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Thai Enquirer News Summary

Political News

- Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin will host a special meeting today to discuss the situation in Myanmar, particularly focusing on the recent developments in Myawaddy township, which has fallen into the hands of rebel forces.
 - ❖ Participants in the meeting, scheduled after the weekly cabinet meeting, will include the foreign minister, military commanders in chief, and senior officials from the National Security Council.
 - ❖ Myawaddy is located near Mae Sot district in Tak province, Thailand, connected by the Thai-Myanmar Friendship Bridge and checkpoints. The district has been affected by Myanmar's internal fighting multiple times, especially having to provide shelters for an influx of displaced persons from Myanmar.



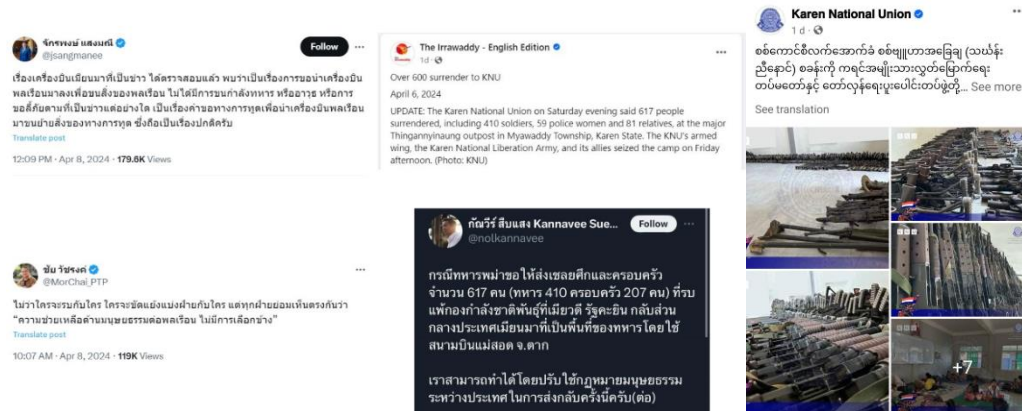
- The issue follows the weekend's civilian flight into Mae Sot airport in which the opposition said was military junta's key people running away from Myanmar with money and other goodies.



- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs confirmed that the Embassy of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar requested clearance for landing and refueling at Mae Sot Airport for 3 'Special Charter Flights' of Myanmar National Airlines carrying passengers and cargo on both legs between Yangon and Mae Sot from April 7-9. The Thai government approved the request based on humanitarian reasons.
 - ❖ One flight landed on Sunday, but the 2 remaining flights have been canceled. The ministry did not clarify what had been loaded onto the plane and whether they included money as some Myanmar news reports suggested.
 - ❖ Jakkapong Sangmanee, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, explained that the plane landed to evacuate civilians and transport non-military equipment as part of a routine mission.
 - ❖ According to opposition MP from the Fair Party, Kannavee Suebsang, the Myanmar junta requested the Thai government to use Mae Sot airport for landing repatriation flights intending to transport 617 surrendered soldiers, civil servants, and their families from Myawaddy back to Myanmar. Thai and Myanmar news reports had earlier indicated that revolutionary groups in Myanmar, such as the

Karen National Union (KNU) and the People's Defense Force, were taking control of Myawaddy and that 617 people had surrendered to the KNU at the Thingannyinaung outpost.

- ❖ However, upon landing, none of the initial group of 20 military officers and their families, who were reportedly supposed to return to Myanmar on the flight, showed up.



- 1st statement of a possible Cabinet Reshuffle comes out of the mouth of Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin.
 - ❖ Srettha said that he will reshuffle his cabinet when the time is right. He was speaking to reporters after visiting the southern provinces of Surat Thani and Nakhon Si Thammarat.
 - ❖ Srettha did not say when the reshuffle would take place, but he said that it would happen ‘when the time is right.’
 - ❖ He emphasized that the cabinet reshuffle has quotas for the Palang Pracharath Party and the Pheu Thai Party. It depends on whoever is nominated whether there will be a minor adjustment of 3 positions or 6 positions.
 - ❖ When asked if he tried to intimidate anyone by working hard, Srettha responded that all ministers know that there is no intimidation among them. They are communicating well, and Srettha is easily accessible.
- During his visit to Surat Thani the prime minister received a warm welcome from local residents and politicians, including Chaichana Dechdecho, a Democrat MP and deputy leader for Nakhon Si Thammarat.
 - ❖ However, he downplayed the significance of Chaichana's visit, saying that they simply talked about general matters and that there was no hidden agenda.

