 cm in width. This manuscript, which has a cover made of brown animal skin, contains grammatical rules in Arabic.

Picture 4. A manuscript with registration number 2359 and inventory number 07.69



Only two manuscript collections of *naḥw* books were found at the Museum Gentala Arasy in Jambi, which is located in the tourist area of the Gentala Arasy Bridge. The bridge stands at a height of 20-30 meters above the surface of the Batanghari River (at the average current), and is vehicle-

free. The bridge has a length of 532 meters and a width of 4.5 meters. The two manuscripts are registered under inventory number 07.56 and 07.65.

The manuscript with the inventory number 07.56 was written in the 19th century, using *daluang* paper and red and black Chinese ink, with Arabic script in the Arabic language. Each page contains notes (explanations), and this manuscript has no cover, containing material on Arabic syntax (*naḥn*). A thorough study of this manuscript reveals that it contains several different Arabic grammar writings, each written in different scripts, namely:

First, a writing titled al-'Awāmil fī al-Naḥw. The text begins with the Basmalah and continues with a discussion on al-'awāmil fī al-naḥw, which refers to the grammatical factors or influences that govern the structure of a sentence, particularly how words are affected by or interact with other words in terms of case endings (i'rāb) and syntactical relationships. This book has a structure similar to the beginning of the book al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah, which discusses al-'awāmil fī al-naḥw divided into two categories: verbal or literal factors (lafzīyah) and meaning-based or conceptual factors (ma'nawīyah). Lafzīyah itself is divided into two, namely heard or traditional factors (simā'īyah) and analogical or deductive factors (qiyāsīyah). Simā'īyah consists of 91 'āmil, while qiyāsīyah includes 7 'amil. Meanwhile, ma'nawīyah has 2 'āmil. In total, there are 100 'āmil (al-Jurjānī, 2009). It should be noted that 'āmil in Arabic grammar refers to something that causes a grammatical change in a word based on its position or role in a sentence (al-Ghalāyaynī, 1993).

Picture 5. A manuscript with registration number 2505 and inventory number 07.56



Second, a work titled *Damīr*. In *naḥw*, *ḍamīr* refers to a **pronoun**, which is a word used to replace a noun in a sentence. This section discusses about

the division of pronoun (*ism ḍamīr*) into attached or connected pronouns (ḍamīr muttaṣil), detached or separate pronouns (ḍamīr munfaṣil), and implicit or hidden pronouns (ḍamīr mustatir) (al-Ghalāyaynī, 1993, pp. 115-124).

Picture 6. A manuscript with registration number 2505 and inventory number 07.56



Picture 7. A manuscript with registration number 2514



The manuscript with the inventory code 07.065 was handwritten in the 19th century, on daluang paper, using red and black Chinese ink. It is written in Arabic script and language, with some marginal notes on the pages. The manuscript is without a cover and contains explanations about Arabic syntax (naḥn). The total number of pages is 108 sheets (216 pages), with an average of 15 lines per odd-numbered page and 7 lines per even-numbered page.



Picture 8. A manuscript with registration number 2514 and inventory number 07.65

The analysis of the manuscript above reveals that it contains two works, both of which are summaries (mukhtaṣar) of al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah by 'Abd al-Qāhir al-Jurjānī (d. 471 H/474 H). The beginning of the manuscript text is incomplete, suggesting that some parts of the text are missing. However, it is evident that the structure of this text contains the same material as in the book al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah, particularly the discussion on al-'awāmil fi al-naḥw. Among them is al-'awāmil al-simā'īyah, which has thirteen types, including several letters that govern only nouns, such as the letters bā', fī, and others. The examples given are almost identical to those in al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah. For instance, regarding the function of the letter fī, the author uses the examples الناء في الكوز، والمال في الكور، والمال أله nahw written by 'Abd al-Qāhir al-Jurjānī.

In another part of the text, written in a different script, another work concerning the naḥw book is found, although it is still a summary (mukhtaṣar) of al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah. At the beginning of the text, the author emphasizes the importance of Arabic grammar and likens al-naḥw fī al-kalām ka-al-milḥ fī al-ṭa'ām (naḥw in speech is like salt in food). He also mentions the reason for writing the mukhtaṣar of al'Awāmil al-Mi'ah because he realized that the discussions in the book are too extensive. This mukhtaṣar consists of five chapters: the first chapter on al-Isṭilāhāt al-Naḥwīyah (Terminology of Naḥw), the second chapter on al-'Awāmil al-Lafzīyah al-Qiyāsīyah (Verbal Governing Factors of Analogy), the third chapter on al-'Awāmil al-Lafzīyah al-Sima'īyah

(Verbal Governing Factors of Auditory Nature), the fourth chapter on al-'Awāmil al-Ma'nawīyah (Meaning-based Governing Factors), and the fifth chapter on Fusūl min al-'Arabīyah (Sections of Arabic).

