ABSTRACT

Thesis Title : Knowledge and Understanding about Role and Authority

of Members and Managing Committees of the Subdistrict

Administration Organizations: A Case Study of Muang

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The objectives of this research are to investigate knowledge and understanding regarding role and authority of the council members and the committees of the Subdistrict Administration Organization and to analyze the relationships between economic and social status and the knowledge and understanding.

A sample of 83 people drawn from the council members and the committee of the Subdistrict Administration Organization in Muang District. Samutprakan using the purposive sampling method. The data were collected through self-administered questionnaires and were analyzed using t-test and One-Way ANOVA.

The research findings are as follows:

- 1. The levels of knowledge and understanding on role and authority of the council members and the committees of the Subdistrict Administration Organization are moderate.
- 2. The relationships between the economic and social status and the knowledge and understanding on the role and authority of the council member and the committees were found significant at p = 0.05 in various particular subtests.
- 2.1 The council members and the committees who are different in sex are different in the means of the knowledge and understanding.
- 2.2 The council inembers and the committees who are different in ages are different in the means of the knowledge and understanding.
- 2.3 The council members and the committees who are different in education levels are different in the means of the knowledge and understanding.
- 2.4 The council members and the committees who are different in incomes are different in the means of the knowledge and understanding.