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EXECUTION OF IMPRISONMENT FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF CONVICTED MEN

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Abstract

The subject of this thesis is serving of prison sentences by male prisoners in standard prisons in Czech Republic. The aim is to develop a theoretical model of the social stock of knowledge of convicts, which serves them to organize their daily experience and to navigate their sentence. To do this, qualitative field research was conducted in a typical high security prison. Data was collected in the form of twelve unstructured interviews that were subsequently analyzed by reflexive thematic analysis methodology (Braun & Clarke, 2022). Based on the results of the analysis, a theoretical model was constructed. It consists of six interrelated themes that form a body of social knowledge of convicts. The results were discussed in relation to existing knowledge, the methodology used, validity and potential applications to penitentiary practice.

Keywords

Sociology of prison life, execution of imprisonment, convict, social constructivism, field research, reflexive thematic analysis