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## **Thai Enquirer News Summary**

### **Economic News**

- The Thai Banker's Association is set to hold a meeting this evening to look at the request by Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin to possibly cut the interest rates for certain group of borrowers.



- ❖ Srettha had an informal meeting with the CEOs of four of Thailand’s top banks at Government House yesterday, to ask them to consider cutting their lending rates for “fragile” groups, such as small entrepreneurs. The meeting, before the start of the cabinet meeting, lasted about 30 minutes. The prime minister told the media that he had invited Chartsiri Sophonpanich (Bangkok Bank), Payong Srivanich (Krung Thai Bank), Kattiya Indaravijaya (Kasikornbank) and Arthid Nanthawithaya (Siam Commercial Bank) to discuss, informally, the general economic situation and the high policy interest rate in particular.
- ❖ The government has been urging the Monetary Policy Committee of the Bank of Thailand to cut the 2.5% policy rate by 25 basis points, to ease the financial burden on borrowers. Nonetheless, the committee, at its most recent meeting on April 10th, resolved to maintain it at 2.5%.
- ❖ Payong, who is also the President of the Thai Bankers' Association, disclosed that the association will meet today to discuss possible approaches to reduce the burden and alleviate the hardship of these fragile groups.



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สมาคมธนาคารไทย เคารพพิจารณาแนวทางเพิ่มเติม เพื่อช่วยเหลือลูกค้ากลุ่มเปราะบาง ลดภาระทางการเงิน

จากกรณีธนาคารต้นทศธนาคารแห่งประเทศไทย 4 ธนาคาร ได้มีเอกสารเข้ามายังรัฐมนตรีในช่วงเช้าวันที่ 23 เมษายน 2567 เพื่อขอลดอัตราดอกเบี้ยเงินกู้แก่ผู้ประกอบการรายย่อยที่มีรายได้ต่ำและไม่มีที่ดิน ภายใต้อัตราดอกเบี้ยเงินกู้ที่ต่ำกว่า และขอปรับลดอัตราดอกเบี้ยเงินกู้แก่ผู้ประกอบการรายย่อยและเกษตรกรรายย่อย

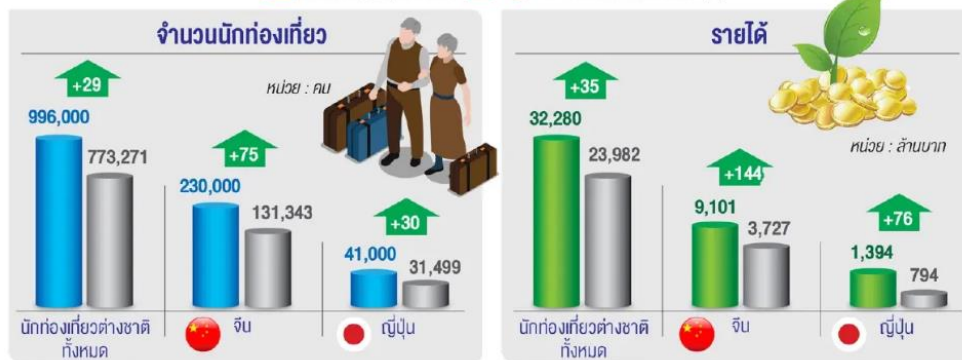
นายทอง ศรีนิช ประธานสมาคมธนาคารไทย เปิดเผยว่า การเข้ามายังรัฐมนตรี เพื่อขอปรับลดอัตราดอกเบี้ยเงินกู้ในปัจจุบัน มีความสำคัญในหลายมิติ รวมถึงการส่งเสริมของนายรัฐมนตรี มีสถานการณ์ที่คล้ายคลึงกัน และกลุ่มเปราะบาง รวมถึงการเข้าถึงบริการทางการเงินที่มีคุณภาพเพิ่มขึ้นในการลดภาระ และบรรเทาความเดือดร้อนของลูกค้าย่อยรายย่อยในวงกว้างได้บ้าง โดยจะมีการประชุมระดับดังกล่าว และขั้นตอนการดำเนินการกลุ่มลูกค้ารายย่อย ภายใต้นโยบายการให้สินเชื่ออย่างรับผิดชอบและเป็นธรรม (Responsible Lending) ของธนาคารแห่งประเทศไทย โดยเฉพาะกลุ่มเปราะบาง เข้ามาเรียกคืนแนวทางเพิ่มเติมที่เป็นไปได้ ในที่ประชุมคณะกรรมการสมาคมธนาคารไทย ในช่วงเย็นวันที่ 24 เมษายน 2567

