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AMENDMENT TO THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP PROJECT PREPARATION PLANS 2020 – 2027

The Public Private Partnership Project Preparation Plans 2020-2027 (the "**PPP Plans**") have been amended pursuant to the first meeting of the PPP Commission No. 1/2564 (2021) which was held on 23 February 2021. Details of the PPP Plans prior to the amendment can be found in our previous newsletter published in June 2020.

The PPP Commission considers that it is necessary to amend the PPP Plans to reflect the current progress and readiness of each PPP project.

Under the amended PPP Plans, there has been a reduction in PPP projects from 92 projects to 77 projects. This has resulted in a slight reduction of investment cost from approximately 1.09 trillion Baht to 1 trillion Baht. However, the number and investment cost of high priority projects has increased from 18 projects with 472 billion Baht of investment cost to 20 projects with 503 billion Baht of investment cost.

Notable amendments to existing High Priority PPP projects are as follows:

1. Expressway Sai Kathu – Patong Phuket

The Kathu — Patong Expressway Project is a project involving the development of an elevated expressway route in Phuket which has a total length of 3.98 kilometers. This includes a tunnel cut through a mountain situated in the middle of the route.

Commencement of project operation: postponed from 2025 to 2027.

2. The MRT Orange Line Project - Bang Khun Non - Min Buri (Suwinthawong)

The MRT Orange Line Project is a project extending a dual underground and elevated transit system with a length of up to approximately 35.9 kilometers. The route connects the west side and the east side of Bangkok and therefore enhances the public transportation of the areas through which it passes.

Total investment cost: from 128,127 million Baht of private investment cost to 111,077 million Baht of private investment cost. The total investment cost of 235,320 million Baht remains the same.

Commencement of project operation: postponed from 2026 to 2027

3. Housing Development Project in Nong-hoi Community, Chiang Mai

The aim of the project is to develop housing thereby improving the standard of living in the Nonghoi community, Chiang Mai. The target groups are the elderly and the poor.

Commencement of project operation: postponed from 2021 to 2023.

Two additional High Priority PPP Projects are as follows:

Development of a rest area along the Chonburi – Pattaya Motorway

The project aims to facilitate and to support the safety of Chonburi – Pattaya Motorway road users.

Responsible Agency: Department of Highways – Ministry of Transportation **Total investment cost:** 1,708 million Baht (921 million Baht from a private party)

Project Model: Build – Transfer – Operate (BTO) **Commencement of project operation:** 2023

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2.	Phase 1 of Phuket Mass Transit System Development: Phuket International Airport to Chalong Intersection.	
	The elevated rail project commences from Phuket International Airport, running along highway No. 402 to Phuket City. Subsequently, the rail will run underground and include 3 kilometers of	
	tunnel. The route, which will extend for approximately 54 kilometers, will terminate at Chalong	
	Intersection.	
	Responsible Agency: Mass Rapid Transit Authority of Thailand— Ministry of Transportation	
	Total investment cost: 35,201 million Baht (16,851 million Baht from a private party) Project	
	Model: Build – Transfer – Operate (BTO)	
	Commencement of project operation: 2026	
fν	ou have any questions in relation to the legal implications of PPP Projects in Thailand, please	

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