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## Thai Enquirer Summary

### Covid-19 News

- The Centre for Covid-19 Situation Administration (CCSA) has ruled out a possible lockdown of the capital following a prominent doctor's call for the government to lockdown Bangkok in the wake of rising infections.
  - ❖ In response to the lockdown call by Associate Professor Dr Nithipat Jiarakul, CSSA spokesman Taweessin Visanuyothin said serious outbreaks at construction camps and other city venues can be contained with local measures.
    - He insisted that the CSSA will maintain its "bubble and seal" policy of localised measures to contain the contagion and stop it spreading from hotspots. The CCSA fears that putting Bangkok in a lockdown will prompt movement to the provinces and lead to more infections, Dr Taweessin said.
  - ❖ Dr Nithipat, chief of Siriraj Hospital's Division of Respiratory Disease and Tuberculosis Department, posted in his Facebook page yesterday asking the government to impose a 7-day lockdown to prevent the collapse of the capital's health system amid bed shortages.

- Dr Nitipat’s Facebook post said, “it seems like we are cornered, there are not that many options left”, warning that the number of daily new cases is not decreasing and could potentially exceed 10,000.
- He also said there had been a higher ratio of elderly and people with underlying diseases among those infected in the third wave, and they usually take longer time to recover.
- ❖ Patients in severity level 1 will normally require a ventilator to breathe. The number of available beds that could handle cases with severity level 2 and 3 at major public hospitals is now less than 5%, Dr Nitipat said.
- The number of infections continues to rise in Thailand and today’s numbers are again more than 4,100 (the highest number in the month of June).



- Total Number of New Infections - 4,108
  - ✓ Community Infections - 3,879
  - ✓ Prison Infections - 229
- Total New Death - 31
- Total New Discharge - 1,578
- In the latest development, the Department Medical Services has now reported that beds designated for patients in a critical condition at all state-run hospitals in Bangkok are now fully occupied by COVID-19 infected patients with severe symptoms.

- ❖ Although Bangkok has around 200 private hospitals, each of them has 1 or 2 ICUs and they do not have sufficient staff to look after all the COVID-19 patients.
- ❖ To tackle the hospital bed shortage, Medical Services Department Director-General Dr. Somsak Akksilp suggested that the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) and community leaders adopt a “bubble and seal” measure in each community, to separate the infected.
- ❖ In case elderly people, Dr. Somsak said they should be given vaccinations before they are transferred to hospitals and that all bed-ridden people must be inoculated too, adding that the new infection rate must be reduced as quickly as possible, otherwise the existing health system will be overwhelmed.
- Bangkok has seen a sharp increase in the number of cases
  - ❖ With 956 cases reported yesterday bringing the total to 62,476 cases from April 1
  - ❖ Samut Prakarn followed Bangkok
  - ❖ Samut Sakorn followed 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - ❖ Songkla was 4<sup>th</sup> in Thailand
  - ❖ Chonburi 5<sup>th</sup>

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1. กรุงเทพฯ	956	62,476	
2.สมุทรปราการ	501	14,491	
3.สมุทรสาคร	240	5,988	
4.สงขลา	185	3,133	
5.ชลบุรี	142	6,768	
6.ปัตตานี	120	1,298	
7.ปทุมธานี	93	6,721	
8.ราชบุรี	91	1,141	
9.นราธิวาส	89	1,610	
10.นครปฐม	79	3,304	

- The number of beds available is falling for all be it for ICU, hospital beds or even Hospitel.

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	ครองเตียง	เตียงว่าง
• ห้องไอซียูความดันลบ	268	46
• หอผู้ป่วยวิกฤตที่ดัดแปลงเป็นห้องความดันลบ	689	68
• ห้องไอซียูรวม	267	34
• ห้องแยก	3,529	527
• ห้องสามัญ	6,582	1,458
• Hospitel	10,263	3,627
• เตียงสนาม	2,541	803

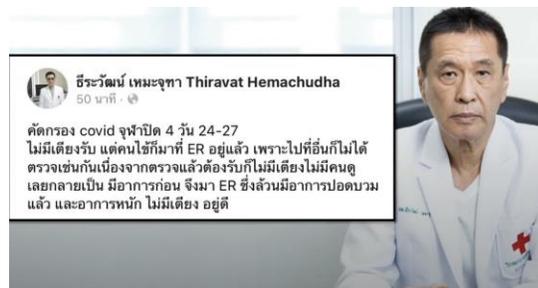
- ❖ For ICU only - 46 beds remain available
- ❖ For ER (Emergency Room) - only 68 beds are available
- ❖ For normal hospital room - 527 beds
- ❖ General Room - 1,458 beds

- The number of patients in ICU and on life support has been on the rise.



