

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION

Thailand is a country which has a lot of tourism places to visit. Tourism is one aspect that has hold up the economy of the country, which causes the number of prostitution to increase. For centuries, everything has been changing around but one thing never changed until nowadays. It is prostitution, sex worker, and sex trade. Prostitution is one of the old occupations in the world. It exists in all countries around the world. In some countries, prostitution is legal, but in some other countries it is still illegal. Thai is a country that legalizes prostitution. In Thailand, prostitution exists and influences the society. Prostitution can be a good job and a bad job. It depends on how people see it. People can see from different points of view. Thailand was once legalized prostitution. Most people worked as prostitutes by their willingness. Based on Buddhism, prostitution is not a bad thing, because Buddhists think that children should return favor to their parents. In poor families, they can do nothing, except being prostitutes, because this job does not require any knowledge. In Buddhism, women could not be monks as men. Therefore, parent let their daughters become prostitutes by willingness.

However, it is not only the factor why women become prostitutes. There are many factors why women become prostitutes. For example, they come from trafficking groups which prey on women and send them to brothels. In this era, most prostitutes are forced by trafficking not by their willingness. Time by time,

the number of prostitution is increasing and it gives bad effects and a bad reputation to the country.

Therefore, the government should take some actions. Every prime minister has their own decision to solve this problem. In the era of Chuan, he wrote six main laws against, the prostitutes, clients, agents (pimp) and also brothel owners. The government established domestic or international laws and administration by signing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with some international governmental and non-governmental organization. In the era of Chuan, he also gave trainings and workshops to the police and women about good and bad sides of prostitution. In addition, in the era of Thaksin the government took actions. It established five main laws to fight against and solve this problem. He was setting up the fund to solve it, by signing up Memorandum of Understanding with Laos's government and also with other governmental and non-governmental organizations.

Both of them worked really hard to solve this issue, because it is a national problem that has given bad effects to the country. Prostitution increases the country's income; however it is against human right, because some women are forced by others to be prostitutes. Their life is their own decision to be what they want. They should not be threatened by others. Therefore, the government should be responsible to solve this problem, no matter how hard it is. The government should try to find solutions whether they will be effective or not. When solving a problem, not all solutions will be effective. However, doing something is better than doing nothing. Nowadays, this problem still exists but the government did

not stop doing their job. It just takes time, the important thing to make it a success is the cooperation between government and the society.