

Abstract

The study on “Expectation of Labour Toward the Roles of Local Politicians : A Case Study of Chom Tong District, Bangkok Metropolis” aims at exploring the expectation of working population from their local politicians (Members of Bangkok Metropolitan Administration Council) in 3 aspects namely the promotion of occupational and income development, the promotion of labour organization development, and the promotion of labour welfare development, as well as factors influencing the expectation. The sample of the study comprises 60 workers aged over 18 who are out of school living in Suan Sampaud Community, Chom Tong District. Data Collection instrument is questionnaire. Statistics applied for the analysis of data are Percentage, Mean, Standard Deviation, and Comparison of Average Values.

The study finds that the majority of the sampling group are male employees aged between 18-27. Forty-five percent of them finish either higher secondary or lower vocational education, and 65.0 percent are single with income 5,000-10,000 baht per month. It is found that their expectation in all three aspects namely occupational and income development promotion, labour organization development promotion, and labour welfare development promotion are at high level. The relationship between basic personal factors and their expectation reveals that age, gender, income and occupation result in different levels of expectation of the labour in the community, while education, marital status, work position, work duration and period of living in Chom Tong District do not have any effect on their expectation.

The study recommends that the Bangkok metropolitan Administration and Members of the BMA Council should publicize their practical roles, organize training for the labour groups in the community to disseminate knowledge on the roles of Members of the BMA Council, extend existing occupational projects, and increase the number of non-formal education centers to meet the needs of labour or every community in the area should have non-formal education center.