

Ancient Faith in Digital Era: The Transformative Journey of Thai Buddhist Beliefs

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ABSTRACT

Background: Thai society has a large population of Buddhists which there is a diversity of beliefs that vary from person to person and society regarding diversity of beliefs as well.

Objective: The article entitled “Ancient Faith in Digital Era: The Transformative Journey of Thai Buddhist Beliefs” aims to explore the persistence of religious and supernatural belief systems among Thai Buddhists in an increasingly modernized society.

Methodology: The article explores how traditional Buddhist cosmology coexists alongside scientific advancement and technological innovation in contemporary Thailand. Philosophical investigation, content analysis and descriptive method was employed for the studies

Result: Despite rapid socioeconomic transformation and global interconnectivity, findings reveal remarkable continuity in faith practices that transcend historical periods. The investigation documents a complex belief landscape encompassing formal Buddhist doctrine centered on the Triple Gem (Buddha, Dharma, Sangha), alongside more diverse contextual practices including astrological divination, veneration of sacred objects, ritual magic, and talismanic protection. These supernatural dimensions of faith appear to serve important psychological functions by providing believers with emotional resilience and existential security amidst societal flux. While acknowledging the subjective nature of faith traditions.

Conclusion: Thai Buddhists beliefs can coexist with Science and Technology advancement in Digital Era

Unique contribution: This work contributes to our understanding of how religious beliefs adapt and persist within evolving cultural frameworks, suggesting that modernization does not necessarily diminish spiritual practices but may transform their expression and social significance.

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