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WATER FISH CONSUMPTION AMONG VILLAGERS
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ABSTRACT.

The study on consuming raw fresh water fish related with socio-economic factors was carried out in March 1989, at Ban Tale village, Saema subdistrict, Soong Noern district, Nakhon Rachsima Province, Thailand. Three hundred and thirty eight villagers aged more than 7 years old were enrolled in this study. Qualitative data concerning consumption of raw fresh water fish were collected by trained interviewers using structured questionnaire.

Consumption of raw fresh water fish, was found in 81.4 % (95 % Confidence Intervals = 0.77 - 0.86) of the villagers. Most of them ate fermented fish such as Pla-ra, which was obtained from either home - made for short duration or bought from the market which was prepared and sold on day to day basis. There were no association between knowledge, attitude income and education with eating raw fish habit among the villagers while occupation and age group shows significant crude association with raw fresh water fish consumption.