สมาคมธนาคารไทย  
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- The Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) anticipates a significant influx of international tourists during the 10-day period from April 26 to May 5, 2024. With the confluence of Japan's Golden Week and China's Labor Day holiday on May 1, TAT projects a daily arrival rate exceeding the usual by 10%, reaching an estimated 996,000 foreign visitors. This surge represents a 29% increase compared to the corresponding period in 2023.

คาดการณ์การเดินทางท่องเที่ยวของนักท่องเที่ยวต่างชาติ  
ช่วงเทศกาลวันหยุด **Golden Week** และ **วันแรงงาน 26 เม.ย. - 5 พ.ค. 2567** (รวม 10 วัน)

ปี 2567 ปี 2566 อัตราการเติบโต ปี 67/66 (%)



หมายเหตุ: จำนวนและรายได้นักท่องเที่ยวต่างชาติต่างประเทศช่วงเทศกาล ประเมินการจากสถิตินักท่องเที่ยวต่างชาติ จำแนกตามรายสัญชาติ (รายวัน) จากสำนักงานศุลกากรท่าอากาศยาน โดยงานวิเคราะห์ตลาดต่างประเทศ กทศ. ณ วันที่ 28 มีนาคม 2567 [กราฟ] กรุงเทพธุรกิจ 24/4/2567

- The cabinet also approved a temporary visa exemption for Russian visitors for up to 60 days.
  - ❖ The cabinet also approved a visa exemption for official passport holders from Bangladesh and authorized the letter of intent to begin free trade negotiations with the country.
  - ❖ The FTA talks with Bangladesh, which has a population of 170 million people, are expected to begin soon after the letter of intent is signed on April 26 during the official visit of Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, said Government Spokesperson Chai Watcharong.
  - ❖ Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's visit will be the first by a Bangladeshi Prime Minister to Thailand since 2002. The decision to initiate FTA talks with Bangladesh aligns with the current government's strategy to enhance trade with BIMSTEC countries, following the signing of the Thailand-Sri Lanka FTA in February.
- Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin said that the cabinet has approved in principle the 10,000 Baht digital wallet policy, along with all its conditions.
  - ❖ He said the Ministry of Finance's Budget Bureau and the Bank for Agriculture and Agricultural Cooperatives (BAAC) are currently studying ways to fund the 500 billion Baht policy. The current plan is to allocate 175 billion Baht from the 2024 fiscal budget, 152.7 billion Baht from the 2025 fiscal budget, and 172.3 billion Baht from the BAAC.



- Deputy Finance Minister Julapun Amornvivat said that the government will ask the Council of State to check whether the move to use the Bank for Agriculture and Agricultural Cooperatives' budget worth 172 billion Baht to fund the 10,000 Baht digital wallet policy would violate any regulations.

- ❖ However, the move will not delay the timeline of the policy, where eligible people who registered for the measure will receive the money within Q4 of 2024.
- ❖ When asked why farmers cannot use the 10,000 Baht to pay off their debts even though many of them wanted to do so, Julapun said the purpose of the policy is to stimulate the economy. If the money is used to pay debts, there will be no money circulation in this part, which will impact the policy's effectiveness in stimulating the economy.



- Government spokesman Chai Watcharong defended the government's digital wallet project, citing its potential to boost the country's GDP by 1.2-1.8% in 2025 and generate economic activity worth 3.2-3.5 times the initial 500 billion Baht investment. He explained that this multiplier effect would translate into an additional 650 billion Baht in GDP growth over the next three years.

- ❖ Addressing concerns about the distribution of funds, Chai clarified that only half of Thailand's 14,500 convenience stores are directly owned by large corporations such as 7-Elevens. He compared this to the 1.2 million small businesses that participated in the previous government's 50-50 co-payment scheme, ensuring the digital wallet project would benefit these stores more.

