

### ABSTRACT

**Title of Research Paper :** Opinions of Inmates toward Vocational Training in Yala Central Prison  
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The study on Opinions of Inmates toward Vocational Training in Yala Central Prison had purposes to study 1) opinions of the inmates toward the vocational training in Yala Central Prison and 2) factors that had relations to the inmates' opinions toward the vocational training in Yala Central Prison.

Samples of the study were 120 inmates who received the training on furniture making, welding and fishing net making. Questionnaire was used to collect data and statistics used in analyzing were Percentage, Mean, Standard Deviation and Inferential Statistic which included t-test and F-test.

**The results of the study could be concluded as follows;**

1. On opinions toward the vocational training in Yala Central Prison, it is found that in overall the level of agreement was medium. When considering each aspect from high to low, they were 1) quality of works 2) places and equipment in the training 3) officials supervising the training and 4) the training subjects.
2. Studying on the factors that had relations to the inmates' opinions toward the vocational training in Yala Central Prison found that the inmates who had different educational background, age, marital status, imprisonment period, former career and income before being jailed did not have different opinions toward the vocational training in Yala Central Prison with statistical significance.

**Recommendations were as follows;**

1. There should have more training subjects for the inmates so that they could choose to join up to their need and skillful. They would also have more determination in the training.
2. The officials who supervised the training should have more time for the inmates so that they could take care and learn about the real problems of the training system.
3. Professional trainers from other agencies such as skill development centres or Sarapatchang College should be invited to train the inmates the subjects that were needed by the labour market. With this, the inmates would be more enthusiastic in joining the training.
4. There should have evaluation of the training from time to time for more qualities and abilities of the inmates.
5. The training subjects provided should be in accordance with the labour market's needs and production's factors.