- ❖ He also denied that his visit to the south was intended to counter the perception that his Pheu Thai Party does not care about the southern region.



- The Senate will meet on April 10 to consider the results of a study on improving the regulation of online election campaigning.
 - ❖ The study was commissioned by the Senate in response to concerns about the use of social media to spread false and misleading information during the 2023 general election.
 - ❖ The study found that the Move Forward Party was the most effective user of social media, followed by the Democrat Party and the Pheu Thai Party. However, the Election Commission's (EC) regulations on the use of social media are outdated, as they were issued in 2007 and limit electronic campaign spending to 10,000 Baht.
 - ❖ The study recommends a number of changes to the regulations, such as allowing political parties to raise funds and sell merchandise online, regulating election campaign content, prohibiting content that attacks political parties, and holding those who share false information accountable.
- Pheu Thai Party leader Paetongtarn Shinawatra released photos on Monday of her father, former prime minister Thaksin Shinawatra, playing with his grandchildren in the swimming pool at the Chan Song Lar residence on her Instagram page, saying the kids were having a good time at Grandpa's house and didn't want to return home.



- Following this, Rangsiman Rome, a Move Forward Party MP, raised questions about the medical parole granted to Thaksin, citing his recent photos.
 - ❖ Rome argued that the photos, which showed Thaksin in the pool and also him lifting weight, further emphasized the perception that Thaksin's medical parole was a special privilege granted through the use of state and judicial mechanisms.
 - ❖ Rome questioned the validity of the medical assessment that deemed Thaksin eligible for parole, stating that the 9-point score he received suggests a severe condition. He further questioned the inaction of the organizations responsible for investigating misconduct, arguing that they do not require someone to file complaint to act if there is already clear evidence of wrongdoing.
 - ❖ The 9-point score indicates a very poor condition. The individual must have problems with many activities such as eating, dressing, walking, climbing stairs, getting out of bed, or washing their face and brushing teeth.



Economic News

- A day before the meeting of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) the Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin, has come out to say that he wants the central bank to cut the rates.

- ❖ In a slap to Srettha's previous calls, the MPC, had voted to keep the Repurchase Rates (REPO) at 2.50% (unchanged) but economists say that with many central banks around the world cutting rates, it is likely that the MPC will cut the rates by up to 25 basis points (0.25%).
- ❖ But Srettha has come out to say that he wants to see 0.50% rate cut, something that the MPC may disagree with.

<https://www.reuters.com/markets/asia/thai-pm-central-bank-should-cut-rates-by-least-25-bps-2024-04-08/>

- The cabinet will meet today to consider a number of important issues. According to reports, the Ministry of Finance will propose a package of economic stimulus measures aimed at the real estate sector and supporting Thailand's vision of becoming a global industrial hub.
 - ❖ The measures include increasing the ceiling for property transfer tax and other fees from 3 million Baht to 7 million Baht, offering low-interest loan schemes and tax breaks for new homeowners, and reviewing the criteria for foreigners buying homes and land in Thailand.
 - ❖ The Budget Bureau will propose an increase of 152.7 billion Baht to the 2025 budget, bringing the total to 3.752 trillion Baht to support the economic stimulus measures.
 - ❖ The cabinet will also consider a report on the study of Entertainment Complexes by the Office of the Secretary-General of the House of Representatives and recommendations for preventing fraud in the 10,000 Baht digital wallet scheme.
- 99 academics have issued a statement expressing concern over the cabinet's consideration of a report recommending the legalization of casinos within integrated entertainment complexes. The academics argued that gambling does not generate new wealth, but simply transfers money from losers to winners, draining resources from Thai households, particularly those of the middle class, working class, and lower income earners.
 - ❖ The statement acknowledged the government's view that casinos and integrated entertainment complexes could create jobs, distribute income, and increase circulation of money within the economy. However, the academics contended that these potential benefits are outweighed by the severe social consequences of legalized casinos. They also argued that the claim that legalizing casinos will eradicate underground operations and reduce official corruption is unrealistic.
 - ❖ The group urged the government to conduct a thorough study of the issue and hold a referendum to gauge public opinion nationwide.