- The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET) index closed higher yesterday at 1,357.46 points, gaining 7.94 points or 0.59%. The trading value was 46.62 billion Baht. The rise mirrored gains across most Asian markets and followed the easing of tensions in the Middle East, reflected in falling gold prices and stabilizing oil prices.
  - ❖ Positive domestic factors played a role in the market's gain. 1<sup>st</sup>-quarter earnings reports from Thai banks exceeded market expectations, boosting investor confidence. Furthermore, the Prime Minister's reassurance of government support for the digital wallet project is expected to stimulate consumer spending starting in the 4th quarter.
  - ❖ Looking ahead, analysts predict a narrow trading range for the SET index today. However, a key event to watch is the upcoming meeting of the Stock Exchange of Thailand. The SET is expected to discuss new regulations for short selling and program trading. If stricter regulations are implemented, it could lead to significant "covering" of previously shorted stocks. This means investors who bet on these stocks to decline would be forced to buy them back, potentially causing their prices to rise.
  - ❖ Analysts also recommend focusing on consumer stocks for investment opportunities. CPALL, CPAXT, BJC, and OSP are all highlighted, with target prices of 76 Baht, 39 Baht, 36 Baht, and 31 Baht, respectively.

Impact Gain	Trade	Change	%Chg	Impact
CPALL	56.75↑	+1.25	2.25	+0.900
PTT	34.00	+0.25	0.74	+0.570
DELTA	70.00	+0.50	0.72	+0.500
SCGP	33.25↓	+1.25	3.91	+0.425
SCC	249.00↑	+4.00	1.63	+0.400
MINT	32.50	+0.75	2.36	+0.337
PTTEP	158.50↑	+1.00	0.63	+0.320
BJC	25.75	+0.75	3.00	+0.240
ADVANC	198.50↓	+1.00	0.51	+0.240
GULF	41.25	+0.25	0.61	+0.235

- Investors are eagerly awaiting the release of Siam Cement Plc (SCC) 1<sup>st</sup>-quarter financial performance, which is expected to exceed expectations. This anticipation stems from the impressive performance of its subsidiaries, particularly SCG Packaging Plc (SCGP).
  - ❖ SCGP recently announced its Q1/2024 net profit of 1.72 billion Baht, representing a 41% increase from the same period last year and a 42% increase from the previous quarter. Moreover, SCGP's overall performance for 2024 is projected to reach its target of 150 billion Baht, a 15% increase from the previous year.



- Many critics of the Pheu Thai government led by Srettha Thavisin said that he had taken up the position of the Minister of Finance to get his signature on the banknote and after that he would give up his position.
  - ❖ Well, the latest banknotes printed has Srettha's signature, does that mean he's ready to relinquish his position now?



- In a ruling yesterday, the Bangkok South Civil Court sided with Kasikornbank (KBANK) in its lawsuit against STARK Corporation Plc (STARK). The court found STARK liable for breach of contract and default of debt, ordering the company to repay principal and interest to KBANK, who is a trustee for four bond series issued by STARK, for a total of over 5.26 billion Baht.
  - ❖ Verapat Pariyawong, a lawyer representing the STARK bondholders, expressed optimism that the court would reach a similar decision in the remaining case involving the STARK242A bond series, which is due for redemption in 2024 and has an outstanding principal amount of 3.93 billion Baht. The case has been filed by Asia Plus Securities, who is the bondholders' representative.
- Jakkaphong Jakrajutatip, chief executive of JKN Global Media (JKN) announced yesterday that the Central Bankruptcy Court has granted the company debt restructuring under the Bankruptcy Act. The court has appointed a trustee to convene a meeting of creditors as soon as possible to select a plan administrator.
  - ❖ The appointment is expected to take place in May 2024. The plan administrator will be responsible for developing a debt restructuring plan within September 2024.



- Gold prices in Thailand experienced a significant decline yesterday, falling by 1,050 Baht compared to the previous day's closing price. The Gold Traders Association announced a total of 17 price adjustments throughout the day, with 11 downward adjustments and 6 upward adjustments.
  - ❖ At the close of the market, the buyback price for gold jewelry was set at 39,522.12 Baht per Baht-weight, while the selling price was 40,850 Baht. For gold bars, the buyback price was 40,250 Baht per Baht-weight, and the selling price was 40,350 Baht.
  - ❖ On the global market, the spot gold price stood at \$2,296.00 per ounce.

