ABSTRACT

Framing of Rohingya Refugee News on Online News Portals (Framing Analysis of News on Serambinews.com and Republika Online from November 2023 to February 2024)

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The issue of rejecting Rohingya refugees has become a public spotlight where arriving refugees faced rejection by residents, particularly in Aceh, leading to various perspectives on these refugees. The research focuses on Serambinews.com and Republika Online during the period from November 2023 to February 2024. The objective is to understand how these two media outlets shape public perception and attitudes towards refugees through their reporting. This research uses Entman's framing model and selects 10 news articles from each media outlet for analysis. Serambinews.com highlights the humanitarian issue and consistently calls on the public, especially the people of Aceh, to accept the Rohingya refugees. On the other hand, Republika Online frames this issue as a result of local fears and uncertainties related to social, economic, and security impacts. This media emphasizes the lack of deep understanding of the refugees' background and suffering as contributing factors to the rejection. Findings show significant differences in the approaches of the two media outlets. Serambinews.com focuses on empathy and solidarity, criticizing the ease with which the community is provoked and emphasizing the need for a moral foundation based on humanitarian values. Meanwhile, Republika Online highlights community concerns and suggests waiting for assistance from the government and UNHCR to resolve this issue. This research underscores the importance of media framing in shaping public attitudes towards refugees. Serambinews.com encourages a humanitarian response, while Republika Online stresses the need to understand and address local concerns. Further research should continue to explore these dynamics and develop strategies to foster empathy and support for refugees.

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