- ❖ As of yesterday those in ICU was at 1,526 and on life support at 433 patients.

- Yesterday Chulalongkorn Hospital came out to announce that it will close its Covid-19 testing center because they do not have beds to accommodate those who test positive. The testing will be closed until June 27<sup>th</sup>.



- Despite grave concerns about the problem of bed shortages echoed by leading medical professionals, Anutin Charnvirakul, the Minister of Public Health, has come out to ensure there are sufficient hospital beds available for COVID-19 patients, acknowledging criticism on vaccine procurement and call for vaccine deals disclosure.
  - ❖ Anutin has reassured hospitals in Thailand still have sufficient capacity to handle COVID-19 patients, as daily cases are still in the thousands. He said the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) is ready to support hospitals in Bangkok in providing more hospital beds for COVID-19 patients if requested.
    - Anutin insisted that the resources available are currently at a manageable level, adding there are no shortages to medicines and protective equipment.
  - ❖ The Public Health Minister also said the MoPH is on track with the vaccine rollout, with an average of 300,000 doses administered daily. The MoPH has been in talk with AstraZeneca to continue supplying the jabs to Thailand as ordered.
- But Anutin came out to say that as many as 4 field hospitals surrounding the city need to be looked into.
- Criticism of highly priced SinoVac continues to be a big issue in Thailand as questions are being raised on why the vaccines are so expensive.
  - ❖ After a leading professor at Chulalongkorn University who questioned the costs and efficacy of the jabs, Anutin said he has sent the details of SinoVac vaccine deal to persons requested.
  - ❖ Anutin said his ministry has established monthly contracts with the Chinese vaccine manufacturer instead of a monthly commitment, with the price at US \$15 per dose, inclusive of logistics. Another 2 million doses of SinoVac arrived in Thailand bringing the total number of SinoVac doses to 10.5 million.

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**แต่ละยี่ห้อ ต่อโดส ราคาเท่าไร**

วัคซีน	ต้องฉีด	ราคาต่อโดส (บาท)	รวม (บาท)
Sinovac ซิโนแวค	2	945	2,835
AstraZeneca แอสตราเซเนกา	2	68-166	136-332
Moderna โมเดิร์น	2	794-1,176	1,588-2,352
Pfizer ไฟเซอร์ ไบโอดีเอ็นเอก	2	620	1,240
Sputnik V สปุตนิค วี	2	317	634
Janssen จอห์นสัน แอนด์ จอห์นสัน	1	317	317
Novavax โนวาแวกซ์	2	508	1,016

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- As for vaccination, the plans of vaccinating 100 million doses by the end of the year seems to be becoming more of a dream as the actual inoculation numbers are less than 50% of the targets each day.
  - ❖ Yesterday a mere 241,639 doses were administered
  - ❖ The number needed to reach the 100 million doses by December 31, 2021 is 478,395 doses per day until the last day of this year.



- The French Embassy in Bangkok has managed to get its approval for its citizens to be vaccinated and has asked its citizens to register for the vaccines. This comes as the United States embassy yesterday issued a letter saying that it does not have such policy.
  - ❖ Those who are French citizen and need vaccines of Johnson & Johnson should start to register at any of the Bangkok Hospitals around the country (Bangkok, Pattaya, Hua Hin, Khon Kaen, Chiang Mai, Phuket, Samui).

