

June 1, 2022

Thai Enquirer Summary

Political News

- The first day of the parliamentary meeting to debate the annual budget bill of 2026 in the acceptance in principle session from May 31 to June 2 was heating up.
  - ❖ As the opposition party's leader, Chonlanan Srikaew, Nan province MP and Phue Thai leader, began the debate and reiterated the opposition party's stance on dropping the annual budget bill as the government had brought poverty and debts such as public debt and household debt upon the country.
  - ❖ Still, the government wanted to make another loan of 6.95 billion baht on top of the annual budget of 3.185 trillion baht. This would only lead to a dead end, and the only way out was changing the leader. He added that the annual budget was similar to a ransom because if some ministers were left out, they would threaten to leave the government.
  - ❖ All in all, if the 2026 annual budget bill is dropped, the Phue Thai party will have to make a new one. They affirmed that they would not amend the budget bill in the committee session because it was unworkable.

- General Prayut Chan-o-cha resounded in an irritated tone that the budget allocation must be proposed to the cabinet first, and then they would allocate the budget to each area based on its demand, unlike the previous government, in which someone used threats if not being allocated. For those who said the budget allocation risked being dishonest, they were encouraged to file a lawsuit with evidence. He questioned the previous prosecutions someone to get imprisoned or flee the country or not. He left the parliament room as soon as he finished speaking.
  - ❖ General Prayut Chan-o-cha rose once more to clarify that the rice agricultural budget was in the past. The 2011 rice mortgage scheme cost the country nearly 9.5 billion baht. 7.8 billion baht had already been paid, leaving only around 3 billion to deal with. He wondered who did it and what this money could do for the country.
  - ❖ Wanwipha Maison, list MP from the Move Forward party, said that the Palang Pracharath party (PPRP) could not actualize its campaigns as promised and that it should not deceive citizens by reusing the same campaigns in the next election, such as raising the minimum wage or salary.
  - ❖ Several MPs from the Move Forward party raised signs of the PPRP's unworkable campaigns while Wanwipha was speaking.



- Meanwhile Peerawit Ruedolphak, list MP from the Tairaktham party and member of the Sixteen group, revealed that the group met with General Prayut who responded to their request for a position in the committee to examine the annual budget bill after passing the first session. He also affirmed that he would examine the eastern pipeline bid or EEC thoroughly. The bid was expected to complete after the motion of no confidence.

- ❖ Today, June 1, the Sixteen group will dine with Thammanat Prompow, Phayao province MP and the Thai Economic party's leading member.
- Yesterday, May 31, Ittiporn Boonprakong, chairman of the Election Commission (EC), presided over an online meeting to examine the Bangkok governor and councilor results for the second day following May 30, in which the commission still could not endorse Chardchart Sittipunt as the city's governor due to Srisuwan Janya's complaint against him for his campaign banner that Srisuwan saw dishonest.
  - ❖ However, according to a document released by the EC on May 31, Chardchart Sittipunt has officially been endorsed along with five other councilors. The EC believed that the election was fair and honest.
  - ❖ Chadchart Sittipunt, official Bangkok governor, revealed that he would announce the list of his administrative team including the governor's secretary, advisory team, and technical team. The team was unpaid, Chadchart said. Then, he would discuss issues with them for their opinions.
  - ❖ General Prayut Chan-o-cha, Prime Minister and Minister of Defense, congratulated Chadchart on the interview saying: "He will have to talk to me first".
  - ❖ Meanwhile Netizens have created a campaign on Change.org to remove Srisuwan Chanya, secretary-general of the Thai Constitution Protection Organization, in relation to his numerous complaints that some deem as degradation and division of the Thai society. Many of his complaints are said to be nonsensical and biased as evidenced by how he did not complain against the Palang Pracharath Party (PPRP)'s campaigns that have yet to be actualized but he instead opted to complain against Chadchart Sittipunt for his campaign banner.

