

## **ABSTRACT**

**Thesis Title : The Opinion of Administrative Officials in the Chonburi  
Province Regarding the Mass Demonstration between  
1993 - 1997**

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The research of the opinion of the administrative officials in the Chonburi province regarding the mass demonstration between 1993 – 1997 is a documentary and survey research. It aims to survey the general idea of the administrative officials in Chonburi on freedom in public demonstration from the past to the present and in the future. This is to enhance the study of their opinion on the resolution made by the government and other appropriate organizations.

Samples in the research carried out by the administrative officials in Chonburi were obtained by random sampling using the Taro Yamane' method, with an accuracy of 95% (and a variation of 5%). There are 78.71 samples. A researcher has analyzed these 79 samples and found that.

1. 69.6% of the administrative officials feel that demonstrations tend to imitate one another and try to build up power to negotiate with the government, 16.5% think that demonstration is a social freedom in democracy 8.9% consider that demonstrations cause damage to the public.

2. Among demonstrations for problem resolution, the officials consider that the serious ones are caused by the difficulties faced by agriculturists and poor farmers. The second most serious are those about land rights, labour disagreement and others.

3. Regarding the opinion on demonstration in the past, they agree to the point of 3.65 (against 5), 2.86 for the present and 2.96 for the future.

4. Regarding the resolution by the government, 46.8% of the officials agree, 31.6% are uncertain, 11.4% totally agree and 8.9% disagree. The general average point is 3.46

5. Regarding the resolution that the government should have, most of them prefer that it deals with the causes of the problems. Secondly they think the state should be sincere in dealing with problems, actively not passively. The rest think that the government should set up committees to continually work on problems.