

Thesis Title A Study of the Impact of the Burmese Minority
 Problem on Thailand along the Thai- Burmese
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ABSTRACT

The objective of this study is to find the impact of the Burmese minority problem toward Thailand on the following aspects : national security, economic, crime, and governmental process of the minority along Thai-Burmese border. The policy and strategy process for the minority group of Burmese nationality is also studied. The data are collected through mailed-questionnaires from 99 samples of governmental officers in 34 districts attached to the Thai-Burmese border.

The results of the study are summarized as follows :

Firstly, in the areas with Burmese refugee camps : There is some political movement of the minority groups for independent states. Illegal mobilization occurs according to withdrawal from fighting zones and political reasons.

Secondly, in the areas attached to the Burmese minority troops, the political movement of Burmese minority groups for independent states is also occurred. There is some support for the minority troops.

The violations of law are taken place in the form of process or movement and relevant between the violations and the minority troops. Most of the Burmese minority are maladjusted to or rejected of Thai traditional and cultural process. The invasion of land occurs especilly in the area that legal personnels cannot investigate. There is some communication among some local authority persons in law violation.

Thirdly, in the areas attached to the Burmese goverment troops, there is also some political movement for independent states. There is some support to the minority troops. There is some relevant action between the minority groups and the minority troops. There is some land invasion. The cooperation between Thai and Burmese authority is locally. the minority groups committed various crime such as illegal trade of cows and buffaloes, selling war weapons, smuggling, crime against life and body, demanding for underground tax and illegal labor employment.

Recommendations :

1. The policy and measure of practice for the Burmese minority group should be assigned practically and updated.
2. There should be revision of measure in control and check of the Burmese minority group, particularly along the Thai- Burmese borders.
3. There should be some study of the impact of the same circumstance from the non-governmental personnels, such as the peasants or the commercial owners along the mentioned border for check and balance of the information and for essential policy and measure making, accurately.