Picture 9. A manuscript with registration number 2514 and inventory number 07.65



## Al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah by al-Jurjānī on Naḥw Manuscripts in Jambi

The analysis of *naḥw* manuscripts at the Siginjei Museum in Jambi, which includes four manuscripts, and two manuscripts at the Gentala Arsy Museum, reveals that these manuscripts reproduce the content of *al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah* by 'Abd al-Qāhir al-Jurjānī. Abū Bakr 'Abd al-Qāhir ibn 'Abd al-Raḥmān ibn Muḥammad al-Jurjānī was born in Jurjān (Gorgan), located between two cities, Tabristan (Tibris) and Khorasan. al-Jurjānī was a prominent linguistic figure and a well-known expert in Arabic grammar. In addition, he was also a scholar in the field of *balāghah* (rhetoric) (Ibn al-Anbārī, 1998; Rammuny, 1985). His famous works on *balāghah* include *Dalā'il al-I'jāz* and *Asrār al-Balāghah*. In the first book, he discusses the *'ilm al-ma'anī*, while the second book addresses the *'ilm al-bayān (Mūsá, 1998;* Atabik, 2021). Furthermore, al-Jurjānī was also well-versed in the *'ilm al-kalām* (theology) and was known to follow the Ash'arī school of thought. al-Jurjānī was very prolific in writing, with notable works including *al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah*, *al-Talkhīṣ*, *al-Talkhiṣ*, and others (Badawī, n.d.).

The influence of al-Jurjānī's work is clearly visible in the statements made by the authors of the manuscripts, who mention that their handwritten

works were greatly influenced by al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah by al-Jurjānī. In fact, in several manuscripts, the authors refer to their works using the title al-'awāmil. Additionally, the influence of the al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah book is also very apparent in the structure and content of the examined manuscripts, which emphasize the analysis and determination of i'rāh (grammatical case) of words in sentence structures. I'rah is a grammatical phenomenon found only in Arabic and does not exist in other languages. The al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah book is a basic Arabic grammar study that aims to analyze the final vowel markings (ḥarakat) of a sentence, which then affects other sentences in terms of i'rāh. This condition results in sentences with i'rāh of rafa', naṣh, jar, or jazm. The total number of 'āmil (grammatical agent) is 100 (mi'ah), divided into two categories: lafzī and ma'namī. Lafzī is further divided into two types: simā'ī and qiyāsī. Simā'ī consists of 91 'āmil, while qiyāsī contains 7 'āmil. Meanwhile, ma'nāmī is divided into two parts: 'āmil that affects mubtadā' and khahr, and 'āmil that affects fi'l muḍāri' (present tense verb) in the place of ism (noun).

The *naḥw* manuscripts found in the collections of the Siginjei Museum and Gentala Arsy Museum appear not to have been written by ulama from Jambi. Instead, they are manuscripts brought from Palembang or manuscripts brought by ulama from Jambi who studied in Mecca in the early 17th century. This aligns with the research of Amer Hudhaifah Hamzah and Ahmad Arifin bin Sapar (2019) regarding the study of *al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah* manuscripts, which are scattered throughout the archipelago because these manuscripts were brought back by Malay students who had studied the work of *al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah* in the Arab world during the 11th century AH/17th century CE. This argument is based on field research on Arabic grammar books studied in pesantren in Jambi Province. None of the pesantren in Jambi used the *al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah* book by al-Jurjānī, making it unlikely that the book was written by ulama of Jambi in their study of Arabic syntax (*naḥw*).

The *naḥw* books studied in the pesantren of Jambi Province are not much different from Martin's research on the study of *naḥw* books in pesantren. Below is a tracing of the *naḥw* book studies in Jambi Province that have developed since the early 20th century.

	Name of Pesantren	the by the pesantren in Jambi Province The Nahw Books Studied
1.	Pondok Pesantren Asʻad, Kota Jambi	<ul> <li>a. Matan al-Ājurrūmīyah (first year of Madrasah Thānawīyah/Junior High School),</li> <li>b. Sharḥ Mukhtaṣar Jiddān 'alá</li> </ul>
		Matn al-Ajurrūmīyah (second and third Year of Madrasah Thānawīyah/Junior High School)
		c. al-Kawākih al-Durrīyah bi-Sharḥ Mutammimat al-Ājurrūmīyah (Senior High School Level)
2.	Madrasah Sa'adatudarain, Kota Jambi	a. Matan al-Ājurrūmīyah b. Tashwīq al-Khallān: Ḥāshiyah ʻalá Sharḥ al-Ājurrūmīyah
		c. al-Kawākib al-Durrīyah bi-Sharḥ Mutammimat al-Ājurrūmīyah d. Qaṭr al-Nadá wa-Bali al-Ṣadá
3.	Pondok Pesantren Al- Jauharen, Kota Jambi	a Matan al-Ājurrūmīyah b. al-Kawākib al-Durrīyah bi-Shar <b>ḥ</b> Mutammimat al-Ājurrūmīyah
4.	Pondok Pesantren Nurul Iman, Kota Jambi	<ul> <li>a. Matan al-Ājurrūmīyah</li> <li>b. Sharḥ al-Ājurrūmīyah Syaikh</li> <li>Khālid al-Azharī</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>c. Qaṭr al-Nadá wa-Bali al-Ṣadá</li> <li>d. al-Kawākib al-Durrīyah bi-Sharḥ Mutammimat al-Ājurrūmīyah</li> <li>e. Ibn Aqīl 'alá Sharḥ Alfiyah Ibn Mālik</li> </ul>
5.	Pondok Pesantren Al-	a. Matan al-Ājurrūmīyah

