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ABSTRAK

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The title of this paper is the work of The Meanings and Functions of Dayok Nabinatur for The Society of Simalungun. Simalungun tribe is one of the Batak in North Sumatra located around the city and other districts Siantar. In this food Simalungun society commonly used in traditional events or regular events. The method used in preparing the paper work is through written material data, field research, and find information on the internet. In this work, the author tries to explain the purpose and function of the typical food, especially at the traditional feast in Batak Simalungun. Before entering into the land of Batak religion (animism), beliefs about food treats arranged like her when she was alive has been done by the kings in ancient times. In antiquity, food treats such as goats, roosters, and buffalo have a sense that the kings have to give thanks to the gods for having given the tranquility of life. The purpose of this work is the writing of the paper describes the presence of food and why these foods can be used up to the present era. The authors hope the paper through this work the reader will understand the meaning and noble values that exist in every piece of food and can apply it in everyday life.
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