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NIPHON JERMJAMNONK : AN ANALYSIS STUDIES OF THE CAUSES OF JUVENILE DELINQUENCY ON BUDDHIST PERSPECTIVES : A CASE STUDY OF PRA-NEE GIRL TRAINING AND SUPERVISION INSTITUTE. THESIS ADVISORS : NOP KANJANAGUNTI, M.S., ASAWIN WATANAVIBOOL, M.A., TANANSAK BOWORNNANTAKUL, M.A. 191 P. ISBN 974-662-479-2.

The objectives of this research are to study, according to Buddhist and sociological concepts, the causes of juvenile offence and to offer suggestions for solutions to the problems. The sample of this research is 15 female juveniles sentenced to stay at Pra-Nee Girl Training and Supervision Institute. The researcher collected and analyzed the data by interview, summary and description.

The results of the research show that these juvenile delinquents are always primary students who came from poor and broken families. They have no income. Their parents are always wage-earners and employees. Since parents fail to counsel and take care of the children, most of them live with their friends in places where illegal drugs are used. According to this the concept and theory of Buddhism, humans' state of mind, such as greed, passion and fascination, as well as social factors, association with knaves, gambling, using alcohol and drugs, weakness of social institutions especially the justice system, poverty and physical factors such as deserted and dangerous places, drugs, weapons, beloved things are all causes of juvenile delinquency.

The researcher suggests that parents and person concerned should raise and cultivate the juveniles according to the teachings of Buddha. The Buddhist organization should spread the teaching of Buddha widely and the government should be active in controlling the juveniles.