- Thai retail sales continued to slump in the 1st quarter of 2024, as consumers grappled with rising costs of living.
 - ❖ Somchai Pornrattanacharoen, honorary advisor to the Thai Retailers and Wholesalers Association, said that sales at traditional grocery stores fell by 30% in the 1st quarter, compared to the same period last year.
 - ❖ The decline was seen across all categories, including consumer staples, beverages, and alcoholic drinks. Somchai said that the weak purchasing power is expected to continue into the 3rd quarter of 2024.
 - ❖ However, he is hopeful that the government's plan to distribute 10,000 Baht in digital wallets to each citizen will help to boost spending in the 4th quarter.
 - ❖ Somchai also said that the recent increase in diesel prices will have a negative impact on transportation costs, but that manufacturers are likely to hold off on raising prices for now.
- The Bangkok International Motor Show recorded a 27.5% rise in orders, with Toyota leading sales, while traditional cars still dominated despite electric vehicles gaining pace, the show's organiser said on Monday.
 - ❖ Orders for 53,438 cars and 5,173 motorcycles were booked during the event held from March 27 to April 7, Grand Prix International said in a statement.
 - ❖ EVs accounted for about 32.8% of the car orders. Toyota received orders for 8,540 cars, followed by China's BYD with 5,345 cars. Chinese EV car makers were in the spotlight amid the growing challenge to Japanese auto giants that have long dominated Thailand's vehicle market.

ยอดจองรถยนต์ MOTOR SHOW 2024		ครั้งที่ 45 : 25 มีนาคม - 7 เมษายน 2567 (14 วัน)		MOTOR SHOW Grandprix	
ยอดจองรถยนต์ (+24.0%)					
53,438 คัน					
1	Toyota	8,540 คัน	2	BYD	5,345 คัน
3	Honda	4,607 คัน	4	MG	3,518 คัน
5	Mitsubishi	3,409 คัน	6	ChangAn	3,073 คัน
7	Aion	3,018 คัน	8	GWM	2,815 คัน
9	Isuzu	2,734 คัน	10	Nissan	2,488 คัน
11	Mazda	2,292 คัน	12	Benz	1,642 คัน
13	NETA	1,618 คัน	14	Suzuki	1,608 คัน
15	Ford	1,469 คัน	16	KIA	1,151 คัน
17	Hyundai	1,080 คัน	18	BMW	1,001 คัน
19	Zeekr	398 คัน	20	Volvo	320 คัน
21	XPENG	188 คัน	22	Audi	182 คัน
23	MINI	166 คัน	24	Lexus	146 คัน
25	Peugeot	88 คัน	26	Porsche	65 คัน
27	Lotus	32 คัน	28	Jeep	21 คัน
29	Maserati	15 คัน	30	Rolls-Royce	3 คัน
31	Bentley	3 คัน			
สัดส่วนยอดจอง - รถสันดาปปกติ 33,651 คัน (67.7%) - รถไฟฟ้า 100% 17,517 คัน (32.8%)					
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- Amonthep Chawla, Executive Vice President at CIMB Thai Bank, expected the Bank of Thailand to cut its policy interest rate by 0.25% to 2.25%.
 - ❖ He said that the Thai economy is recovering slowly, investment and exports are weak, and the government is not providing enough fiscal stimulus. However, he believed that monetary policy alone cannot solve the short-term economic problems facing Thailand.
 - ❖ Meanwhile, analysts at Bank of Ayudhya believed that the BoT will hold off on cutting rates for now. They said that cutting rates ahead of the US Federal Reserve would put further downward pressure on the Baht.
 - ❖ The Baht hit a six-month low of 36.81 to the dollar on April 5, 2024.



