ABSTRACT

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to the 8th National Economic and Social Development Plan:

A Case Study of the Office of Northern Forest Region

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The aim of this research was to study the implementation of forest development policy as specified in the 8th National Economic and Social Development Plan. The study relied on a field survey method and chose 184 samples of officials from the the Office of Northern Forest Region, The Royal Forest Department.

The result of this research indicated that the average score for the implementation of forest development policy was high. For the specific aspects of implementation, the score was quite high for the natural forest protection, the forest rehabilitation, and the forest plantation. The score was in the middle range for the administrative efficiency and the academic research. Besides, the implementations of the officials was affected by the organization affiliation, the background of their education, the types of their duties, and other supporting factors.