

PETCHAREE KITTIVITAYAKUL : ACCESS TO KING BHUMIBOL ADULYADEJ'S
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The objective of this research study was to create an easy access to His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej's speeches and addresses graciously delivered on various occasions during 41 years from 1946 - 1986. The 935 speeches and 1205 addresses totalling 2140 were systematically classified by the Dewey Decimal Classification from the first to third summaries. An alphabetical subject index was provided, and an union list of publications of His Majesty the King's speeches and addresses in major libraries was also arranged, to facilitate convenient retrieval. This study hypothesized that His Majesty's speeches and addresses were mostly related to the ethics.

It was found that in the first summary level of the classification system, His Majesty's speeches and addresses covered all 10 major classes, with social sciences ranked first, followed by philosophy and related disciplines. In the second summary level the speeches and addresses dealt mostly with the divisions of political science and ethics (moral philosophy) successively; in the third summary level, they dealt mostly with the sections of international relations and of economic professional and occupational ethics, respectively. When both the speeches and addresses were studied collectively, the research result did not agree with the hypothesis, whereas His Majesty's speeches alone covered ethical matters the most, this being in accord partially with the hypothesis.