

Abstract

This thesis is a description of Chaobon (nahkur), an Austroasiatic language in Thailand. It is spoken by one of the minority groups in Thailand. The thesis includes phonology and grammar of the language, especially of the dialect spoken in Wangkampaeng Village, Tambon Cheebon, Bankwaw District, Chaiyapoom Province.

The phonological description consists of the Intonation Group, the Stress Group, the Syllable and the Phoneme. The grammatical description gives basic grammatical characteristic on the word, phrase, clause and sentence levels. It also consists of a small description of the paragraph and discourse levels. The tagmemic approach is used to describe the language.

The comparative study of the various Chaobon 'dialects and of Chaobon with other closely related Mon-Khmer languages are suggested for further studies.

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