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Process-Tracing Religious Violent Conflict between Sunni and Shia Communities in Madura Island, Indonesia

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This talk will examine violence and displacement suffered by the Shia community of Madura Island, Indonesia in December 2011 and August 2012 and their expulsion from the island in 2013. The violence is considered here as the culmination of a sequence of events, rather than a stand-alone episode. The history of the attacks and expulsion of Shia Madurans will be traced to preexisting and unresolved conflicts as well as larger societal changes. Utilizing the process-tracing method, I will examine the causal mechanism of the conflict between Sunni and Shia communities using the process tracing method. A discussion of the historical perspectives of the conflict, currently unresolved situations and implications for the future will follow.

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