

Abstract

The objectives of "The Northern Migrants' Way of Life in Bangkok Metropolis" were :

1. To study Northern migrants' way of life as economic, social and cultural adaptations.
2. To study problems and problems solving patterns of Northern migrants.

A sample in this study was 15 female Northern migrants food venders in Jatujak, Sapan Kwai area - depth interviews and participant observation were employed as means of data collection.

Wirth's Theory, Compositional Theory, Subcultural Theory were used as theoritical guideline data analysis. Symbolic Interactionist framework was also used in this study for the analysis of interaction process of adaptation. The findings of the study indicate that the Northern migrants' adaptation process is consistent most with subcultural theory. This study also found that the migrants' economic, social and cultural adjustment was relatively smooth due to voluntary nature of their migration and strong ethnic identification.

- Implication and suggestion for this research were also included.