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The purposes of this research were to study the factors related to furthering or not furthering education at the Lower Secondary Non-formal Education Curriculum B.E.2530 by the distance learning method of primary education graduates in the central region in the aspects of demographic, economical background.family and social status and to study the important reason for furthering and not furthering education according to the opinions of each group.

The findings were as follows:

- 1. The important factors in the aspect of the personal background of the learners was the needs to further their studies after graduation from school systems or from Non-Formal Education equivalent to Prathom Suksa 6. The factor in the economic aspect of the learners were their wages per month. The factors in the aspect of the learners' families and social were the parents' supports of furthering education at the lower secondary education by distance learning and travelling condition.
- 2. The factors in the aspect of personal background, economical, family and social status of the learners were mostly significantly related at .05 level.
- 3. The reason for furthering education with the highest mean score according to the opinion of the students in the group that further their education was to increase their knowledge, and the reason for not furthering education for the those in the group that not furthering their education was having not enough time to join the group or to revise the lessons.