- Isares Rattanadilok Na Phuket, vice chairman of the Federation of Thai Industries (FTI), said that the Bank of Thailand (BoT) will surely cut its policy interest rate at its meeting on April 10, 2024.
 - ❖ He said that the Thai economy is in a weak state, with high household debt and living costs. He argued that a rate cut would help to stimulate the economy by lowering borrowing costs.
 - ❖ The BoT voted to hold its policy rate at 2.50% at its last meeting on February 7, 2024. However, two of the seven members of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) voted to cut the rate by 0.25%.
 - ❖ Isares said that the BoT should not wait for the US Federal Reserve to cut rates before acting because the economic structures of Thailand and the US are different, and that Thailand needs a rate cut now to boost growth. He also expressed concerns about the government's digital wallet policy. The government should target the money to those who are most in need, rather than giving it to everyone.
- PTT Exploration and Production Plc (PTTEP), a subsidiary of PTT Plc, notified the Stock Exchange of Thailand regarding Unocal Myanmar, a Chevron subsidiary, withdrawing its investment in the Yadana project in Myanmar effective April 1, 2024.

- ❖ PTTEP's proportion in the project changed from 37.0842% to 62.9630%. The estimated average sales volume of the project in 2024 under PTTEP's proportion is expected to increase by approximately 4,000 barrels per day (KBD), representing an upside of around 0.8%. This does not constitute a transaction as it involves investment withdrawal, thus having no impact on the company's profit or loss.



- NEO Corporation Plc (NEO) is set to list and begin trading its initial public offering (IPO) shares on the Stock Exchange of Thailand today.
 - ❖ Brokers estimated NEO's fair value at 54 Baht per share, citing projected earnings growth of 8% in 2024 and 7% in 2025, compared to other listed companies in the same sector, which are still expected to experience double-digit growth.
 - ❖ NEO has a registered capital of 300 million Baht after the IPO, with a par value of 1 Baht per share. The company offered 87.5 million IPO shares at a price of 39 Baht per share, raising a total of 3.04 billion Baht. The market capitalization of NEO at the IPO price is 11.70 billion Baht.
- The Gold Traders Association (GTA) announced on Monday a record-high gold price adjustment of 32 times.
 - ❖ The price of gold jewelry reached a high of 41,150 Baht per Baht-weight during the trading day before closing at 41,100 Baht. Meanwhile, gold bars also reached a peak of 40,650 Baht per Baht-weight before concluding at 40,600 Baht.
 - ❖ Analysts at InterGOLD Gold Trade attributed the surge in gold prices to heightened geopolitical tensions in the Middle East. Iran's vow to retaliate against Israel for a recent attack on its embassy in Syria is seen as a major contributing factor.

Additionally, reports of China's central bank continuously adding to its gold reserves for 17 consecutive months have greatly fueled investor confidence.