- **Creative Go-Go bars gone bust**

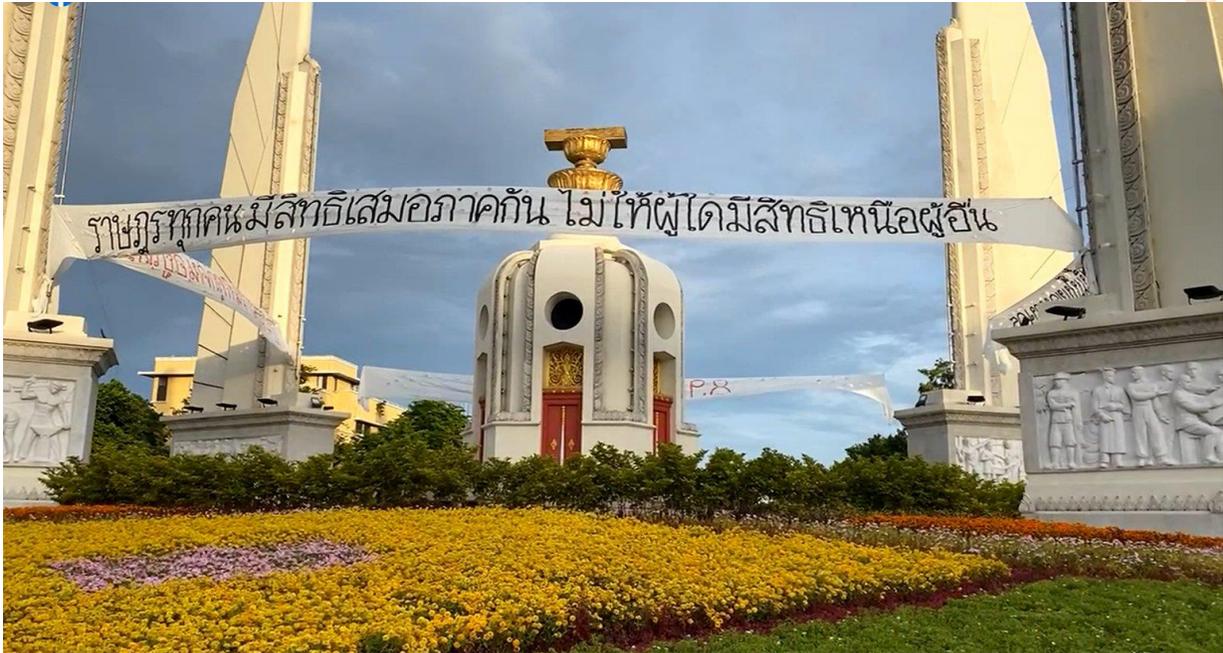
- ❖ After months of no job as bars around the country remain closed, nearly a dozen go-go dancing girls got high-tech and went to offer their services online to clients around the world.
  - ❖ But as luck would have it a police bust (as they had rented a room to make it look like a dancing stage in Pattaya) broke the rules of having more than a certain number of people gather.
  - ❖ Their price tag for each drink was at 150 baht per drink
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### **Political News**

- Today marks the 1<sup>st</sup> protest by the Ratsadorn group that has gone underground for the past few months amid outbreak of Covid-19 in Thailand this comes as the parliament is scheduled to vote for 13 charter amendment motions today while anti-government rallies by 5 political groups are set in motion outside parliament today.
  - ❖ The parliament's vote for charter amendment motions is expected to take place at around 16:00 hrs as a large number of lawmakers are expected to join the debate while anti-government rallies will be staged outside.
- A gathering of protestors and an announcement from the protestors took place at 05:00 hrs this morning, about the same time that the Siamese Revolution took place on this date in 1932.
  - ❖ This came despite the heavy presence of security authorities who had warned the demonstrators against gathering to mark the anniversary of the Siamese Revolution, citing the country's surging COVID-19 infections.

- ❖ Five key pro-democracy groups have announced plans for demonstrations across Bangkok to commemorate the 89<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Siamese Revolution.
  - The 5 groups are the Ratsadon group, the “Mu Ban Thalufa” group, the “Prachachon Khon Thai” group, led by Nitithorn Lamlua, the “New Generation of Democratic People of Nonthaburi” group, the “Samakkhi Prachachon” led by Jatuporn Prompan, leader of the former United Front for Democracy against Dictatorship,
  - On a social media platform, the Ratsadon group invited the public to join its commemoration ceremony from 5.30 hrs at the Democracy Monument before moving to the parliament to submit a letter to the Parliament to express its political stance at 17.00 hrs.
- ❖ Political activist Jatupat “Pai Daodin” Boonpatararaksa said he would petition Parliament Speaker Chuan Leekpai to accept the people’s constitution amendment draft at 13.00 hrs today.
  - Jatupat promised that he would lead rallies in a peaceful manner, with no intention of pressuring the parliament. After staging a rally in front of the parliament, his group will move to the skywalk crossing the Pathumwan intersection.
- ❖ Bangkok metropolitan police commissioner Pakapong Pongpetra said the police is ready to take care of the security for protests today. Police will focus on maintaining peace and order and follow the disease control regulation, he added.
- ❖ It is reported that riot police plan have been ordered to build a fortress of shipping containers near Thewakam Borirak Bridge, Chamai Maruchet Bridge and Makkhawan Rangsang Bridge ahead of planned rallies.

