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The purpose of this research was to study general information of productivity saving groups networks at district level, and learning activities provided by networks. The sample group consisted of 199 productivity saving groups networks selected by stratified random sampling and simple random sampling. Presidents of the networks are representatives of the networks.

The instrument for this research was a questionnaire. The data was analyzed by using frequency, percentage, mean and standard deviation.

The results of the research were as follows :

1. General Information

1.1 Status of the presidents of the networks : 76.40 percent were male, average age was 44.5 years old and 52.3 percent completed secondary school level.

1.2 General information of the networks, it was found that most of the networks were established less than 6 years (B.E. 2545 – B.E. 2551) and contained 16-20 network groups. Motivation of the establishing was mostly from the encouragement of the government. The main objective of establishing the networks was to be the center of knowledge for members and to manage community fund. Most income was from money deposit and loan for members. The networks allocated benefits for members mostly by raising and expanding establishment of productivity saving groups.

2. Activities of the networks were categorized into learning, investment, welfare and network strengthening activities. It was found that overall activities were implemented in moderate level (mean = 2.56). Data was analyzed by each aspect ranking from frequently implemented activity to few ones ; network strengthening aspect (mean = 3.04), learning aspect (mean = 2.95), welfare aspect (mean = 2.29), and investment aspect (mean = 1.95).

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