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**Group 2: The Role of Community Values and Resilience in
Supporting Diversity and Inclusion**

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This session will highlight the importance of the existence of values and norms in promoting social inclusion, including moral wisdom and customs. The discussion's theme is: "The Role of Community Values and Resilience in Supporting Diversity and Inclusion." The Indonesian Archipelago stretches from Sabang to Merauke, from Miangas to Rote Island. The Indonesian nation consists of hundreds of tribes, cultures, languages, traditions, religions, and beliefs. The efforts of uniformity only make this nation entangled in the threshold of destruction and civil war. The nation's founders have looked far ahead to ensure this nation can withstand and survive because of the values embraced by Indonesians, namely Pancasila with the slogan "*Bhinneka Tunggal Ika*" (Unity in Diversity, out of Many, One). For hundreds of years, until the establishment of the Republic of Indonesia, the Indonesian nation proved its ability to overcome various challenges that wanted to undermine their diversity.

Every individual who consciously chooses to live and strive in Indonesia must continue to maintain, care for, and live up to the society's cultural values of diversity and resilience. Inclusion will be the nation's modality in moving forward; the nation's diversity is a force to propel Indonesia to become a prominent nation among others.

Recently, countries in various parts of the world that imposed exclusivity and uniformity end up in tragedy, often becoming failed states, and fall into poverty due to internal conflicts and endless civil war. Learning from that, Indonesia should be grateful and proud for standing strong because we have a rich and unique diversity compared to other nations.

What is happening in other countries reminds everyone to be proud of our nation by standing upright, and singing the national anthem *Indonesia Raya*. This shows that whoever we are, regardless of religion, culture, languages, we are one Indonesian national.

Guide Questions:

1. Where can Indonesians find values of inclusivity, social solidarity, respecting diversity, and plurality?
2. How can the values inherent in Pancasila and *Bhinneka Tunggal Ika* be applied continuously in every Indonesian behavior from an early age?
3. What real role can every person and group of the nation's children take to maintain differences and respect each other's differences?
4. How can educational institutions be pioneers in internalizing the values of Pancasila and *Bhinneka Tunggal Ika*?
5. How can the values of deliberation and dialogical approach be guidance in decision-making?

6. How should the state play a role in maintaining the positive values that exist in society so that it can achieve an inclusive country?

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