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This research focuses on the study Chiangmai's development in term of the relationship between politics and temples and also on the search for new trends in conserving and developing the temple areas, to meet the current economic and social condition.

The study results in some interesting information on the close relationship between the temples and the growth of Chiangmai and the people's ways of life as well. The important temples which have continuously developed have had significant roles in the development of Chiangmai's politics and governing. likewise, the temples in district area have also been "Public Center" till today.

The current shift of economic and social condition has an affect on temples in many aspects including the roles of monks. There are three groups of principle problems-the planning of the areas, architectural features and the environment of temple areas in which ninety percents of the total temples studied are involved.

This research mainly proposed two new trends of both conservation and development planning of the temple areas. The first one is the city planning and the second one is the conservation and development planning of temple areas. These planning are lannched to be impased in the national provincial and also local policies. The great emphasis is not only encouraging people's ethies but also helping the widespread of conserving cultural heritage among Thai people. The measures for improving temple areas one carefully proposed with regard to the way of conserving Lanna style. Moreover, this research also provides the examples of temple restoration in the business area by associating these areas with the historical and cultural value of temple areas. In the last section of the research, there is a proposal on a new circle of temple studies in Chiangmai in order to be a good way to encourage the temple values and also to promote the conservation of cultural heritage.