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CHAMAIPORN DISATAPORN : A STUDY OF REASONS OF SO'S PARTICIPATION
IN THE FUNCTIONAL LITERACY PROGRAM, THE NORTHEASTERN REGION.

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The purpose of this investigation was to study So's reasons for participating in the Functional Literacy Program in the aspects of needs for education, personal needs, needs to be updated, needs for benefits, influence of local people and mass media and to compare So's reasons in participating in Function Literacy Program according to gender, age, economic status. The questionnaires were used to collect data from 303 So's in the educational year 1992, and interview forms were used for 24 informants.

The results of the investigation were:

1. Needs for education ($\mu = 3.82$), personal needs ($\mu = 3.61$), needs for undated ($\mu = 3.73$), needs for benefits ($\mu = 3.70$) were the reasons of So's participation in the Functional Literacy Program at high level.

Influence of local people ($\mu = 3.36$) and mass media ($\mu = 3.31$) were the reasons of So's participation in the Functional Literacy Program at medium level.

2. Concerning needs of So of different gender, there was significant difference in every aspects.

3. Concerning needs of So of different age level, there was significant difference in every aspects.

4. Concerning needs of So of different economic status, there was significant difference in every aspects.