Second Phase of field research in Bangkok between 1st of January and 28th of February 2012

In the course of 8 weeks we re-interviewed most of the persons we had already met in the course of our first research phase. Trying the new setting of Focus Group Discussions, we found this an interesting approach leading to new findings. Therefore we asked



some more parents and children to participate in our project. One girl asked us to be among the sample and we were happy to include her in the project.

Next to children with disabilities, their parents and teachers we were able to establish contact with around 10 additional experts including a monk, a philosopher, a medical doctor, caretakers in orphanages etc. We hope to broaden the perspective by including their voices. We interviewed around 70 persons in approximately 15 different educational settings. The research team (3 local researchers and Michelle) met at least every two weeks to exchange on findings, rescheduling and to discuss translations of Focus Group Discussions. Cooperation with almost all schools worked out perfectly.

All in all the research team is very happy with the outcome of this research phase but we would have wished for more time to continue our research activities.



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