GOLD PRICE BY GTA / ราคาทองคำตามประกาศของสมาคมค้าทองคำ		
ประจำวัน 23/04/2567 เวลา 16:24 น. (ครั้งที่ 17) บาทละ(บาท)		
ทองคำแท่ง 96.5%	ขายออก	40,350.00
	รับซื้อ	40,250.00
ทองคำรูปพรรณ 96.5%	ขายออก	40,850.00
	ฐานภาษี	39,522.12

FOREIGN MARKET / ราคาทองคำอังกฤษตลาดต่างประเทศ		
ณ วันที่ 23/04/2567		
99.99% / 99.5%	ราคาเปิด	ราคาปิด
ฮ่องกง	21,780.00	21,570.00
ลอนดอน AM FIX	n/a	2,361.45
ลอนดอน PM FIX	n/a	2,334.95
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## **Political News**

- Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin said the best time to have a cabinet reshuffle is when there is a need for changes to better address the people's plights. He also said that the disbursement of the delayed 2024 fiscal budget has no connection with possible changes in cabinet seats.
  - ❖ When asked if he had ever considered relinquishing the finance minister position and not taking up another ministerial position besides the prime minister's, Srettha did not answer and moved on to the next question. Srettha is speculated to relinquish the finance minister position to take up the defense minister seat from Sutin Klungsang.
  - ❖ Prasert Jantararungtong, the current Minister of Digital Economy and Society and former Secretary-General of the ruling Pheu Thai Party, said before the cabinet meeting that Jiraporn Sindhuprai, Pheu Thai's MP for Roi Et, is qualified to assume the role of deputy agriculture minister due to her 3-time MP status. However, the decision on a cabinet reshuffle and its members is solely up to the prime minister.
- Meanwhile Agriculture Minister and Secretary-General of the PPRP, Thammanat Prompao, said that the proposal had been submitted to the prime minister. The primary candidate for the deputy commerce minister position remains Pai Leeke, PPRP's Member of Parliament for Kamphaeng Phet and a close aide of his.
  - ❖ He further stated that they have suggested three additional backup candidates for the prime minister's consideration: Atthakorn Sirilatthayakorn MP for Chachoengsao, Anan Phonamnuay MP for Kamphaeng Phet and Chaiwut Thanakamanusorn former Minister of Digital Economy and Society. According to news reports, General Prawit Wongsuwan, the PPRP's leader, prefers Chaiwut for the position.





- ❖ Varawut Silpa-archa Minister of Social Development and Human Security and leader of the Chart Thai Pattana Party said there are currently no indications of a cabinet reshuffle from PM Srettha. He cautioned that speculations about the reshuffle may be premature, as circumstances could still change at the last minute, advising people not to be overly concerned about it.
- Two prominent members of the Pheu Thai Party, Paophum Rojanasakul, Assistant Minister to the finance minister, and Jiraporn Sindhuprai, MP for Roi Et, were spotted at the Government House yesterday, fuelling speculation that they were soon to be appointed as new ministers.
  - ❖ Rumors circulated that Paophum and Jiraporn went there to collect forms to fill out their personal information, suggesting that they may be under consideration for ministerial positions.



- Meanwhile, Government Spokesman Chai Watcharong denied any knowledge about a potential change in his position. He acknowledged that some people may prefer to see Jirayu Huangsap, a Pheu Thai Party member known for his active social media presence, take over his role. However, Chai also pointed out that he has received support from many people who want him to continue in his current position as well.



- The cabinet approved in principle the proposal for three referendums to rewrite the charter, according to Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin.
  - ❖ The cabinet also endorsed the proposal to amend the referendum law to eliminate the double majority rule.

