## Qualitative data of interview with the owner of Wat Pracha flea Market Interviewed on November 9, 2022 At Wat Pracha flea Market Wat Pracharabuedham, Dusit District, Bangkok

Interviewer: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Phusit Phukamchanod informant: Ms. Karunya Thima (Auntie Pom) participant: Ms. Udom Srimongkol, Manager of Phatbhat Wat Pracharabuedham Career Group Photographer: Ms. Mukmani Siriwongkhan Time: 2:00 p.m.

## **Pre-interview context (survey and observation)**

When reaching the community at 1:00 p.m., make an appointment for the innovator or leader, Mrs. Udom Srimongkol. Manager of the Vocational Group of Wat Pracharabuedham and Mr. Sittichai Lerdanan Chairman of the Wat Pracharabuedham community to see the temple yard, stalls, hawkers, and a place to sell a variety of products of traders, traders, and traders. merchant young teenagers, the elderly, what to find. as follows;

- There are 7 types of stalls: (1) ready-to-eat cooked food, curry, fried fish, chili paste, boiled fresh vegetables, stir-fried noodles, etc., (2) fresh food, fish, squid, shrimp, pork, etc., (3) fresh vegetables, ginger, galangal, lemongrass, kaffir lime leaves, onions, garlic, etc., (4) clothing, cosmetics, (5) utensils, general food, soap, etc. toothpaste, spoons, snacks, (6) lottery stalls, monk stalls, hawkers, and (7) dried herbal medicines and herbal products

- Small and large stalls have a total of 50 stalls, both the old stalls and the new stalls are added every day

- The market yard has 6 entrances and exits, entrances and exits, and 9 important places as follows: (1) Two-Story Chapel (2) 2-storey pavilion (3) Mae Sai Yai Shrine (4) Temple of Pracharabuedham (5) Multi-purpose building, located at the Wat Pracharabudham Vocational Center, Dusit Rabue Dham Vocational Group, Herbal Balm Occupational Group, and Community Digital Center. (6) Wat Pracharabuedham School (7) Wat Pracharabuedham 1 Community Health Center (8) The House of the Chairman of the Wat Pracharabuedham Community (9) Public toilet of Wat Pracharabuedham

## Area to build community power at Wat Pracharabuedham

## Summary of the interview with Auntie Pom (Mrs. Karunya Tima), 68 years.

- Over 30 years ago, during the first 1-10 years, the temple grounds were still dirt, walkways, and waterways. It was the pioneering era of marketing. At first, only 10 shops were invited. Life was full of ups and downs, with both mocking words and the mafia (extortionists). The market was open from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Each shop had food for 10 baht, clothing for 40 baht, and amulet stalls and old people were peddling for no more than 20 baht. There was a parallel market, the Samsen Market, which was open only on Sundays. On Sundays, people who were not regulars would go there, which charged a higher stall fee of about 100-200 baht per stall. Currently, the Wat Pracha flea Market is a name that the locals call it. There are 50-100 shops/stalls.

- Informing the store to come and sell, you can inform Auntie Pom verbally. There will be someone to take care of the point for setting up the sales stall.

- Making a market is more difficult than getting people to come to the market because people like free things, like the saying "Temple Fair Food Hall" [Free]. Many times, one day, there will be 500 baht left to take home. Especially 30 years ago, I almost didn't get anything. I have endured until today and received a guarantee from Bangkok about the food in the market that "Pom Market (Dusit District)" has been certified as having good quality and safe food standards in 2019. Even though the name has changed, people still call it and the old name is familiar as "Wat Pracha flea Market", which is a Wednesday and Sunday market.

- The lowest average daily income is 3,000 baht per day (net income) after deducting other expenses.

- The decision to charge a certain amount per panel depends solely on Auntie Pom, the owner of the Wat Pracha flea Market.

- The expenses to be paid are (1) merit making for the temple, (2) water and electricity, (3) temple cleaning staff, (4) hitchhiker fee, (5) garbage sweeper fee, (6) garbage collector fee (officer of Bangkok), and (7) toilet cleaner fee

- The most common problems are local people's cars parking the way of vendors, local people throwing garbage together with the market, motorcyclists and tricycles taking water to wash their personal vehicles, and secretly using electricity. We must be responsible for these things.

-This area has the power to drive the career of the villagers. The researcher asked the last question: If the profession of producing herbal products sets up a stall in the Wat Pracha flea Market, will it ask for cooperation in providing a suitable place? The answer confirmed many times with Aunt Dom, who is a professional group, that "I am willing to arrange a good place" (Karunya Tima, 2022).