

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN PREVENTION AND RESOLUTION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS: A CASE STUDY OF PETCHABURI PROVINCE

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ABSTRACT

Abstract— The purpose is as followed : (1 To study the problem of Narcotics suppression in the area. (2 To study the concept and vision of the work affect involved people by using survey research. The samples were used for the study are residents, leaders of the village, and headman in Phetchaburi Province, including Thatakroa Subdistrict, Nongyaplong District, Songpeenong Subdistrict, Kangkrajjan District, Guiburi Subdistrict, Guiburi District, Klongwan Subdistrict, Muang District, Hoisai Subdistrict, Muang District, Ronthong Subdistrict, Bangsapan District. There were 112 samples by using simple random sampling method.

The interviewing tool was conducted to investigate the prevention, and to suppress the drug in the area, including interviews to study the concepts and attitudes of involved people in the area. The results showed that people and community leaders recognize and understand about the drugs problem within the community. The people in the area cooperate very well to solve the problem, as they have confidence in the community leaders that are able to solve the drugs problem. People have the attitude that drugs create huge problems for their children, and it also have a chance to expand to the region, and the national level, including the people in the area. Furthermore, the community leaders also have the idea to present better solutions to efficiently solve the drug problems in the area.

Keywords— Participation, Narcotic Drugs

INTRODUCTION

In order to solve the drugs problem, the policy of every government is to focus on building the immunity of all sectors, along with the government, the private sector and the people to prevent weakness and create a shield that will prevent the drug to increase and more expand. The major issue is that most drugs are produced from the border or neighbors. To emphasize on the involvement of all stakeholders will play an important role in effectively coordinating the cooperation together. The village headman, the community leader, and the volunteer have their own important role to create a fence for the village or community in order to prevent the drug abuse by mainly focusing on children and youth. We can process by organizing an integrated society, expanding the area and increasing positive activities for the youth, for example, a sports field against drugs, music field, creative activities field. These activities are arranged to pull them away from drugs. These missions play an important role in reducing the risk behavior of drugs. Despite the various preventive measures, the drugs problem continues to expand rapidly and has a direct impact on security and country development potential. Therefore, the government consider the drugs problem as an important mission to hurry up eliminating the problem by determining the work process in solving the problems, including the management of capacity building, creativity of anti-drugs trend, checking the information of the relevant people by suppressing and supporting in news seeking process and prosecution. These actions will solve the drugs problem successfully.

For the above mentioned reasons, the government is serious about tackling drug problems. And the roles of knowledge management and organizational the narcotics problem is a severely serious problem that caused damage and loss for families, communities, and society in the nation. In order to promote and encourage people to be participate in problem solving and strengthen the community by giving the community to have the potential to manage drug problems by themselves, and to set up long-term drug surveillance in the area. This is to make the country secure, wealthy and sustainable follow the government's civil plans.

MANUSCRIPT LAYOUT

1. To study the problem of Narcotics suppression in the area.
2. To study the concept and vision of the work of relevant people

METHODOLOGY

This study is a survey research. The study population samples are residents, leaders of the village, and headman in Phetchaburi Province, including Thatakroa Subdistrict, Nongyaplong District, Songpeenong Subdistrict, Kangkrajan District, Guiburi Subdistrict, Guiburi District, Klongwan Subdistrict, Muang District, Hoisai Subdistrict, Muang District, Ronthong Subdistrict, Bangsapan District. There were totally 112 samples by simple random sampling method. The interviews created by the researcher was conducted to investigate the participation of people in the area in order to prevent and suppress the drug, including interviews to study about the concepts and attitudes of stakeholders in the area.