- ❖ These proposals were put forward by the government committee responsible for designing the referendums for the rewrite. The committee's proposed question for the first referendum was: 'Do you agree that the charter should be rewritten without amending Sections 1 and 2, which relate to Thailand's sovereignty and the power of the monarch?' Each referendum is expected to cost around 3 billion Baht to conduct.
- ❖ Deputy Prime Minister Phumtham Wechayachai, who chairs the committee, stated yesterday that if the draft question is approved by the cabinet, it will be submitted to the Election Commission, and the first referendum is anticipated to be held in August.
- The application deadline for those interested in running in the Senate election is set for May 13, three days after the current senators complete their terms.
  - ❖ Yesterday the Cabinet agreed to the timeline for the election, which has been criticised as being overly complex as proposed by the Election Commission (EC), and an additional 227 million Baht from the Central Fund for the EC to stage the Senate elections on top of about Bt1.2 billion allocated to the EC for the election purposes.
  - ❖ The district-level poll is set for June 9, the provincial-level on June 16 and the national vote is set on June 26. The final election results will be announced on July 2. Over 210,000 people have informed the Election Commission (EC) of their wish to run as a Senate candidate and the EC expects at least 100,000 candidates to run.
- Foreign Minister Parnpree Bahiddha-Nukara, Defense Minister Suthin Klangsaeng, and Interior Minister Anutin Charnvirakul visited Mae Sot together.
  - ❖ Parnpree now heads the government committee responsible for the situation along the Thailand-Myanmar border. Suthin and Anutin are not part of the committee, but their ministries are expected to provide support if needed, as the permanent secretaries from both ministries are committee members.
  - ❖ The three ministers received a briefing on the latest updates at Mae Sot Airport before traveling to Thai–Myanmar Friendship Bridge No. 1 and the Rim Moei Market to inspect the situation there. Fighting near Thai–Myanmar Friendship Bridge No. 2 calmed down this afternoon after a series of morning explosions.
  - ❖ This was Parnpree's third visit to the border town since the Thai government established a humanitarian corridor along the border, and it was his first visit as the committee's chairperson.

- ❖ During the visit, F-16 fighter jets from the Royal Thai Air Force were flying above the Mae Sot district to provide security for the ministers.



- Suspended Deputy National Police Chief Pol Gen Surachate Hakparn withdrew his petition against Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin just 1-day after filing it. He stated that he no longer questions the PM's actions.
  - ❖ He had requested the National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) to investigate the prime minister for allegedly not following the law in the appointment of suspended National Police Chief Pol Gen Torsak Sukvimol, as well as for alleged abuse of power in transferring him to inactive duty and subsequently suspending him from police duty.
  - ❖ However, he has not withdrawn his petition asking the NACC to investigate the police investigators looking into money laundering allegations against him in connection with the BNK Master case. Surachate argues that these investigators lack jurisdiction over the case since it is linked to the Minnie case, which is already under investigation by the NACC.
  - ❖ He accuses the investigators of attempting to discredit him to prevent him from potentially becoming the national police chief in the future. Despite Pol Gen Surachate's decision to withdraw his petition, the investigation against PM Srettha in terms of the appointment of Pol Gen Torsak will continue, as a similar complaint was filed by former police chief Sereepisuth Temeeyaves in October 2023.



- The office of Pol Gen Surachet Hakpal, Suspended Deputy National Police Chief, was sealed off yesterday. His nameplate was also removed, and no police officers were seen working inside.
  - ❖ Furthermore, the Royal Thai Police website has removed Pol Gen Surachet's photograph from the gallery of Deputy National Police Chiefs. These actions took place after Pol Gen Surachet was accused of accepting bribes from an online gambling ring, which resulted in his recent suspension of duty within the police force.

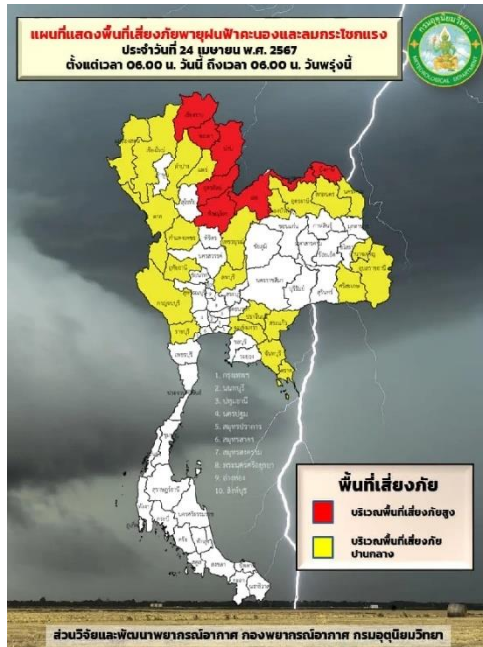


- Lawyer Sittra Biebangkerd, also known as “Lawyer Tum”, has presented a diagram illustrating the alleged connections between mule accounts linked to the online gambling website BNK and two high-ranking police officers. He announced that today, he will present financial information related to Pol Gen Torsak Sukvimol, National Police Chief, to Pol Maj Gen Charoonkiat at the Anti-Corruption Division at 10:00 AM.

