

**Thesis Title**            The Attitude of Female 4-H Group Members towards  
Occupations in Amphoe Dok Kham Tai, Changwat Phayao

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**Abstract**

The purposes of this research were to identify the general background of female 4-H groupmembers, to investigate the attitude of female 4-H group members towards agricultural and prostititional occupation, to analyse the relationship between the general background and the attitude of female 4-H group members towards agricultural and prostititional occupation, to study the problems and suggestions concerning agricultural occupation and the needs of female 4-H group members for other occupations. The samples of this research were 153 female 4-H group members in Amphoe Dok Kham Tai. The data was collected by the use of interview schedule and complied by computer. The analysis of SPSS/PC+ programme was applied to investigate the relationship between dependent variable and independent variables by Chi-square technique and contingency coefficient.

The results of this research can be concluded as follows :

The average age of female 4-H group members was 19.37 years, the majority of them finished primary education and single having average income 14,533 Baht per year, with average farm size 9 rai per household, receiving information with average score 7.63 and their subsidiary jobs being wage earners.

The attitude of female 4-H group members towards agricultural occupation was generally fair and towards prostitutional occupation was generally poor. Age, educational level, marital status, family income, farm size, opportunity of getting information and subsidiary occupation were not significantly related with the attitude of female 4-H group members towards agricultural occupation. Only age was significantly related with the attitude of female 4-H group members towards prostitutional occupation, meaning that the younger female 4-H group members tended to disregard prostitutional occupation.

Problems relating to agricultural occupation of female 4-H group members were drought, lack of capital and agricultural instruments, insufficient agricultural land. The needs for other occupations included trading, beauty parlor, dress maker.

Some recommendations from this study for the female 4-H group members were the continuing support for the group activities and incentive in order to expand the membership. The disadvantage of working outside the community and prostitutional occupation should be delineated. Furthermore, training courses in socially recognized occupation should be regularly organized.