

## CHAPTER V

### CONCLUSION

This research thesis discusses women oppression toward Laura Madden as one of the victims of Harvey Weinstein in *She Said* (2022) movie. The oppression she faces takes the form of sexual harassment. In United States, women are often oppressed due to the patriarchal system that is deeply rooted in social life. This system causes women who experience oppression in the workplace to often normalize such treatment, which further undermines the position of women, as seen in Laura Madden's experience.

This research contains intrinsic and extrinsic aspects of the movie. The intrinsic aspects discussion focusses on Laura Madden, a simple woman who works on a film set in Ireland, 1992. She becomes a victim of Harvey Weinstein's sexual oppression. Weinstein, who comes from a wealthy and powerful man, exploits Laura who comes from a middle-class background which lead to social inequality. She experiences inner trauma and faces a dilemma between staying silent or speaking out until 2016. The pressure also comes from Pamela Lubell, who tries to silence her. The turning point comes when Laura realizes that her trauma is not her fault. She finds the courage to speak out to journalists as a form of resistance.

The extrinsic aspect discussion explores the causes, types, struggle, and social impact of the oppression Laura Madden experiences. Through the lens of radical feminism, Laura Madden's experience of sexual oppression is rooted in a deeply entrenched patriarchal system. This patriarchal structure causes Laura to experience various forms of oppression, including exploitation, powerlessness, and violence. Laura begins to understand that the trauma she experiences is not her fault, especially after hearing the stories of other victims. With her courage, Laura eventually chooses to speak up and challenge the injustice that has silenced her for so long.

This research thesis shows that the *She Said* (2022) movie raises awareness that women should not normalize various forms of sexual oppression in the workplace just to keep their jobs. The rooted patriarchal system continues to place men in a more respected position in society and further oppresses women. Therefore, as victims of sexual oppression, women must take bold steps to raise their voices and reclaim their rights and their body autonomy.