RESULTS

1. To study the problem of Narcotics suppression in the area.

From the study found that the drug problem in Phetchaburi Province is continuously intensified by the days. It is a seriously national problem. All social communities are affected by the drugs problem. Nowadays, many people are facing the problem of drug abuse in Thai society. Although there are measures to prevent and suppress illegal drug dealers and drug addicts, but it is not possible to eliminate the drugs. Since they are complicated movements, day by days, the drugs problem is intensified doubly. We can say that drugs problem is a major problem in the country, as it affects other issues in the country. Drugs problem in Thailand have changed and expanded as a result of political, economic and social changes, society and technology. Economic development has changed dramatically that caused the social structure changed in the way of lacking of power and balance. Many social institutions are weak that caused social gaps and further making the problem of drug dispersion faster and more extensive. Those people who involve in drug trafficking, such as capitalists, producers, traders, importers and exporters of drugs use the effect of these changes to take both existing and new drugs to disperse in each group public, which is a vital human resource for national development. Drugs problem is a harm that threat and undermine Thailand in a wide impact to both individual and communal society in many ways. Regarding the impact to individual, all kinds of drugs has a direct impact on the body and mind, especially to personality and health. It cause life and property damages and also impact on the family, community and society. Families with addicts often suffered from drug addicts in all aspects. It leads to frustration, conflict and waste in solving problems. Addicts often commit crimes, such as relating to all vices, pilfering, injuring life and property, gambling and doing crime. Regarding the trafficked persons who are the head of family, when they were arrested and executed. This will affect family members suffering from economic and social problems. Especially, children and youth who are under the supervision must leave school. This is destroying the future of the nation. The drugs problem also impact on government management. The continued rise of drug cases burden on the justice system. It impacts the high cost of the state, and make other litigation process delayed. In addition, drug problems have caused corruption, particularly malpractice, bribery, bullying, extortion, seeking the benefit of the offender, which causes the public and society neither trust nor have confidence in the work of government officials. It impacts on the economy and government fiscal management. Production and trade of drugs organized as a business group with non-production economy. Although some drug traffickers will add value and generate revenue when trading, but it is an income for some people who violate the law and exploit the society. The government has to spend a lot of money in prevention, suppression, treatment and rehabilitation, instead of spending it for other purposes as needed. Furthermore, the government has to loss many resources in preventing and resolving problems needlessly. It also affects human resources, since the drug has a destructive effect on the body, mind and brain of children and youth, and also labors who will be the power of the country in the future. The drugs problem impacts on the stability and reputation of the country. Due to the fact that drugs problem has impact on economic stability. Society, and politics, both inside and outside the country, especially affect the relationship between Thailand and neighbors that is the site of drug production. The epidemic of drugs will cause damage in the reputation and honor of Thailand. It is not an international trust in the safety of life and property. Foreigners do not dare to go sightseeing, invest or do the business. In particular, the rival countries are opportunistic in attacking Thailand.

2. To study the concept and vision of the work affect involved people.

Table 1
The concept and vision

Suggestions	Percentage
1. They are satisfied with the operation of the agency and the staff who have assisted in various aspects of the community.	14.92
2. They want the community development team to carry out mass relations activities in various fields and continuous staying at the village forever.	48.21
3. They want the anti-drug officials to seriously act in preventing and suppressing. For example, arresting the traders for punishment, in order to eliminate the drug problem disappeared from the village, providing a petition box about drugs inside the village.	9.82
4. They want the anti-drug officials to often organize community activities, such as training for addicts, etc.	5.36
5. They want the anti-drug officials to patrol around the village both day and night.	6.25
6. There should be surveillance of teens concerning with drugs in the village.	2.68
7. They want to have a development activity or a career support fund to generate income, and to spend free time to benefit.	4.46
8. The law enforcement should be strictly applied.	0.89
9. They want the anti-drug officials process more concrete action.	0.89
10. Other requirements, such as informing at the village meeting about the mother's land grant, arranging the land for career and issue the privilege of own land, providing the right place to distribute waste at each point in the village, providing the budget of basketry.	6.25

It was found that the people in the working area of the Mass Development team have suggestions about requesting the community development to carry out mass relations activities in various fields and continuous staying at the village forever, accounted for 48.21%. Secondary, they are satisfied with the operation of the agency and the staff who have assisted in various aspects of the community, accounted for 14.92%. Furthermore, they want the anti-drug officials to seriously act in preventing and suppressing. For example, arresting the traders for punishment, in order to eliminate the drug problem disappeared from the village, providing a petition box about drugs inside the village, accounted for 9.82%. They also require the anti-drug officials to patrol around the village both day and night, and others requirements (such as informing at the village meeting about the mother's land grant, arranging the land for career and issue the privilege of own land, providing the right place to distribute waste at each point in the village, providing the budget of basketry, equally accounted for equally 6.25%. They want the anti-drug officials to often organize community activities, such as training for addicts, etc. at 5.36%. About the requirement of development activity or a career support fund to generate income, and to spend free time to benefit was at 4.46%. Regarding to the surveillance of teens concerning with drugs in the village, applying the law enforcement by strictly, the anti-drug officials process more concrete action and lack of budget to take seriously, equally at 0.89%.

