


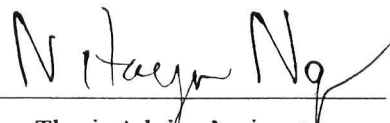
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This research purposes to analyze and propose solutions of operation problems of Jurisdiction Authority of Thai Election Commission. The study is a qualitative research, which gathers data from the sample group comprising 4 Thai Election commissions, 6 parliamentarians and 5 members of P-net. These 15 individuals were selected by purposive sampling. The tool utilized was an in-depth interview with content analysis structure.

This research emphasizes on the problems of Thai Election Commission's procedures during Year 2005. The majority of survey samples regard that 1.) The current operation of Thai Election Commission is too autonomous due to the Constitution excessively empower to Thai Election Commission, which becomes an absolute organization, which has administration power and Quasi judicial power all in one organization. 2.) Thai Election Commission is independence that has unclear operations because other organizations cannot interfere and investigate their election trial cases. 3.) The operations of Thai Election Commission are too belated because of the lack of officers and also experiences of controlling the elections, which possess several steps of operations. 4.) Thai Election Commission possesses jurisdiction power, which is allocated from the Constitution of the kingdom of Thailand B.E. 2540. Therefore, private organizations cannot monitor their works. 5.) The lack of experienced private organizations causes unclear working procedure, which cannot control and investigate.

In addition, the solutions were provided in this study. The majority of the survey samples infer that private organization should participate in investigating the trial procedures of election trial cases. Furthermore, the minority of the samples suggested that establishing a justice court for parliamentarians and a court of senate as well as a court of election can solve the problems.

However, People Network for Election in Thailand (PNET) was established as a central organization in order to monitor and investigate Thai Election Commission's operations, but This organization still does not have a chance to seriously work on the election. So, researcher suggested the solutions, which are determining and adding more responsibilities and powers to central organization in order to more participate in investigating the trial procedure.

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