Thanaphong Thanadechakul Name Master of Arts (Criminology and Criminal Justice) Degree Thesis Supervisory Committee Asawin Watanavibool, LL.B., M.A. Sombat Suppatchai, B.sc., M.A. Vivit Chatuparisut, B.A. (Politic Science), M.A. (Government), Post Graduated Diploma in Criminology 19 April B.E. 2536 (1993) Date of Graduation ABSTRACT The objectieves of this study are to find the causes of the murder and the factors that affect the differences of the causes. The samples of the study are 365 inmates of murder cases of Bang Kwang Central Prison. The data are collected by means of questionnaires. The rusults of the study are summarized as follows: 1. Most of the samples committed murder when the age is between 21-30 years old, at the time of the begining of their own family settlement, with primary level of education, monthly income no more than 3,000 baht and reside out of town. The causes of commitment respectively are being upset by the victims, being treated badly by the victims and committed murder for

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rewards.

- 3. Nost of the cases took place in the central region, out of town, in the night, committing alone, first commitment, with out alcoholic drink and unprepared, using firearms, being arrested and confess, and the victim is 1 male.
- 4. For the cases with causes from the victims (upsetting and being treated badly), the inmates committed murder alone with out preparation and committed for the first time. Contrarily, for the ones committed for rewards, the inmates committed with 2-3 companions with preparation and committed for several times.

Recommendations :

- There should be discrimination between the ones who committed murder cases by personal reasons and the ones committed for reward to find the appropriate means to rehabiliate.
- 2. There should be deep study for the relationship and details of the murder cases.