Date of Graduation 27 November B.E. 2532 (1989) ABSTRACT The objectives of this research are to study the knowledge and opinion of concerned officials on work related to the Minerals Act and to study factors related to knowledge and opinion on work related to the Mineral Act. The sample group consisted of concerned 262 officials from class 3 to 8 whose work is related to the Minerals Act.

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Questionnaires containing a mix of closed and open ended questions were used. The results are as follows.

- 1. The concerned officials have medium knowledge concerning the Minerals Act. From the research it is found that the concerned officials with different ages, classes, positions, esponsibilities, period of working, work experience, level of education and ability in understanding information have statistically significant differences in knowledge of the Act at the level of 0.001
- 2. The concerned officials have positive opinion about work related to the Minerals Act. Moreover it is found that those with different ages, classes period of working, work experience, level of education and knowledge of amendment of the Act have no statistically significant difference in opinion.

Besides, the concerned officials who have different positions have statistically significant difference in opinion at the level 0.05. Further mose the concerned officials who have different responsibilities have statistically significant differences in opinion at the 0.01

## Recommendations

Department of Mineral Resource should provide up to date information as well as knowledge the Mineral Act for all concerned officials. Particularly, an emphasis should also be placed on a section that gives explicit detial on the legality of the employment of certain apparatus, utensil and mechanical devices in separating minerals