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วันที่	รับซื้อ	ขายออก	ทองคำแท่ง	ทองคำรูปพรรณ	Gold Spot	ค่าเงินบาท	ดัชนี		
08/04/2024	17.90	32	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,825.32	41,150.00	2,338.00	36.72	▲50
08/04/2024	16.20	21	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,764.00	41,100.00	2,331.50	36.71	▼50
08/04/2024	16.17	30	40,550.00	40,650.00	39,825.32	41,150.00	2,337.50	36.73	▲50
08/04/2024	15.25	29	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,764.00	41,100.00	2,337.00	36.69	▼50
08/04/2024	15.15	28	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,825.32	41,150.00	2,341.00	36.67	▲50
08/04/2024	14.26	27	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,764.00	41,100.00	2,337.00	36.60	▼50
08/04/2024	14.33	28	40,450.00	40,550.00	39,719.20	41,050.00	2,334.50	36.60	▼50
08/04/2024	14.51	28	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,764.00	41,100.00	2,338.00	36.70	▼50
08/04/2024	13.91	26	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,825.32	41,150.00	2,338.00	36.71	▲50
08/04/2024	13.42	25	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,764.00	41,100.00	2,336.00	36.70	▼50
08/04/2024	13.33	22	40,550.00	40,650.00	39,825.32	41,150.00	2,340.00	36.69	▲50
08/04/2024	13.22	21	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,764.00	41,100.00	2,336.00	36.71	▲50
08/04/2024	12.40	20	40,400.00	40,500.00	39,719.20	41,050.00	2,324.00	36.69	▼50
08/04/2024	12.44	19	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,764.00	41,100.00	2,337.50	36.69	▲50
08/04/2024	12.40	18	40,450.00	40,550.00	39,719.20	41,050.00	2,338.00	36.67	▲50
08/04/2024	12.30	17	40,400.00	40,500.00	39,673.72	41,000.00	2,333.50	36.66	▼50
08/04/2024	12.26	16	40,450.00	40,550.00	39,719.20	41,050.00	2,337.50	36.64	▼50
08/04/2024	11.41	15	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,764.00	41,100.00	2,342.00	36.61	▼50
08/04/2024	11.30	14	40,550.00	40,650.00	39,825.32	41,150.00	2,345.00	36.62	▲50
08/04/2024	11.12	13	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,764.00	41,100.00	2,341.00	36.60	▼50
08/04/2024	10.46	12	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,825.32	41,150.00	2,344.00	36.63	▲50
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08/04/2024	09.40	9	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,764.00	41,100.00	2,344.00	36.62	▼50
08/04/2024	09.30	8	40,500.00	40,600.00	39,825.32	41,150.00	2,347.00	36.62	▲100
08/04/2024	09.30	7	40,450.00	40,550.00	39,719.20	41,050.00	2,341.00	36.63	▲50
08/04/2024	09.37	6	40,400.00	40,500.00	39,673.72	41,000.00	2,336.00	36.63	▲50
08/04/2024	09.30	5	40,350.00	40,450.00	39,628.24	40,950.00	2,331.00	36.63	▲50
08/04/2024	09.32	4	40,300.00	40,400.00	39,582.76	40,900.00	2,330.00	36.64	▲50
08/04/2024	09.21	3	40,200.00	40,300.00	39,527.12	40,800.00	2,327.00	36.65	▼50
08/04/2024	09.11	2	40,100.00	40,200.00	39,471.48	40,700.00	2,324.00	36.64	▲50
08/04/2024	09.07	1	40,200.00	40,300.00	39,527.12	40,800.00	2,329.00	36.67	▲100

General News

- Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin acknowledged that there has been some confusion over the upcoming Songkran Festival.
 - ❖ The Songkran festival, which is Thailand's New Year, is traditionally celebrated from April 13 to 15. However, this year, the government has announced that it will be extending the festival to 21 days in what is called the “Maha Songkran World Water Festival 2024.”
 - ❖ However, this has caused confusion over the festival’s dates, leading foreign tourists who arrived in Thailand to find that there are no Songkran celebrations taking place. Srettha apologized for the confusion and said that he will ask the Minister of Tourism and Sports to look into the matter. Each province in Thailand has its own unique Songkran traditions, and that some places will be celebrating the festival after April 13-16 such as Phra Pradaeng and Pattaya.



- Chiang Mai Governor Nirat Pongsitthaworn has signed an order requiring public and private sector employees to work from home from April 9 to 11, 2024.
 - ❖ The order is aimed at reducing citizens' exposure to PM2.5 air pollution, which has been rapidly rising in Chiang Mai. The order also recommends that tourists reduce outdoor activities and wear face masks when they go outside.
- His Majesty the King's 2nd eldest son, Vacharaesorn Vivacharawongse, was appointed by Wichien Chubthaisong, president of the Lawyers Council of Thailand, to be his honorary adviser until 2025.
 - ❖ The appointment was announced in a meeting at the council's headquarters in Bangkok. The session was also attended by the council's board of directors and councillors.
 - ❖ Vacharaesorn, who works as a lawyer in New York, expressed his gratitude to the council president in entrusting him with this esteemed position. "I promise to dedicate my physical and mental efforts as well as my knowledge to the people's benefit," said Vacharaesorn, who is fondly called "Than On" by Thais. "I pledge to perform my duties to the best of my ability to ensure equality and fairness in the justice system."
 - ❖ After living abroad for 27 years, Vacharaesorn and his younger brother, Chakriwat, also known as "Than Ong", made their first visit to Thailand on August 7, 2023. Than On travelled to Thailand again on December 4 to attend Father's Day celebrations on December 5 in Bangkok, and then again on March 6, when he reportedly intended to stay until the end of Songkran Festival on April 15.