- ❖ The protest venues announced by the groups include key city roundabouts and public spaces - including the Democracy Monument and the downtown skywalk at a popular shopping district.
- ❖ There are also demonstrations planned across the country, from the tourist city of Chiang Mai in the north to the southern province of Nakhon Si Thammarat.



- More protests are planned through the day with the big one coming from United Front for Democracy against Dictatorship (UDD) Jatuporn Promphan and another splinter group from the People's Democratic Reform Council (PDRC) saying that he and his group would stay overnight near the Government House area.

- A charter amendment bill proposed by a group called Re-Solution has gained approval from Parliament Speaker Chuan Leekpai.
  - ❖ Somboon Uthaiwiankul, secretary to the Parliament Speaker, said Chuan has given the nod to the amendment draft submitted by led by Parit Wacharasindhu and 20 members of the Re-Solution group, citing that the Re-Solution's draft is not intended to overhaul the country's governing system and administration.
  - ❖ The parliament will inform Parit about the outcome and invite him to submit the list of 50,000 people who signed their names in support of the draft so that the proposal can be placed on the parliament's meeting agenda.
  - ❖ In the latest report, the Re-Solution has gathered nearly 40,000 names in support of its draft.
- Prime Minister Gen Prayut Chan-o-cha has raised his objection to charter amendment proposals seeking to amend sections 144 and 185 as he viewed that the 2 key sections are the key anti-corruption mechanisms.
  - “After following up on the House's debate on the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the charter amendment motions which the one seeking revisions to Sections 144 and 185, the Prime Minister as an ordinary citizen has voiced his disapproval on attempts to amend the 2 sections because the present constitution put an emphasis on fighting corruption and all stakeholders in budget spending procedures must be held accountable for their actions directly and indirectly,” Government spokesman Anucha Burapachaisri said.
  - ❖ The Phalang Pracharat Party (PPRP) has submitted charter amendment drafts seeking to amend Sections 144 and 185. Section 185 prohibits MPs and senators from using their position or influence to interfere for their own interest or the interest of a political party either directly or indirectly while Section 144

forbids lawmakers from increasing the annual budget expenditure bill. All they are permitted to do is trim the budget amounts during the scrutiny stage.

❖ Meanwhile, Deputy Prime Minister Gen Prawit Wongsuwan, as the Phalang Pracharat Party (PPRP)'s leader, has sent a signal to the party to backtrack on its push to seek revisions to the 2 sections.

➤ Gen Prawit confirmed with journalists that the PPRP will no longer seek amendments to the 2 section. He told his deputy leader and list MP Paiboon Nititawan to make an adjustment to the party's charter amendment motions.

➤ Gen Prawit also dismissed rumours that the PPRP would join forces with the opposition Pheu Thai Party in the next general election to forge a single-party government. He did not totally shut down the idea though as he said, "no one knows the future. I have not thought about anything".

- The 9-member National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) unanimously voted to take action against Kittirat Na Ranong, former deputy prime minister and commerce minister, in the previous government of former prime minister Yingluck Shinawatra, in an agreement related to the supply of rice from Thailand to Indonesia under the government-to-government (G2G) scheme, covering 300,000 tons of rice, in December 2021.

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### **Economic News**

- The Bank of Thailand (BoT) has lowered the country's economic growth projection for 2021 to 1.8%, down from 3% predicted in March, but kept the policy rate unchanged while Fitch Ratings has slashed Thailand GDP outlook to 1.08%.

