

**Title** : A Follow-up Study of Laotian Librarians Attended Workshop Trainings Under the Patronage of H.R.H. Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn at Mahasarakham University

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### **Abstract**

This research aimed at studying an implementation and enhancement of knowledge and skills gained from training workshops to libraries in Lao PDR. A total of 93 librarians, library workers, teachers in schools, colleges, and universities who attended short courses on simple library management, classification and AACR2 Cataloging, and reading promotion activities and a five-month course on library management at Mahasarakham University under the patronage of H.R.H Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn during 1995 - 1997.

Data were collected through interviews and questionnaires. The data collected were analyzed by using percentage and arithmetic means.

The findings indicated the following :

1. Regarding short courses, it was found that : 1.1) most participants on simple library management session utilized management and technical knowledge and skills at a moderate level, while the use of service and activities part was at a high level ; 1.2) most participants on classification and AACR2 Cataloging session utilized knowledge and skills gained at a moderate level; 1.3) most participants on the reading promotion activities session used this knowledge and skills at a moderate level as well.

2. Regarding a five - month course with a focus on library management, it was found that most participants utilized the management, technical and services and activities knowledge and skills at a high level.