

ABSTRACT

Mobile Development Unit

The National Security Organization, which was established on April 10, 1962, is responsible for carrying out the mobile development program as one of its agency tasks. The stated purpose of this program is to accelerate development, especially in the remote and backward areas. The development strategy is to promote economic, social, cultural well-being, as well as to establish a good measure of national security. The program is operated in the form of a positive program, and it is based mainly on close cooperation between government officials from various agencies, militarymen, policemen and civilians. Each mobile development unit has its mobile development teams, and each team is assigned to be responsible in a particular area.

The purpose of this thesis is to make a perspective survey of planning process of the Mobile Development Program. And, according to the study, the program is proved worthwhile in both economic and social aspects. It would help to improve people's understanding of the present government's policies or not depends partly upon cooperation between the government officials themselves and partly upon sufficient instruments and facilities provided by the government and by foreign aid agencies.

However, the writer would like recommend the following measures as means to improving efficiency and effectiveness:

- I. There should be a research and evaluation unit attached to the central office of the National Security Organization. This unit would help in providing sound data for more accurate planning.
- II. The duration of operation for each mobile development unit team should be a little longer in order that the team can have enough time to see the job done thoroughly.
- III. The number of villages and hamlets in the coverage areas should be increased, resulting of course in an increase in the number of people to be developed under this program.
- IV. In order to improve the non-material aspects of the program and create more and more understanding between the people in those areas and the government officials, there should be, in each team, some government officials who understand and get along with people in those areas to act as liaison officers, ensuring full communication between the villagers and the other Development Unit members.

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