- ❖ The Monetary Policy Committee at the central bank reduced its estimate of gross domestic product (GDP) growth in response to a downturn in international tourists and lower domestic demand impacted by the 3<sup>rd</sup> wave of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- ❖ The MPC also unanimously voted to maintain the benchmark policy rate at 0.5%, given that the 3<sup>rd</sup> wave of the Covid-19 epidemic has slowed the Thai economy to grow unevenly and less than expected, with a chance of a new wave of infections in the future.
  - “Assistance measures, especially loan rehabilitation and debt restructuring, must be accelerated as they will aid affected businesses and households more precisely than lowering the current low interest rate,” said the committee assistant-governor Titanun Mallikamas.
- ❖ However, the MPC upgraded its export growth forecast to an expansion of 17.1%, up from 10% previously, driven by global economic recovery.
- ❖ The GDP projection for 2022 was also reduced, to 3.9% from 4.7%.
- ❖ Projected tourist arrivals for this year plunged to only 700,000 from the 3 million expected earlier in March, despite the fact that Thailand is planning to open its border by October.
- ❖ Thailand’s GDP is expected by Fitch Ratings to grow by 1.8% in 2021 after a sharp 6.1% contraction in 2020, said Jeremy Zook, a Director in Fitch’s Asia-Pacific Sovereigns team at the agency’s Thailand Sovereign and Bank Outlook webinar. The recovery should gain more traction in 2022, leading to a GDP rebound of 4.2%. The sluggish recovery means the operating environment for Thai banks remains challenging. Nonetheless, risks are mitigated by Thai banks’ maintenance of adequate buffers, according to Fitch’s bank ratings team.

- The Federation of Thai SMEs Association proposed the government establish a new fund to assist SMEs, especially those which are with non-performing loans (SMEs).
  - ❖ During a meeting between Prime Minister Gen Prayut Chan-o-cha and the private sector including the Federation of Thai Industries (FTI), the Thai Chamber of Commerce (TCC), the Federation of Thai Industries, Thai Bankers' Association and the Federation of Thai SMEs Association.
  - ❖ Saengchai Teerakulvanich, president of the Federation of the Thai SMEs Association, proposed the government to set up a fund to help NPL-plagued SMEs to boost their liquidity.
  - ❖ Sanan Angubolkul, chairman of the TCC, called for the government to relax regulations in order to allow commercial institutions to have their own criteria to offer new credit lines.
- The Thai Chamber of Commerce (TCC) is in upbeat mood on the government's plan to reopen the country to international tourists and return to normal business conditions within 120 days, falling on October 14.
  - ❖ TCC chairman Sanan Angubolkul said the country reopening will restore foreign confidence that Thailand is ready to resume operations and welcome foreigners' funds.
  - ❖ He predicted that the reopening will help draw foreign tourists back to the country and provide a boost to the country's economy by 0.3 percentage points this year, resulting in spending worth about 50-100 billion baht between October and December this year.

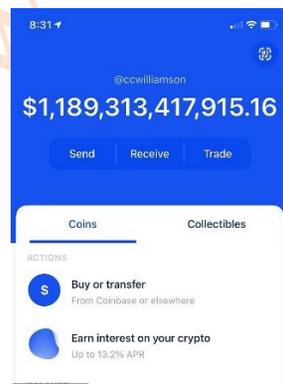
- ❖ Spending by international tourists will likely boost Thai economic growth by 0.3% to 0.8-2.3% this year, up from 0.5-2.0% as projected by The Joint Standing Committee on Commerce, Industry, and Banking (JSCCIB).
- ❖ He stressed that the country's reopening will help Thailand rehabilitate the domestic economy faster as tourists no longer travel only on weekends because they can now work from anywhere.
- ❖ As for a call by a leading doctor to lockdown Bangkok for 7 days, the TCC chairman said the lockdown will cause Thailand to lose opportunity while other countries that have opened borders stand to gain. He said anti-COVID jabs are the only way to safeguard Thai people.
- The Commerce Ministry is set to announce Thai export value in May today. Export growth for May are seen at a 40% gain as predicted by Commerce Minister Jurin Laksanawisit.
  - ❖ The Commerce Minister said Thai exports are likely to continue see a double-digit growth rate for the 2nd month in a row after 13.1% year-on-year growth in April.
  - ❖ Asia Plus Securities's executive vice president Therdsak Thaveeteeratham said the ministry's positive call is to benefit export-related industries. The market is expected to see active trading of export stocks which will push up the market today.
  - ❖ Stocks to watch out for are CPF and TFG.
- Delta Electronics (Thailand) Plc., has seen its shares put on 'Cash Balance' once again and this time until July 14<sup>th</sup> after the 'unusual' price fluctuation of on the bourse.

- ❖ Shares of DELTA ended the day yesterday up 30 baht or 5.7% at 556 baht a share.
- ❖ Over the past 1-months the shares have risen by 4.78% or 24 baht until yesterday.