Political News Headlines in Thai Media

- House plans special session

- Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/politics/2771859/house-plans-special-session>
- Big parties 'abusing' Senate elections
 - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/politics/2771854/big-parties-abusing-senate-elections>
- Move Forward Party defers vote ahead of court ruling
 - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/politics/2772233/move-forward-party-defers-vote-ahead-of-court-ruling>
- Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin chose to neither deny nor confirm rumours of a possible Cabinet reshuffle, saying only that the public will know when it happens.
 - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/thailand/politics/40037086>
- The Move Forward Party held its annual general meeting for 2024 at the Maple Hotel in Bangkok amid a crisis that might see the party facing dissolution.
 - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/thailand/politics/40037038>
- Former premier Thaksin Shinawatra announced in a video clip that his daughter, Paetongtarn, would be a good leader of the ruling Pheu Thai Party because she has “inherited” his DNA.
 - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/thailand/politics/40037017>
- An opinion survey found that most people disagree with a government directive that treats those found with five meth pills as addicts, to distinguish them from sellers, according to a recent survey.
 - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/thailand/general/40037054>
- The Election Commission (EC) plans to petition the Constitutional Court to ban a former Move Forward Party MP for breaching an election law that prevents candidates from running in an election to the lower House despite knowing that they are disqualified.
 - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/thailand/general/40037034>

- The resignation of Saksayam Chidchob, brother of political heavyweight Newin Chidchob, as secretary-general of the coalition Bhumjaithai Party has triggered upheaval in its executive board and the appointment of his son Chaichanok in the key party seat.
 - Link- <https://www.thaipbsworld.com/chaichanok-chidchob-heir-of-political-kingmaker-newin-stakes-claim-in-bhumjaithai/>
 - Two para-military rangers were killed and eight others were injured in an ambush by southern insurgents in Rue So district of the southern Thai province of Narathiwat on Sunday.
 - Link- <https://www.thaipbsworld.com/two-rangers-killed-8-injured-in-narathiwat-ambush/>
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Economic News Headlines in Thai Media

- Thailand's consumer price index for March was 107.25, down from 107.76 in the same month last year, resulting in a 0.47% drop in headline inflation for the sixth consecutive month.
 - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/blogs/thailand/economy/40037010>
- So far, a total of 19 workers have been admitted to Samut Sakhon Hospital to be treated for cadmium exposure, a senior Public Health Ministry official said.
 - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/thailand/general/40037076>
- Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin ate Kaeng Tai Pla while having lunch on Koh Samui, Surat Thani province, on Sunday.
 - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/thailand/general/40037060>
- Thai exporters and government agencies have been urged to boost durian exports to China after Vietnam claimed the title of top "king of fruits" exporter.
 - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/thailand/economy/40037059>
- Thailand and Bhutan are slated to hold talks on a free trade agreement (FTA) in May this year, which could help boost bilateral trade to US\$120 million (4.30 billion Baht) by 2025.

- Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/thailand/economy/40037051>
 - The Thai government's decision to levy a 7% value-added tax (VAT) on goods imported online worth one Baht or more beginning in May would not affect e-commerce of products from China, Narongsak Putthapornmongkol, president of the Thai-Chinese Chamber of Commerce, said on Friday.
 - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/thailand/economy/40037033>
 - China EV manufacturer BYD experienced robust sales at the Bangkok International Motor Show 2024, which wrapped yesterday, recording more than 5,000 bookings for its vehicles. ION and DePaul also excelled in the EV market.
 - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/business/automobile/40037067>
 - Financial transactions via internet banking in 2023 decreased by 30.7% year on year, covering 28.8 million accounts compared with 41.5 million accounts recorded in 2022, the Bank of Thailand (BOT) reported in its annual online payment statistics published on Friday.
 - Link- <https://www.nationthailand.com/business/banking-finance/40037040>
 - 1,600 officials to ensure order at popular Songkran locations
 - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2772603/1-600-officials-to-ensure-order-at-popular-songkran-locations>
 - Thai fuel usage increases by 4.1%
 - Link- <https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/general/2771844/thai-fuel-usage-increases-by-4-1->
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Issues to be watched out for