3. Discuss the results: Participation of people in the area

The results of the analysis of people's satisfaction in the work area of the Mass Development team, have overall satisfaction at the highest level. The mean was 4.68. When considering each case, it was found that the people in the working area of the Mass Development team who were the sample, were satisfied with the instillation of patriotism, embracing the monarchy, religion, monarchy is the first (=4.76). The second rank is the Mass Development team to push the village or community to be strong (= 4.73). The third rank is the development of the Mass Development team to push the village to get the mother's land fund and they help to advise villagers to stay away from drugs (= 4.71 equally). The fourth rank is the mass development to instill consciousness into harmony (= 4.70). The fifth rank is the Mass Development team to train the knowledge in the village or community (= 4.67). The sixth rank is the Mass Development team to work in the village or community, to driven the village to get the mother's land fund, to help the drug addicts in the village, to conduct training the members of the drug prevention volunteer and to arrange the center for learning to solve drug problems (=4.66 equally). The seventh rank is the Mass Development team has been integrated into all sectors (= 4.65). The eighth rank is the Mass Development team has established the village surveillance system and fund (=4.62). The ninth rank is about Mass Development team has arranged many projects in the village or community (= 4.61). Lastly, the Mass Development team has settled down working in the village (= 4.60), respectively.

SUGGESTIONS

Suggestions from research results

1. Workers should perform various tasks, continuous staying at the village forever. This will result in the satisfaction of the operations of the agencies and staffs assisting in various aspects of the community.
2. There should be care and control the officers who take care of the drug prevention and suppression seriously. For example, arresting the traffickers for the drug out of the village, providing a petition box about drugs inside the village.
3. Officials should patrol around the village both day and night.
4. There should be surveillance of teens concerning with drugs in the village, strictly applying the law enforcement in order to complete more concrete action.
5. The officials should discuss the problem of drug addiction in the village. Providing expert who can provide treatment, or settle the treatment centre to know about treatment for drug addicts and let the people in the community know, participate and encourage the addicts throughout the treatment period.
6. The officials should organize a meeting of headers or leaders in the village to solve the problem of drugs and develop rules/regulations/orders of the community to monitor drug problems, including public relations for people in the community to know and participate in drug problem surveillance.
7. The officials should organize activities in prevention and resolution of narcotic problems that match the situation and the cause of the problem by publicly exploring the problem and admitting.
8. The officials should set up a village/community surveillance fund and provide a place to use as a learning center on drug prevention and problem solving.
9. Encourage people in the community to participate in the establishment of a learning center for meetings and study drug problems. There may be a study visit or study with others village of mother's land fund.
10. Fund raising or joint venture with the mother's land fund to resolve drug problems.
11. The policy and goals should be clearly defined. And policies should be psychologically sound, such as legal action against drug-related people, detention measures, and not to bail on drug offenders.
12. It should encourage the integration of the plan, budgeting and administration at the district level seriously.
13. The officials should create knowledge and understanding to the community leaders in order to recognize and awareness of drug addiction, and encouragement of local drug problem solving.
14. The officials should support the creation of a data center to gather knowledge and information about both domestic and abroad drugs, analyze the situation and predict future trends of drugs problem.
15. The officials should encourage surveillance in the youth, both in and out of the education system, drug addicts in the community, and other people at risk of drug use.
16. The officials should encourage the development of community-level information systems, provide database links and data synthesis, and use the information to benefit.
17. The regulations on drug prevention and suppression should be clearly defined and classified. The regulations should be repealed to reduce operational procedures in some cases. Moreover, rules and regulations that caused obstacle to work should be adjusted.
18. The officials should disseminate drug knowledge and drug abuse to villages and communities to prevent new drug users. As a result, it decreases the number of drug addicts and increases the effectiveness of arresting the drug addicts in the responsible area that cause to reduce the number of addicts.

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