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## **General News**

- Apple Daily, Hong Kong's voice of the people looking for democracy, has come out with its last edition today as the entire 1 million copies were snapped up within 05:00 hrs this morning.
  - ❖ <https://www.thaienquirer.com/28939/opinion-we-must-continue-the-work-that-apple-daily-started-in-the-face-of-oppression/>
- Overnight Trillionaire
  - ❖ Do you ever go to bed hoping and praying to be the world's 1<sup>st</sup> 'Trillionaire'?
    - Chris Williamson of Georgia had put in \$20 in a crypto and one fine day woke up to look at his net worth and guess what – he was worth \$1.18 trillion.



- ✓ <https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-9708841/Georgia-students-Rocket-Bunny-cryptocurrency-explodes-1trillion-Coinbase-glitch.html>
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### **Political News Headlines in Thai Media**

- A doctor at the largest public hospital in Thailand on Wednesday asked the government to lock down Bangkok for seven days to stop the spread of Covid-19 in the capital amid shortages of hospital beds.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/28921/leading-doctor-calls-for-bangkok-lockdown/>
- Relatives of forced disappearance victims visited parliament Wednesday to present a letter demanding to know why an anti-torture bill has been delayed.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/28915/families-question-delay-over-anti-torture-bill/>
- A leading professor at Chulalongkorn University has come out this week to criticize the government for its continued obsession with acquiring Sinovac vaccines. The professor joined Thai Enquirer to outline her grievances, the same one she shares with millions of other Thais.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/28886/leading-chula-professor-criticizes-governments-sinovac-obsession/>
- A new study conducted by the University of Oxford has found that the AstraZeneca vaccines is effective in combating both the Delta and Kappa variant of the Covid-19 virus.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/28895/astrazeneca-effective-against-delta-variant-new-study-finds/>
- Voting on 13 constitutional drafts on Thursday will go ahead separately, House Speaker Chuan Leekpai said on Wednesday.
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/in-focus/40002360>

- Bangkok motorists are advised to avoid 11 city roads during planned rallies by at least three pro-democracy groups on Thursday to mark the anniversary of the June 24 1932 revolution that transformed Thailand from absolute monarchy to a constitutional monarchy.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/politics/2137211/demonstrations-on-thursday-roads-to-avoid>

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### **Economic News Headlines in Thai Media**

- It is now less than a week before the launch of the Phuket Sandbox.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/28929/opinion-phuket-sandbox-is-looking-more-and-more-like-a-dream/>
- The Bank of Thailand on Wednesday lowered the country's economic growth projection for 2021 to 1.8 per cent, down from 3 per cent predicted in March, but kept the policy rate unchanged.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/28925/central-bank-lowers-gdp-projection-as-pandemic-drags-on/>
- Shares of power generator RATCH Group (RATCH) plummeted more than 10 per cent on Wednesday after it announced a 30-billion-baht capital increase plan, prompting concerns over equity dilution.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/28900/ratch-group-falls-on-news-of-share-issue/>
- YouTube has been a part of daily life in Thailand since the country-localized site launched in 2014, Whether through news commentary, music, travel vlogs, or entertaining challenges, YouTubers' influence is undeniable.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/28848/thai-youtube-is-growing-up-our-top-five-hotspots-for-you/>

- Aeronautical Radio of Thailand (Aerothai) expects international flights to add just 6 per cent to air traffic at Phuket Airport when the island reopens to foreign travellers on July 1.
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/in-focus/40002385>
- Foreign Minister and Deputy PM Don Pramudwinai arrived at Wednesday's online "Asia and Pacific High-Level Conference on Belt and Road" armed with two key documents outlining Thailand's cooperation with hosts China.
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/in-focus/40002384>
- The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) Index closed at 1,592.08 on Tuesday, down 7.15 points or 0.45 per cent. Transactions totalled THB77.7 billion with an index high of 1,606.39 and a low of 1,590.63.
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/business/40002380>
- The latest report from Moodys Investors Service warns that the resurgence of Covid-19 cases and low vaccination rates in Asia Pacific (Apac) may pose new risks to domestic demand.
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/business/40002367>
- With a fresh 120-day deadline in place to fully reopen Thailand, and the Phuket Sandbox initiative pushing ahead for a July 1 launch, a brighter future is coming into focus for hotels after a difficult 18 months, said Bradley Haines, Asia Pacific vice president at SiteMinder.
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/business/40002356>
- The baht slid to its lowest in more than a year on Wednesday after the Bank of Thailand (BoT) promised to keep monetary policy loose and slashed its 2021 economic growth forecast, citing a hit to its tourism sector.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2137227/baht-hits-13-month-low-on-rate-freeze-growth-worries>
- Property developer Magnolia Quality Development Corporation (MQDC) has announced that The Forestias registered over 7 billion baht in new home sales during the last three months, pushing total deposited project sales to over 13 billion baht.

- Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2137443/the-forestias-logs-b7bn-in-sales-in-three-months>
  - International arrivals for Thailand are estimated to remain flat this year, assuming the country can reopen in October, while recovery to 2019 levels might not happen until 2023 under the best-case scenario, according to the Pacific Asia Travel Association (Pata).
    - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2137699/pata-predicts-complete-recovery-by-2023>
  - The Thai economy will be powered by a southern land bridge megaproject, which will connect the Gulf of Thailand with the Andaman Sea, as part of the state's ambitious plan to make Thailand a logistics hub in Asean, says Transport Minister Saksayam Chidchob.
    - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2137447/bridge-link-to-spur-economy>
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#### **Issues to be watched out for**

- March 31-June 30, 2021 – The deadline extension to file personal income taxes for the 2020 tax year.
- June, 2021 – Siam Bioscience to start mass production plan of Covid-19 vaccines.
- June, 2021 – 6,174 private firms including around 1 million employees said they want the vaccine distribution provided by the private sector in addition to the government's plan to inoculate factory workers.
- June, 2021 – Bank for Agriculture and Agricultural Cooperatives (BAAC)'s debt holiday is due to expire.
- June, 2021 – Thai Airways expects the bankruptcy court to hold hearings to consider and approve the plan and also appoint an administrator.
- June 25, 2021 – Prime Minister Gen Prayut Chan-o-cha is scheduled to visit Phuket to inspect its readiness for the reopening to foreign visitors as the Phuket sandbox scheme will come into effect on July 1.

- June 29, 2021 – The 3 coalition parties, Democrat, Bhumjai Thai and Chartthai Pattana, are planning to submit a charter amendment motion to return to a 2-ballot voting system and curb powers of the Senate.
- June-September, 2021 – Thailand plans to administer 1st doses of AstraZeneca vaccine to 36 million people, according to the Public Health Ministry.
- June 30, 2021-year-end – The Bank of Thailand (BoT) extended its targeted debt moratorium measures for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).
- July, 2021 – TMB-Thanchart Bank (TMB-TBank) expects to complete the integration of the 2 financial entities.
- July 1, 2021 – Vaccinated tourists can visit Phuket without undergoing mandatory quarantine.
- July 15, 2021 – The reopening of the sealed routes on 3 islands -- Koh Samui, Koh Phangan and Koh Tao –is expected to join the Phuket reopening plan.
- July 27, 2021 – The Criminal Court for Corruption and Misconduct Cases scheduled for a hearing in a lawsuit filed by BTS Group Holdings against the governor of the Mass Rapid Transit Authority of Thailand (MRTA) for illegally amending the bidding terms and cancelling bidding for the construction of the western extension of the Orange Line.
- August, 2021 – A 3.1-trillion-baht budget spending bill for the fiscal year 2022 will be tabled for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings.
- September 1, 2021 – The government will collect value-added tax from Netflix, Youtube, Google, Facebook as well as other e-commerce services.
- October, 2021 – Bangkok governor election is set to be held.
- October – December, 2021 - The 2nd doses of AstraZeneca would be administered.
- October 1, 2021 – The quarantine measure will be lifted in Krabi, Phang Nga, Pattaya and Chiang Mai.

#### **Key Data**

<b>SET Index</b>	<b>1,592.08</b>	<b>-7.15</b>
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- Link - [https://www.set.or.th/en/company/ipo/upcoming\\_ipo\\_set.html](https://www.set.or.th/en/company/ipo/upcoming_ipo_set.html)

### **Global Commodities**

- Metal -Link <http://www.bloomberg.com/markets/commodities/futures/metals/>
- Energy -Link - <http://www.bloomberg.com/energy/>
- Baltic Dry Index (BDI)-Link - <http://www.bloomberg.com/quote/BDIY:IND>