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## **General News**

- Some relief to the 42 degrees Celsius of heat in many parts of the country as there are expectations of thunderstorms and heavy rain are expected across 42 provinces of Thailand, particularly in the northern and northeastern regions today, according to the Thai Meteorological Department.
  - ❖ Heavy rain is expected to affect 30% of the area. However, temperatures will remain high, with a maximum of 43°C nationwide.
  - ❖ In Bangkok, the weather will be hot and sunny, with a maximum temperature of 40°C.



- Ever wonder how people can pay up to US\$ 1,000 for stuffed toys?

- ❖ Well, Thailand is going through that craze and a stuffed toy – Labubu, is going crazy to a point that even a Cabinet minister was carrying one to the Cabinet meeting yesterday to warn buyers of ‘fake’ ones and wasting their money.
- ❖ The craze has arisen after the Lalisa of ‘BlackPink’ was seen carrying it and although she’s dating Frederic Arnault, the son on the world’s richest businessman and CEO of LVMH who is worth more than US\$ 210 billion.



Puangpet Chunlaiad – Minister to the Prime Minister’s Office



- Local authorities have reported that approximately 95% of the fire that broke out at Win Process's abandoned industrial waste storage warehouses in Rayong's Ban Khai Subdistrict has been brought under control.
  - ❖ Of the 5 warehouses in the vicinity, four have caught fire, with two being completely destroyed due to the storage of liquid chemicals. Fortunately, the fire did not reach the facility where oil wastes were stored, as previously feared. The chemicals were stored in metal and plastic barrels, and due to the company's failure to comply with regulations, the clear identification of these chemicals proved difficult as they were mixed together pending destruction.
  - ❖ The owner of the warehouses is currently being summoned by the police. These warehouses had been previously ordered to shut down and are now under the jurisdiction of the Department of Industrial Works. The police are also investigating a potential link between this fire and another incident that occurred in Ayutthaya in February, as the owner is the same.
  - ❖ Move Forward Party MP Chutipong Pipoppinyo said locals have been complaining about the warehouses for over a decade, urging authorities to remove the chemical waste. However, the waste was not removed until after the fire.



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

- Suspended Deputy National Police Chief Surachate Hakparn's recent allegations against the National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) provides a fertile ground for discussing much-needed reforms not just within the police, but across the wider mechanisms of accountability and governance.
  - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/52103/opinion-the-nacc-has-long-been-problematic-an-investigation-is-warranted/>

- Thai police are corrupt but for Thailand's expats, this is hardly surprising
    - Link- <https://www.thaienquirer.com/52105/thai-police-are-corrupt-but-for-thailands-expats-this-is-hardly-surprising/>
  - 'Big Joke' drops complaint against PM
    - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2780865/big-joke-drops-complaint-against-pm>
  - Tak Bai massacre criminal cases to be filed
    - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2780714/tak-bai-massacre-criminal-cases-to-be-filed>
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### **Economic News Headlines in Thai Media**

- Bank of Thailand to adjust rates amid changes: deputy chief
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/general/2780619/bank-of-thailand-could-adjust-rates-if-economic-outlook-shifts-deputy-governor-says>
- Chery Automobile, an electric vehicle (EV) manufacturer from China, was recently granted promotional privileges to establish a production facility in Thailand by the Thailand Board of Investment (BOI).
  - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/business/automobile/40037455>
- Authorities in Tak province have agreed to participation by villagers living near a factory, where tons of carcinogenic cadmium waste were stored, in processes to ensure their safety.
  - Link- <https://www.thaipbsworld.com/tak-villagers-near-cadmium-waste-store-want-role-in-remediation-process/>
- Minister warns about Labubu doll fraud
  - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2780710/minister-warns-about-labubu-doll-fraud>

