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Abstract

Rural Supplementary Occupation Project is an occupation training project for the general public which aims at encouraging supplementary occupation to help augment family income. This project is one of several that are being carried by several government agencies to help raise the income of the rural population who are hard-pressed to cope with rising expenditures due to the structure of rural employment and the need to feed members of the family. The study aimed to find whether the factors of age, number of family members, previous knowledge and job experience and the average family income had any bearing on the success of the project.

The subject comprised 245 housewives who received rural supplementary occupation project training conducted by Nakhonratchasima Vocational College in 1990 fiscal year. The study was conducted in 1991 using a sample of 152 housewives representing those who received various fields of training. The data gathering was done through interviews and then subjected to statistical analysis to find percentage, means, standard deviation. The hypothesis was subjected to F-test using one-way classification and yielded statistical significance at 0.05 level.

The result pointed out that the project did not significantly show trainees engaging in supplementary occupation and that age, number of family members, and family income were not responsible for those housewives who were successful in having supplementary occupation. Only previous knowledge and working experience were found to play significant role for those successful housewives.