

## **Revenue Department News**

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Police smashed 2 false VAT invoice gangs year

Today (8<sup>th</sup> August 2014) Mr. Prasong Poontaneat, Director – General of the Revenue Department and The Economic Crime Suppression Division, Royal Thai Police held a press conference for smashing 2 false VAT invoice gangs. The first one was captured in Lop Buri, Miss Pornpawee Jirayu-apichaikul, an unemployed person and the last one was arrested in Bangkae District in Bangkok, Miss Supratra Boonwat and Miss Preuksa Boonwat allegedly operated a cosmetics business as a front. Both were not however related to each other. The investigation revealed that an issuance of the VAT invoice with nothing is relevant to a real business deemed to be illegally VAT invoice issuance and caused the loss of tax revenue approximately 100 million baht. However, the real loss is in the process of examining from computer data and the Revenue Department will continuously extend results to their buyers.

The VAT invoice issuance without the right violates section 90/4 (3) of the revenue code and for the purpose of tax credit, a user of false VAT invoice or illegally issued invoice shall be sentenced from 3 months up to 7 years and fined 2,000 up to 200,000 baht.

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