

ABSTRACT

Title of Research Paper : People's Participation in Forest Resource Conservation at
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The objectives of People's Participation in Forest Resource Conservation at The Royally-initiated Khun Mae Kuang Forest Area Development Project, Amphur Doisaket Chiang Mai Province, will be firstly, to study attitude of participation. Secondary, the related factors to forest resource conservative participation and finally, to study problems and obstacle also suggestions to forest resource conservative participation.

Study framework. Independent variables to be studied are as follow : sex, age, education career, income, social forum member and size of land owner. Besides, social factor will be forest resource conservation's opinion and forest resource conservative information awareness. Dependent variables in this study is forest resource conservative participation. Four aspects of participation will be considered, namely, problem analysis participation planning participation, operational participation, monitoring and evaluated participation.

The sample studied are people who settle around Khun Mae Kuang Forest Area Development Project area amount of 223 people. The purposive sampling in area selection and the sample of population selected by accidental sampling. Data collecting tools are questionnaire. The statistics applied in this study are percentage, average, standard deviation, t-test, and F-test.

Results found from the study are as follows

1. Personal Background. 63.7% of the sample are male, 26.9% age between 31-40 years old, 61.0% are head of the family, 62.8% are family's member, 40.4% graduated primary school, 50.7% are in charge of employee, 33.6% earn higher than 70,001 baht per year, 83.9% are member

member of social forum, which is mostly member of Khun Mae Kuang Forest conservative forum, 68.6% own their land. For social factor, 55.6% of all sampling groups moderately agree with forest resource conservative activities, which is as same as forest resource conservative information awareness.

2. Forest resource conservative participation found that the general feature is moderate (average = 0.84 of 2). In addition, focusing on each specified feature also are moderate level as well. The detail by more-less average priority to be participating in action (average = 0.92), participating in planning and production (average = 0.86), participating in problem analysis (average = 0.85) and participating in evaluation and monitoring (average = 0.65)

3. The factors which significantly effect to people's participation in forest resource are sex, income, member of social forum, land owner, forest resource conservation project's opinion and information awareness. Other variables, namely, age, education and career do not effect people's participation in forest resource conservation.

The suggestion from this studying will be : (1) Arranging the training course emphasize to improving in forest resource conservation's conscious. (2) Supporting a continual inform to people in order to provide them participating in forest resource conservation by themselves. (3) Supporting the increasing income's activities in order to solve stealing forest products and income's problem. (4) Supporting to local organization arrangement in order to build civic society as well as strengthening the self-reliance process of the people (5) Arrangement the local network, which focuses on experience exchange and unity. (6) Supporting to people's participation by developing information system and providing people's participation in information system.