**ถอดถอน นาย ศรีสุวรรณ จรรยา ออกจาก เลขาธิการ  
สมาคมองค์การพิทักษ์รัฐธรรมนูญไทย**



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- ❖ As of now, over 120,285 people have petitioned for Srisuwan's removal. The campaign will be considered one of the most engaged if it reaches 150,000 votes.
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## **Economic News**

- Nanthika Thangsupanich, director-general of the Energy Business Department, revealed that fuel imports averaged 1,018,628 barrels per day from January to April 2022, an increase of 11.4% over the same period last year. Particularly, crude oil imports increased to 951,689 barrels per day, or a 9.1% increase valued at 96,646 million baht or a 96.5% increase due to the rising fuel price and THB inflation.
  - ❖ As a result of an almost 100% increase in fuel import expenses, the value of imports exceeded the value of exports, resulting in a trade deficit of 1,908.4 million dollars in April, or a total of 2,852.4 million dollars in four months.
  - ❖ The crude oil price in the global market recently broke the record of 115 dollars per barrel following the European Union (EU)'s sanction against the Russian fuel import which aimed to reduce it to 10% by the end of this year.
  - ❖ Meanwhile Komkrit Tantravanich, secretary-general of the Energy Regulatory Commission, stated that the commission would evaluate the float time of the electricity bill (FT) from September-December 2022 by mid-June and would announce the result by mid-July. The electricity bill, according to Komkrit, was likely to increase by 0.40 baht per unit.
- Anurit Kerdsinchai, director of Wongsiam Construction Public Company Limited, revealed that he would file a criminal and civil lawsuit against every relevant state official in two cases.
  - ❖ The first was that he would request temporary protection of the bidding result of the second water transmission pipeline project for the government's flagship Eastern Economic Corridor (EEC) from the administrative court.
  - ❖ The second was that the Treasury Department had delayed the contract with the winning bidder, causing damage to the company and its operations.

- From Wednesday, entertainment venues such as pubs, bars and nightclubs will reopen in 31 provinces, including Bangkok, with their hours of operation and the serving of alcoholic beverages extended until midnight.
  - ❖ Yesterday the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) issued guidelines for nightspots in the capital in response to the reopening. The guidelines were signed by city clerk Khachit Chatchawanit at a City Hall meeting.

## COVID-19 News



Infection data for today are as follows

Total New PCR Infections = 4,563

Total positive cases (ATK/Antigen) = -

Total New Death = 28

Total New Recovery = 5,125

Total Infection including PRC & ATK = -

Total infections so far since outbreak = 2,231,585

Total deaths so far since outbreak = 8,349

Total in Intensive Care Unit (ICU) = 850

Total number on life support (ventilator) -

The government's data on 'Positive testing' numbers as a percentage of the tests it undertakes stands @ 10.56 % as of May 30.

Details of data for each day can be found @ <https://ddc.moph.go.th/covid19-dashboard/> (All information is in Thai language)

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### **Political News Headlines in Thai Media**

- Prime Minister Prayut Chan-ocha said in parliament on Tuesday that the country is financially secure despite rising debt. He noted then that the first strategy for the 2023 fiscal budget year is to pursue “national stability.”
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/40555/prayut-announced-that-thailand-is-financially-secure-but-opposition-blame-the-pm-for-mishandling-national-budget/>
- Thailand's Democrat Party is facing significant internal pressure to vote against the budget bill currently being debated in parliament, sources inside the party told Thai Enquirer on Tuesday.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/40548/democrats-facing-internal-pressure-to-vote-against-government-budget/>
- The Election Commission (EC) on Tuesday endorsed Chadchart Sittipunt as the winner of the May 22 Bangkok governor election.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2318782/chadchart-certified-as-winner-of-bangkok-governor-election>
- The army will resume field training for territorial defence students in July, when the Public Health Ministry is expected to declare Covid-19 an endemic disease.

- Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2318726/field-training-to-resume-for-territorial-defence-students>
  - The Royal Thai Police (RTP) has issued a set of recommendations on the use of personal photos, videos and other files without violating the new Personal Data Protection Act (PDPA), which will come into effect on Wednesday.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2318866/police-issue-guidance-on-controversial-new-data-law>
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### **Economic News Headlines in Thai Media**

- SURAT THANI: A call to develop Koh Samui, Koh Tao and Koh Phangan into world-class entertainment islands is gaining support from local tourism operators.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2318818/3-islands-proposed-as-entertainment-cluster>
- Six Taiwanese men accused of duping more than 500 people, mostly Chinese and Taiwanese nationals, into investing in fraudulent cryptocurrency schemes have been arrested during a police raid in Bangkok's Prawet district.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2318754/6-taiwanese-arrested-in-bangkok-for-crypto-fraud>
- Thailand's ranking in the Travel and Tourism Development Index 2021 dropped to 36th from 35th place, with safety and security plunging to the lower end of the table, while neighbouring countries such as Indonesia and Vietnam posted improvements.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2318802/thailand-drops-down-global-tourism-index>
- Thailand recorded a current account deficit of \$3.4 billion in April after a surplus of \$1.2 billion in the previous month, the central bank said on Tuesday.

- Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2318774/current-account-deficit-soars-in-april-exports-rise-6-6-y-o-y>
- AirAsia has launched a ride-hailing service in Bangkok, eyeing a slice of the region's growing market as tourism reopens.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2318766/airasia-pushes-into-ride-hailing-race-in-bangkok-rivalling-grab>
- The Thai Chamber of Commerce and Thai Cruises Business Association (TCBA) on Tuesday organised an online seminar to promote Thailand as a cruise tourism hub in Asia.
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/in-focus/40016144>
- Thailand's outstanding public debt as of March 31 stands at 9.95 trillion baht or 60.58 per cent of the gross domestic product, a report from the Finance Ministry shows.
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/business/40016132>
- MP Group (Thailand) Ltd recently unveiled the company's first Covid-19 antigen test kit (ATK) vending machine under the brand 'STANDARD Q' at Central Pinklao department store in a bid to help people protect themselves from the new coronavirus.
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/business/40016153>
- The State Railway of Thailand (SRT) will start operating diesel rail services on the Southern Line from Wednesday to serve as a feeder service for the Red Line suburban railway system and the MRT's Blue Line.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2318858/diesel-feeder-trains-link-to-more-lines>
- The Thai economy in April showed signs of improvement in all areas, particularly the tourism sector, supported by the relaxation of travel restrictions.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2319010/april-arrivals-bring-more-signs-of-continued-revival>

- SET-listed digital solutions provider Turnkey Communication Services (TKC) is developing a low-cost smart farming platform that will help growers capitalise on digital tech to ease workloads and boost yields in the agriculture sector.
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/2319174/tkc-creating-smart-farming-platform>

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### **Issues to be watched out for**

- March 1-May 21, 2022 – The parliament is set to go into recess.
- May, 2022 – Ordinary parliamentary sessions resume.
- May 17, 2022 – The National Economic and Social Development Council (NESDC) is set to announce its forecast for 1st quarter GDP growth.
- May 21, 2022 – The date for by-election in Ratchaburi's Constituency 3 to fill in a seat left vacant by former Palang Pracharat Party MP Pareena Kraikupt who was disqualified by the Supreme Court's ruling over her use of forest land.
- May 22, 2022 – The new parliamentary session is set to begin.
- May 22, 2022 – Tentative date for Bangkok governor and Pattaya Mayor City elections
- May 31–June 2, 2022 – The budget bill for the 2022 fiscal year is scheduled to be debated in the House of Representatives.
- June 6, 2022 – Trade Policy and Strategy Office makes its monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) data for the month of May 2022.
- June 16, 2022 – The D-Day for the government's selling of lottery tickets at 80 baht apiece via the Pao Tang App.
- July, 2022 – The wage committee is set to meet to calculate the new minimum wage rate.
- June 8, 2022 – The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) makes the decision on the policy rate.

