



Community Leaders's Cooperation in the Prevention and Suppression of Illegal Drugs in Muang District, Pathumtani Province

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Abstract

The objectives of this study were three-fold: to determine the community leaders' leaders in the prevention and suppression of illegal drugs in Muang District, Pathumtani Province; 2) to find out factors conducive to the community leaders' cooperation in the prevention of drugs; and 3) to offer recommendations relating to the community leader's cooperation in Muang District of Pathumtani Province. There were 172 community leaders. Based on Yamane's formula, 120 communities' leaders were selected as the sample of the study. The study tool of the study was a set of self-administered questionnaires. The collected data were analyzed by dint of descriptive statistics, a t-test, an F-test.

The data analysis has shed light on the facts specified below:

- 1) Holistically speaking, the community leaders' cooperation in the prevention and suppression of illegal drugs was found to be at a very high level.
- 2) Holistically, and separately speaking, community leaders with different personal backgrounds (sex, age, education) failed to differ in their cooperation in the prevention and suppression of illegal drugs.

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History and the Significance of the Problem

The problem of illegal drugs is of great concern of the country; the problem tends to become greater serious. The addicts are on the increase trend. It is so largely because the illegal drug trafficking has increased steadily. Besides, new types of illegal drugs have been invented to the extent that it is extremely difficult for the police officers to check the illegal drugs. Despite the fact that Thai Government has made all possible efforts to suppress the illegal drugs trafficking. It seems that the number of illegal drug traffickers fail to go down. The prevalence of illegal drug trafficking has brought about a great many