## Baqiyatus Shalihat, Tanjung Jabung Barat

- b. Sharḥ Mukhtaṣar Jiddān 'alá Matn al-Ājurrūmīyah
- c. al-Kawākih al-Durrīyah bi-Sharḥ Mutammimat al-Ājurrūmīyah
- d. Ibn Aqīl 'alá Sharḥ Alfiyah Ibn Mālik
- Perguruan Hidayatul Islamiyah (PHI), Tanjung Jabung Barat
- 7. Pondok Pesantren Al-Makiyyah, Tebo
- 8. Pondok Pesantren Al-Munawarah, Bangko

- a. al-Durūs al-Naḥwīyah
- b. Qawā'id al-Lughah al-'Arabīyah
- a. Matan al-Ājurrūmīyah
- b. Matan al-Ājurrūmīyah
- c. al-Kawākih al-Durrīyah bi-Sharḥ Mutammimat al-Ājurrūmīyah
- d. Alfiyah Ibn Mālik

As shown in the table above, the *Matn al-Ajurrūmīyah* and *Alfiyah* books are the most commonly used in the pesantren in Jambi Province. According to the explanation of one of the teachers at Pesantren Al-Baqiyatus Shalihat, Kuala Tungkal, Tanjung Jabung Barat, the use of *naḥw* books, particularly Matn al-Ājurrūmīyah, in the pesantren in Jambi Province is attributed to the blessings of the author of Matn al-Ajurrūmīyah, al-Imām al-Sanhājī, also known as Ibn Ajurrūm. However, due to the difficulty in studying Matn al-Ajurrūmīyah, the sharḥ (commentaries) of Matn al-Ajurrūmīyah, such as Mukhtasar Jiddān and Mutammimah, are also studied. The Matn al-Ājurrūmīyah book uses a deductive method (al-tarīgah al-qiyāṣīyah), which presents definitions of terms and explanations of the material first, followed by example sentences. The book Matn al-Ajurrūmīyah, written by Ibn Ajurrūm, follows the Kūfah school of thought (madhhab). This indicates the tendency of Arabic syntax books used in the pesantren in Jambi Province to follow the Kūfah school. However, in some modern pesantren, such as al-Nur Tangkit and Pesantren PAL 10, the book al-Naḥw al-Wadiḥ is used, which employs an inductive method (al-tarīgah al-istinbātīyah), beginning with examples first and followed by explanations and rules. The book *al-Naḥw al-Wāḍiḥ*, written by 'Alī Jārim and Muṣṭafá Amīn, follows the Baṣrah school of thought.

This fact shows that the *naḥw* manuscripts in the Siginjai Museum and Gentala Arsy Museum, with registration numbers 2505, 2539, 2514, 2540, and 2160, are not present and are not taught in pesantren in Jambi. This is because these *naḥw* manuscripts contain copies of the book *al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah*, which has never been part of the curriculum in Jambi pesantren. Moreover, this fact also reinforces the conclusion that the origins of the *naḥw* manuscripts in Jambi are not works by Jambi scholars but were brought by figures such as Sayyid 'Abdullāh Dahlān, who arrived in 1923, Shaykh Saʿīd Yamanī in 1924, and others who taught at Madrasah Nurul Iman. Additionally, there are also manuscript copies originating from Palembang.

### **CONCLUSION**

Based on the study of *naḥw* manuscripts in Jambi, it is found that the collection of nahw manuscripts in the Museum Siginjei consists of four manuscripts with registration numbers 2505, 2539, 2514, 2540, and 2160, while the Gentala Arasy Museum has two manuscripts with inventory numbers 07.56 and 07.65. In total, these six manuscripts indicate that the nahw manuscripts contain copies of Arabic syntax books written by Middle Eastern scholars. These manuscripts show a close relationship with nahw studies in the Middle East. It cannot be denied that the sources of this knowledge come from Middle Eastern countries. However, what is interesting is how this knowledge spread to Jambi. The naḥw manuscripts in the Siginjei and Gentala Arasy Museums are not works of Jambi scholars (ulama). This is evidenced by examining these manuscripts, which generally record the content of the al-'Awāmil al-Mi'ah by al-Jurjānī, even though this book is not used in *nahw* teachings at pesantren in Jambi. Therefore, it is highly likely that these manuscripts were brought by scholars (ulama) from outside Jambi, particularly from Mecca, such as Sayyid 'Abdullāh Dahlān, who arrived in 1923, Shaykh Sa'īd Yamanī in 1924, and other scholars who taught at Madrasah Nurul Iman. Thus, it can be concluded that these scholars are likely the ones who brought the nahw manuscripts now in the hands of the people and the Jambi Museum. It is also possible that these manuscripts were brought from Palembang to Jambi.

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