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#### Abstract

Vegetable-processing industry plays very important role in Thai economics. In 1995, Thai processed vegetables were ranked the eighth of world exports. However, competition and trade barrier measures become increasingly tough. International hygienic standard of vegetable processing, which includes proper management system, international standardized quality control, packaging, storing as well as environmental awareness from raw material production to processing is required. This study was, therefore, undertaken to investigate vegetable-processing entrepreneurs' preparation to enter GMP system. Subjects of this study were entrepreneurs and managers responsible for quality control from 103 factories. Two sets of questionnaires were used to collect data. Percentage and frequency rank were employed to analyze the collected data.

It was found that most entrepreneurs (98.06 - 99.03%) were aware of GMP regulations. 75.64 % of them had already followed such regulations especially those concerning with maintenance and sanitation. However, only 48.23 % had started GMP training. Regulations with less than 62.91 % of implementing obstacles were ones on maintenance and sanitation, personal hygiene. Problems/obstacles most affected the development of the business were capital and workers which were ranked the first and second respectively.



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