

## Methodology

### *I The surveys*

The surveys of the (+) primary vegetation along the sand-beach coast of Songkhla province from Sating-Phra district to Thee-Paa district had been conducted from March 1993 - September 1994 in order to select a sample site for the vegetation and flora study

### *II The vegetation and flora study*

A transected line from the edge of the sand ridge with right angle to the the shore line had been selected. This transected line starts at the rim of the sand ridge next to the shore through the vegetation. Along this transected line, four 40X10 m<sup>2</sup> plots were laid at 40 m interval to study the vegetation structure and zonation of the vegetation. The vegetation profiles had been made

The plant species composition survey of the whole study area is achieved. The plant collections had been made once a month from march 1993 - September 1993 and from May 1997 - December 1998. Voucher specimens are at PSU Herbarium, The Natural History Museum of Prince of Songkla University at Hat Yai, Songkhla.