Abstract

Research Project Title: The Missing Delicacies from Khan-Toke Dining Culture

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The aim of this research is to study about foods and culture in many aspects such as maintaining, changing or losing of their identity. The field study is Baan Luang – Nua, a Tai-Lue village, Thambon Luang – Nua, Doisaket District, Chiang Mai. Anthropological approach has been used as a research methodology - participant observation, non-participant observation, formal interview, in-depth interview – and interprets all data with analytical descriptive writing technique. This research studies through physical, social and cultural factors.

The result can provide by four dimensions. It founds that culture is important for living in Tai-Lue lifestyle. They show theirs collective identity from their history background until settle down here. Food culture is as a way of their life for understand both of sameness and different toward local community to urban level. By receiving, adaptation and assimilation of food culture, it becomes ordinary everyday life. Actually; food culture in community never lost that sense. They just fade away sometime. These are consequent from development paradigm of bureaucratic state and concept of modernity.