ABSTRACT

RESEARCH PAPER : People's Opinion toward Eco-tourism Development for

Community Forest: A Case Study of Mangrove Forest

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The study was conducted for the following purposes:

1. to find out the attitude of people in Tambon Bangpu, Tambon Yamu, Tambon Talogapor and Tambon Laempo toward the eco-tourism promotion, designing of the eco-tourism management.

2. to identify the factors related to people's attitude toward eco-tourism for community forest development.

The findings were briefly stated as follows:

Most of the subjects were male. Their average age was 35. Most of them were married. They completed primary education and secondary education. They had lived in the villages since they were born.

The majority of the people rather agreed with eco-tourism for community forest development in terms of eco-tourism for community forest development in terms of eco-tourism promotion, designing of the eco-tourism pattern and eco-tourism management.

Besides, it was found that the hometown of the respondent was significantly related to their attitude toward eco-tourism for community forest development at the 0.05 level.

It was recommended that the project be publicized and people be encouraged to participate in the project in order to seriously develop eco-tourism continuously