

Abstract

Title : Capacity building and role of Thai police officers in the southern part of Thailand

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Terrorism in the southern part of Thailand affects the national security for almost a decade. It is necessary to eliminate the problems urgency. As a result, increasing the capacity and role of the police officers, who operate in the south of Thailand, are the most important factor that can lead to the end of terrorism in Thailand.

The objectives of this research are to understand the causes of the problems and the role of the southern police officers. In addition, the research provides different solutions to increase the capacity of the officers. Moreover, it focuses on how the officers response to the terrorist activities in order to solve any problems with the suitable solutions.

The research is conducted as a qualitative research which collects the data from interviewing, questionnaire, and observations. This study also gathers its information from both officers operating in the dangerous area and the people living within the community.

The result of the research remains complicated. However, we can sum up that the causes of the problems are from the officers, people, and the government policy. In conclusion, the solutions are to improve the relationship and confidence between officers and people, to understand the culture of Islam, and using suitable weapons for the officers.