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NATTHIDA SUKMANAS : THE BELIEFS IN FENG-SHUI AS A WAY OF LIFE OF CHINESE THAIS IN BANGKOK. THESIS ADVISOR : ASSO.PROF. AMARA PONGSAPICH, Ph.D. 222pp. ISBN 974-636-342-5.

The study of "The Belief in Feng-Shui As a Way of Life of Chinese Thais in Bangkok" covers two aspects. The first is the study of Feng-Shui of Living abodes. Field data was collected from Yaowarat and Sampheng. The second aspect is the belief in Feng-Shui in burial ground. Field data was collected from Hulin-Cemetery in Kaeng-Koy district of Saraburi province.

Results of the study confirm the hypothesis that (1) The Belief in Feng-Shui had diffused to Thai-society by Chinese population. (2) The Belief in Feng-Shui is based on Yin and Yang forces of I-Ching philosophy of Taoism. (3) The Belief in Feng-Shui has impacted way of life of Chinese descendents. Feng-Shui of burial ground represent lineage continuity and unity while Feng-Shui of living abodes represent security, safety and prosperity.

In addition, there are Chinese descendents who make distinction between Feng-Shui for the dead and Feng-Shui for the living. Most of them do not know the philosophy and the practices. They depend on the "professional" for advice. Socio-economic status also influence the decision to follow Feng-Shui practice or not

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