Nang Rong Projects Life History Calendars

Over the last two survey years, 1994 and 2000, a Life History Calendar (LHC) has been administered in both the household and migrant follow-up interviews: Form 5 in the 1994 Household Survey, Form 10 in the 1994 Migrant Follow-Up Survey, Form 5 in the 2000 Household Survey and Form 11 in the 2000 Migrant Follow-Up Survey. The design of each LHC has generally been the same across the four survey forms. However, the guidelines as to who was administered the LHC and the starting and ending ages has not been completely consistent across the survey forms. The following chart describes the specific guidelines for each LHC, lists the actual minimum and maximum ages of the respondents in the data, and notes how the data files are currently sorted:

1994 Household Survey - Form 5
- completed by resident 18 – 35 year olds and their resident spouses only
- always starts @ age 13 and ends at the individual’s current age
- three spouses as young as 15; one spouse as old as 59
- sorted by HHID94, CEP94 and Q5_1_1

1994 Migrant Follow-Up - Form 10
- completed by resident 13 – 45 year olds and their resident spouses only
- always starts @ age 13 but always ends at age 35
- eight migrants as young as 13; one spouse as old as 61
- sorted by MID, MCEP8 and Q10_1_1

2000 Household Survey - Form 5
- completed by resident 18 – 41 year olds and their resident spouses only
- either starts @ age 13 or starts @ current age-10 years and ends at current age
- three spouses as young as 14; one spouse as old as 69
- sorted by HHID00, CEP00 and X5_1AGE

2000 Migrant Follow-Up - Form 11
- completed by resident 18 – 51 year olds and their resident spouses only
- always starts @ age 13 and ends at current age
- one spouse as young as 14; one spouse as old as 65
- sorted by MID00, MCEP00 and X11_1AGE

Each of the four LHC’s are currently sorted using the age identifier, but could be sorted using the buddhist era year identifier as well. Each LHC asks the same set of questions related to residence, education and jobs as well as monkhood and being a soldier for men and birth of children for ever married women.