

The purposes of this research were to study conditions and operational problems of 21 district public libraries in Central region with respect to 4 aspects, buildings and inventories, personnels, books and printed materials and services.

The sample was comprised of the Chiefs of Promotion Operation Sub-Divisions, library committees, librarians and users.

Two rating scale questionnaires interviews were employed in data collection. Set A was used for the Chiefs of Promotion Operation Sub-Divisions, library committees and librarians while Set B was used to collect the opinions of users. Statistical techniques utilized for data analysis were frequency, percentage, standard deviation, t-test and F-test.

Findings were summerized as follows :

1. The opinions of the Chiefs of Promotion Operation Sub-Divisions towards four conditions of library management were at a moderate level, and the opinions towards four operational problems were at a low level. When all aspects were partially considered, the findings were found that, the Chiefs' opinions towards buildings and inventories were significant difference at the level .05 from the opinions of the library committees, librarians and users. No significant differences of the opinions towards the other aspects were found.

2. The opinions of the library committees towards four conditions of library management were at a moderate level, and

the opinions towards four operational problems were also at a moderate level. When all aspects were partially considered, the findings were found that the opinions of the library committees, librarians and users regarding personnels were significant difference at the level .05 from the opinions of the Chiefs of Promotion Operation Sub-Divisions. No significant differences of the opinions towards the other aspects were found.

3. The opinions of librarians towards four conditions of library management were at a moderate level, and the opinions towards four operational problems were also at a moderate level. When all aspects were partially considered, the findings were found that the opinions of librarians, library committees and users towards books and printed materials were significant difference at the level .05 from the opinions of the Chiefs of Promotion Operation Sub-Divisions. No significant differences of the opinions towards other aspects were found.

4. The opinions of users towards four conditions of library management were at a moderate level, and the opinions towards four operational problems were also at a moderate level. When all aspects were partially considered, the findings were found that, the opinions of users, library committees, and librarians towards services were significant difference at the level .01 from the opinions of the Chiefs of Promotion Operation Sub-Divisions. No significant differences of the opinions towards the other aspects were found.