- April 10, 2024 - Monetary Policy Committee holds its meeting
- April 12-15, 2024 - Songkran Break (Thai New Year)

- April 23, 2024 - FTI executives meet to elect the new President
- 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

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

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

Key Data

SET Index **1,375.58** **+1.69**

Link - 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 5, 2024

Buying, Selling or Transfer of shares by Owners/Management

Stock Code	Volume	Value	Action
ALPHAX	2,500,000	0.78	Purchase
APO	50,000	2.6	Sale
APCO	44,000	4.94	Purchase
APCO	32,000	4.96	Purchase
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APCO	44,000	4.94	Purchase
APCO	32,000	4.96	Purchase
APCO	50,000	4.96	Purchase
CRD	800,000	0.49	Sale
CH	100,000	2.5	Purchase
CH	200,000	2.5	Purchase

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CH	199,800	2.48	Purchase
DTCENT	100,000	1.34	Purchase
EP	10,500	2.66	Purchase
EP	1,000	2.66	Purchase
EP	2,000,000	-	Transfer
EKH	10,800	1.47	Purchase
EKH	50,000	1.46	Purchase
JR	91,000	4.38	Purchase
JR	54,900	4.38	Purchase
JR	2,100	4.39	Purchase
JPARK	100,000	5.65	Purchase
KTMS	1,261,800	2.6	Purchase
LEO	61,200	0.5	Sale
NAM	7,100	4.56	Purchase
PIMO	11,035,000	1.45	Purchase
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QLT	350,000	2.77	Purchase
RPH	10,000	6.1	Purchase
RPH	20,000	6.1	Purchase
RPH	40,000	6.1	Purchase
SAF	46,000	0.78	Purchase
SAF	91,000	0.76	Purchase
SCN	979,200	0.95	Purchase
SELIC	15,100	2.4	Purchase
SELIC	6,900	2.4	Purchase
SELIC	29,700	2.4	Purchase
SELIC	25,000	2.37	Purchase
SISB	555,000	40	Sale
SCM	21,400	1.41	Purchase
SCM	60,400	1.46	Purchase
SUPER	1,700,000	0.3	Purchase
TRITN	10,000,000	0.13	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

Daily as of 5 April 2024						
Investor Type	Buy		Sell		Net	
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%
Local Institutions	3,223.78	12.00	2,713.95	10.10	509.83	-
Proprietary Trading	1,651.59	6.15	2,102.92	7.83	-451.32	-
Foreign Investor	13,889.64	51.69	12,620.05	46.96	1,269.59	-
Local Individuals	8,107.21	30.17	9,435.31	35.11	-1,328.10	-
Monthly Cumulative between 1 Apr –5 April 2024						
Investor Type	Buy		Sell		Net	
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%
Local Institutions	18,222.72	11.04	20,892.08	12.66	-2,669.36	-
Proprietary Trading	9,987.27	6.05	9,934.01	6.02	53.26	-
Foreign Investors	84,450.13	51.17	82,603.98	50.05	1,846.15	-
WLocal Individuals	52,376.72	31.74	51,606.77	31.27	769.95	-
Yearly Cumulative since 1 Jan -5 April 2024						
Investor Type	Buy		Sell		Net	
	Value	%	Value	%	Value	%
Local Institutions	267,283.88	9.14	276,126.06	9.44	-8,842.18	-
Proprietary Trading	201,190.82	6.88	204,030.30	6.98	-2,839.49	-
Foreign Investors	1,541,418.77	52.72	1,608,898.82	55.03	-67,480.06	-
Local Individuals	913,848.84	31.26	834,687.11	28.55	79,161.73	-

Total Trading Value 26,897.11 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
- List of MPs - https://www.ect.go.th/ect_th/download/article/article_20190508184334.pdf

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