- July 5, 2022 – Trade Policy and Strategy Office makes its monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) data for the month of June 2022.
- August 5, 2022 – Trade Policy and Strategy Office makes its monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) data for the month of July 2022.
- August 10, 2022 – The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) makes the decision on the policy rate.
- August 24, 2022 – The last day as per the current constitution for Prayut to be the Prime Minister under the 2016 constitution Article 158 which forbids a person to be in Prime Minister's position for more than 8-years continuously or with breaks.
- September 5, 2022 – Trade Policy and Strategy Office makes its monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) data for the month of August 2022.
- September 28, 2022- The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) makes the decision on the policy rate.
- October 5, 2022 – Trade Policy and Strategy Office makes its monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) data for the month of August 2022.
- November, 2022 – The Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) summit is to be held.
- November 5, 2022 – Trade Policy and Strategy Office makes its monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) data for the month of October 2022.
- November 30, 2022 – The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) makes the decision on the policy rate.
- December 6, 2022 – Trade Policy and Strategy Office makes its monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) data for the month of November 2022.
- January, 2023 – The hike in the daily minimum wage is set to become official.

### **Key Data**

**SET Index**

**1,663.41**

**+9.80**

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 May 31, 2022**

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

<b>Stock Code</b>	<b>Volume</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Action</b>
CHG	7	500,000.00	Purchase
CIVIL	240,100	5	Sale
CPT	800,000	0.86	Purchase
LEO	10,000	12.5	Purchase
LHK	50,000	5.65	Sale
LHK	50,000	5.7	Sale
NDR	100,000	0.51	Sale
PDJ	40,000	2.54	Purchase
PDJ	30,000	2.87	Purchase
PRINC	30,000	6.1	Sale
PYLON	50,000	4.68	Purchase
RPH	70,000	7.64	Purchase
RPH	15,000	7.67	Purchase
SORKON	70,000	5.25	Purchase
SPC	23,100	68.95	Sale
SAPPE	20,000	34.5	Sale

SAPPE	30,000	35.83	Sale
SPALI	100,000	20.4	Purchase
SPALI	50,000	20.4	Purchase
SPALI	100,000	20.4	Purchase
SPALI	50,000	20.4	Purchase
TCMC	1,500,000	1.8	Purchase
TU	100,000	17.2	Sale
ONEE	50,000	11.2	Sale
DTAC	966,700	43.36	Purchase
DTAC	350,600	42.73	Purchase
VGI	15,666,000	0.32	Sale

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

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

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

<b>Daily as of 31 May 2022</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	4,882.45	5.02	5,563.54	5.72	-681.09	-
Proprietary Trading	5,395.45	5.55	5,775.85	5.94	-380.39	-
Foreign Investor	65,947.81	67.80	60,140.61	61.83	5,807.20	-
Local Individuals	21,037.28	21.63	25,782.99	26.51	-4,745.72	-

  

<b>Monthly Cumulative between 1-31 May 2022</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	112,211.75	8.06	107,745.70	7.74	4,466.05	-

Proprietary Trading	118,258.93	8.49	116,513.81	8.37	1,745.12	-
Foreign Investors	714,567.44	51.32	694,283.93	49.86	20,283.51	-
Local Individuals	447,304.63	32.13	473,799.31	34.03	-26,494.68	-
<b>Yearly Cumulative since 1 Jan -31 May 2022</b>						
Unit: M.Baht						
Investor Type	Buy		Sell		Net	
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%
Local Institutions	592,626.36	7.27	683,478.73	8.38	-90,852.38	-
Proprietary Trading	706,884.89	8.67	705,438.12	8.65	1,446.76	-
Foreign Investors	3,840,869.30	47.11	3,698,852.44	45.37	142,016.85	-
Local Individuals	3,012,128.30	36.95	3,064,739.54	37.59	-52,611.24	-

**Total Trading Value 97,262.99 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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