

# **Preparedness of elementary teacher in developing and implementing merdeka curriculum in school**

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