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EKA YULISTIN. POTENTIAL PESTS AND DISEASES OF WHEAT INTRODUCED TO PAGAR ALAM CITY, SOUTH SUMATRA (SUPERVISED BY H. SUPARMAN SHK AND YULIA PUJIASTUTI).

Wheat is one of alternative food commodities to support food security and food diversification program in Indonesia. Wheat flour had been widely known as "terigu" in the country. Market demand of wheat flour in Indonesia is increasing due to the increasing its per capita consumption. Vice ministers of Agriculture, Bayu Krisnamurthi, explained that the world's grain are expected to fall 0.33 percent from 1727 billion tons in the period 2008-2009 to 1721 billion tons in the period 2009-2010. For Indonesia, flour of wheat has been assumed upon which second main after rice.

The objectives of the research were to study and analyze the development of pests and diseases of wheat introduced into new place in South Sumatra which environmentally suitable for the growth of the crop.

The research had been conducted in Burung Dinang Village, District of Dempo Utara, City of Pagar Alam, South Sumatra from the early of September 2009 to the end of April 2010. The place altitude is 1200 meter above sea level. Pests found were: a) Leafhopper *Bothrogonia japonica* (Homoptera, Cicadellidae), b) Oat Bird Cherry Aphid *Rhopalosiphum padi* (Homoptera, Aphidoidea), c) Grasshopper *Leptysma marginicollis* (Orthoptera, Acrididae), d) Bug *Leptocorisa acuta* (Hemiptera, Alydidae), e) Scarab beetles *Diplotaxis tristis* (Coleoptera, Scarabaeidae). Diseases found were *Tiletia* sp., *Drechslera sorokiana*, *Drechslera oryzae*, *Helminthosporium* sp., *Alternaria* sp., *Curvularia* sp., *Fusarium semitectum*, *Fusarium solani*, *Nigrospora* sp., and *Cladosporium* sp.