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SUPPRESSION AND PREVENTION OF AMPHETAMINE OF THE PATROL POLICE
OFFICERS IN THE PROVINCIAL POLICE REGION 7. THESIS ADVISORS :
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The purpose of this dissertation was to study problems, obstacles and factors related to amphetamine suppression and prevention activities of 273 patrol police officers in the Provincial Police Region 7. Data was collected by means of questionnaires and responses were analyzed in terms of percentage, mean, standard variation and variation analysis.

The results indicated that social background which consisted of housing condition and marital status as well as personal function characteristics-discipline and punishment, the experiences in connection with amphetamine, the responsibility, rewarding and skills were the factors related to the efficiency of respondents' amphetamine suppression and prevention activities. Additionally, the internal problems, morale and spirits and external problems, the unity of community members, the cooperation from other sections including the interference from influential individuals were also statistically significantly related to efficiency.

Thus, to address obviate such problems, the government and the Royal Thai Police administration should develop patrol officers' potential, particularly through the motivation of stability and confidentially as well as housing conditions, rewarding, and skill enhancement with training courses. These factors would influence the efficiency in suppressing amphetamine. Furthermore, qualitative or in-depth research in the communities where amphetamines have become widely spread ought to be carefully conducted to study the behavior of community group targets.

In order to broaden the research study and expand the findings about the method useful in developing individual patrol policemen with regard to amphetamine suppression and prevention abilities which could lead to national economic and social benefits, more research should be conducted in other provincial police regions.