- Power demand hits record amid heat wave
    - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/general/2780842/power-demand-hits-record-amid-heat-wave>
  - Electric car sales to rise but affordability in focus, IEA says
    - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/motoring/2780660/electric-car-sales-to-rise-but-affordability-in-focus-iea-says>
  - Call for tourism buffer zone
    - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/general/2781072/call-for-tourism-buffer-zone>
  - Srettha wants warehouse fire answers
    - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2780947/srettha-wants-warehouse-fire-answers>
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### **Issues to be watched out for**

- May 3, 2024 - The date set by the Constitutional Court for Move Forward to submit its statement of defense in the dissolution case.
- May 7, 2024 - April 2024 Consumer Confidence Inflation Data
- May 20, 2024 - NESDC press conference Thailand's GDP Q1/2024
- June 5, 2024 - May 2024 Consumer Confidence Inflation Data
- June 12, 2024 - Monetary Policy Committee holds its meeting
- July 5, 2024 - June 2024 Consumer Confidence Inflation Data
- August 5, 2024 - July 2024 Consumer Confidence Inflation Data
- August 19, 2024 - NESDC press conference Thailand's GDP Q2/2024

- August 21, 2024 - Monetary Policy Committee holds its meeting
- September 5, 2024 - August 2024 Consumer Confidence Inflation Data
- October 7, 2024 - September 2024 Consumer Confidence Inflation Data
- October 16, 2024 - Monetary Policy Committee holds its meeting
- November 5, 2024 - October 2024 Consumer Confidence Inflation Data
- November 18, 2024 - NESDC press conference Thailand's GDP Q3/2024
- December 6, 2024 - November 2024 Consumer Confidence Inflation Data
- December 18, 2024 - Monetary Policy Committee holds its meeting
- January 6, 2025 - December & Fiscal Year 2023 Consumer Confidence Inflation Data
- September 2025 - The deadline set by Transport Minister Suriya Juangroongruangkit that his ministry will implement a 20-Baht flat fare policy for all electric trains in the Bangkok Metropolitan Region.

For information on Opportunity Day of various companies click on the link –

<https://www.set.or.th/streaming/opofdayCalendar>

### **Key Data**

<b>SET Index</b>	<b>1,357.46</b>	<b>+7.94</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 April 23, 2024**

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

<b>Stock Code</b>	<b>Volume</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Action</b>
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<b>Stock Code</b>	<b>Volume</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Action</b>
ASIAN	5,000	6.85	Purchase
ASIAN	5,000	6.85	Sale
BAREIT	10,000	9.9	Purchase
BKD	253,800	1.3	Purchase
EP	14,600	2.62	Purchase
LPH	10,000	4.66	Purchase
LHK	7,900,000	-	Transfer
LHK	7,900,000	-	Transfer
MTC	100,000	42	Sale
NOBLE	1,539,000	-	Acceptance of Transfer
SUC	10,000	29.5	Purchase
STC	10,000	0.63	Purchase
SUPER	100,000	0.3	Purchase
TRITN	4,000,000	0.14	Purchase
TSTE	3,000	9.9	Purchase

### **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 23 April 2024</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	4,591.92	9.85	3,121.78	6.70	1,470.15	-
Proprietary Trading	3,118.05	6.69	3,203.89	6.87	-85.84	-
Foreign Investor	26,087.00	55.95	23,855.10	51.17	2,231.91	-
Local Individuals	12,825.79	27.51	16,442.01	35.27	-3,616.22	-
<b>Monthly Cumulative between 1 Apr –23 April 2024</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	51,829.55	9.19	53,027.88	9.40	-1,198.33	-
Proprietary Trading	34,505.19	6.12	36,941.76	6.55	-2,436.57	-
Foreign Investors	298,927.54	52.98	297,063.27	52.65	1,864.27	-
WLocal Individuals	178,981.99	31.72	177,211.36	31.41	1,770.63	-
<b>Yearly Cumulative since 1 Jan -23 April 2024</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	300,890.70	9.05	308,261.86	9.28	-7,371.16	-
Proprietary Trading	225,708.74	6.79	231,038.06	6.95	-5,329.32	-
Foreign Investors	1,755,896.17	52.84	1,823,358.10	54.87	-67,461.93	-

Local Individuals	1,040,454.10	31.31	960,291.69	28.90	80,162.40	-
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Total Trading Value 46,656.12 Million Baht

### **Background Information**

According to the report by the Election Commission of Thailand as of May 8, 2019, the strength of each party in the Thai Parliament following the elections 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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