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This research aims at testing the power and influence of illegal lottery brokers in terms of basic means of subsistence, subsistence crisis insurance, protection and influence as well as collective patron services.

The findings discover that the basic means of subsistence, subsistence crisis insurance and collective patron services make illegal lottery brokers higher socio-economic status than villagers and policemen but never higher than politicians. The only term of protection and influence leads the illegal lottery brokers to influence.

The power and influence of illegal lottery brokers are tri-dimensional, that is, the relationship between illegal lottery brokers and villagers make the illegal lottery brokers powerful and influential patronage. The relationship between illegal lottery brokers and politicians make them brokerage who are influential in politics. They are patronage in relationship between them and policemen.

Besides, the status of illegal lottery brokers, patronage, influential patronage and political influential brokers are not end in itself. They use tri-dimensional status as means in order to protect and defend the interest of illegal lottery bussiness.