### **Global Equity Market's Movements**

- Link - <http://www.bloomberg.com/markets/stocks/world-indexes/asia-pacific/>

### **Asian Equity Markets Movement**

- Link - <http://www.bloomberg.com/markets/stocks/world-indexes/>

### **Information on June 23, 2021**

#### **Buying, Selling or Transfer of shares by Owners/Management**

<b>Stock Code</b>	<b>Volume</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Action</b>
AAV	200,000	2.98	Sale
BCH	10	21.1	Sale
BCH	5,000	20.8	Purchase
CPALL	2,000	60.17	Purchase
EP	400,000	5.73	Purchase
FLOYD	5,000,000	0.81	Sale
FLOYD	200,000	0.8	Sale
HMPRO	1,000,000	15	Sale
KCM	644,500	1.13	Sale
NSL	20,000	15	Sale
NSL	100,000	14.9	Sale
PLANET	3,000,000	3.21	Sale
PLANET	300,000	3.2	Sale
PLANET	500,000	3.2	Sale
RML	1,000,000	0.97	Purchase
SAK	5,000	10.3	Purchase
SELIC	464,100	3.34	Purchase
SO	2,700	11.5	Purchase
SO	15,400	11.6	Purchase
SO	31,500	11.7	Purchase

SO	400	11.8	Purchase
SO	10,000	11.4	Sale
SO	27,900	11.3	Sale
SO	20,000	11.1	Sale
STGT	180,000	41.97	Sale
STI	15,000	7.97	Purchase
STI	20,000	7.83	Purchase
STI	5,000	7.9	Purchase
STI	10,000	7.78	Purchase
SST	55,200	0.69	Sale
SPALI	1,200,000	20.58	Purchase
SPALI	300,000	20.7	Purchase
SPALI	1,200,000	20.58	Purchase
SPALI	300,000	20.7	Purchase
NOVA	6,500,000	11.07	Sale
TMT	30,000	10.2	Sale
UTP	10,000	20.3	Purchase

### **XD, XE or XM or other notifications**

For list of Companies that have dividend payment and AGM meeting schedules click on <http://www.set.or.th/set/calendarofevents.do>

### **Trading Breakdown on the Stock Exchange of Thailand**

<b>Daily as of 23 Jun 2021</b>						
<b>Unit: M.Baht</b>						
<b>Investor Type</b>	<b>Buy</b>		<b>Sell</b>		<b>Net</b>	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
Local Institutions	4,033.73	5.19	5,666.72	7.29	-1,632.99	-
Proprietary Trading	7,736.73	9.95	7,475.41	9.62	261.32	-
Foreign Investors	30,163.62	38.8	30,291.62	38.97	-128	-
Local Individuals	35,800.95	46.06	34,301.28	44.13	1,499.67	-
<b>Monthly Cumulative between 1 - 23 Jun 2021</b>						
<b>Unit: M.Baht</b>						
<b>Investor Type</b>	<b>Buy</b>		<b>Sell</b>		<b>Net</b>	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
Local Institutions	100,397.60	6.58	105,472.96	6.92	-5,075.36	-
Proprietary	140,469.64	9.21	136,641.15	8.96	3,828.49	-

Trading						
Foreign Investors	599,971.77	39.34	604,601.09	39.64	-4,629.32	-
Local Individuals	684,248.18	44.87	678,371.99	44.48	5,876.19	-
<b>Yearly Cumulative since 1 Jan - 23 Jun 2021</b>						
<b>Unit: M.Baht</b>						
Investor Type	Buy		Sell		Net	
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%
Local Institutions	760,698.03	7.13	802,409.76	7.52	-41,711.73	-
Proprietary Trading	1,066,655.76	9.99	1,060,656.88	9.94	5,998.88	-
Foreign Investors	3,875,793.14	36.31	3,946,636.61	36.98	-70,843.47	-
Local Individuals	4,970,287.96	46.57	4,863,731.65	45.57	106,556.32	-

Total Trading Value 77,735.03 Million Baht

### **Background Information –**

The strength of each party in the Thai Parliament as of May 8, 2019 as per the report by the Election Commission of Thailand. Elections took place on March 24, 2019

- [https://www.ect.go.th/ect\\_th/news\\_all.php?cid=24](https://www.ect.go.th/ect_th/news_all.php?cid=24)
- List of MPs - [https://www.ect.go.th/ect\\_th/download/article/article\\_20190508184334.pdf](https://www.ect.go.th/ect_th/download/article/article_20190508184334.pdf)

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