

## Perception and aspiration of people residing in the dangerous zone of Merapi Volcano on their settlement environment

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### Abstrak

This article is aimed to find out the behavioural characteristics of people residing in the dangerous zone of Merapi relating to their aspiration and perception on their settlement environment. Three sample areas are located in the volcanic slopes of Merapi being classified as the most dangerous zone whereas the other three are located along the river banks of river flowing down the mount. The result of this research shows that most of the people (65%) do not afraid of the danger, 18% feel afraid of it while the rest 17% are tremendously afraid of the danger. But 94% of the people interview said they are keen to remain living in the village and ony 6% of them are likely to move.