

Revenue Department News

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Subject	: The Revenue Department explains about a tax measure encouraging individuals
	to carry on business as a company and reminds businesses to submit their
	financial statements for the accounting period 2017

Today (10^{th} May 2018) Mr. Prasong Poontaneat, Director-General of the Revenue Department, opened the seminar "Tax measure for entrepreneurs who operate their businesses as companies" in order to provide clarification on the measure and on the Revenue Department's relevant tax administration practices, as well as to encourage businesses to file annual corporate income tax returns correctly within the deadline. The seminar took place at the Pra-Utain 1 conference room on the 2^{nd} floor of the Revenue Department.

Mr. Prasong Poontaneat, Director-General of the Revenue Department, revealed that, "On 1st May 2018, the cabinet approved to extend a tax measure encouraging individuals to set up their businesses as companies. The individual transferor must receive the company's ordinary shares as consideration for transferred assets; and personal income tax and value-added tax for the transfer of individual assets to companies or partnerships established under Thai law between 1st January 2018 to 31st December 2018, will be exempted."

In addition, from 1st January 2019 onward, financial institutions will require businesses to use financial accounts submitted to the Revenue Department as an evidence for financial transactions and loan approval. Therefore, entrepreneurs shall prepare the correct financial statements in accordance with their businesses status.

Businesses having accounting periods ending on 31st December 2017 are required by law to file annual corporate income tax returns and pay tax (if any) within 150 days from the last day of their accounting periods. The deadline for filing tax returns is 30th May 2018. For those submitting tax returns online via www.rd.go.th will get an extension for tax return filing and tax payment until 7th June 2018. Moreover, the entrepreneurs who file P.N.D. 50 tax returns through the Revenue Department's e-Filing system and submit electronic audited financial statements to the Department of Business Development via www.dbd.go.th (DBD e-Filing) do not need to submit audited financial statements to the Revenue Department.

The Director-General of the Revenue Department also added that, "At present, the Ministry of Finance has integrated data from 3 collection agencies and other agencies such as Department of Business Development and Ministry of Commerce. The Revenue Department realizes the important roles that technological progress and financial innovation play in business operation. Therefore, we have studied financial innovation models to determine the most beneficial policy for taxpayers."

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