

(Unofficial Translation)
Announcement of the Board of Investment
No. 10/2565
Measure for Competitiveness Enhancement

Announcement of the Board of Investment No. 8/2565 dated December 9, 2022 on Policies and Criteria for Investment Promotion.

To encourage investment capital and expenditures for improving competitiveness in the area of advanced technology and innovation as well as research and development, by virtue of Section 16, Section 18, Section 31, and Section 31/1 of the Investment Promotion Act B.E. 2520 (1977), the Board of Investment hereby announces the followings.

1. The BOI-promoted projects can apply for additional for competitiveness enhancement in case the projects have the following investment capital or expenditure:

1.1 Technology and Innovation

- Research and development of technology and innovation, including in-house research and development, outsourced research and development in Thailand or joint research and development with overseas organizations
- Expenditures on intellectual property acquisition and/or licensing fees for commercializing technology developed in Thailand
- Product and packaging design, either in-house or outsourcing in Thailand as approved by the Board of Investment
- Support science and technology organizations such as educational institutions, specialized training centers, research institutes or governmental agencies including funds such as technology and innovation development or human resource development as approved by the Board of Investment.

1.2 Human Resource Development

- Advanced technology training
- Organize training or job training to develop skills, technology and innovation for the students studying science and technology, e.g. Work-integrated Learning (WiL), Dual Vocational Education or Cooperative Education as approved by the Board of Investment.

1.3 Entrepreneur Competency Development

- Development of local suppliers of raw materials or parts with Thai shareholders at least 51 percent of the registered capital in advanced technology training and technical assistance

Details shall be in accordance with the criteria specified by the Office of the Board of Investment. However, project shall be granted the additional on corporate income tax exemption with a cap equivalent to 200 percent of investment capital and expenditure as follows:

- (1) One additional year of corporate income tax exemption shall be granted if qualified investment capital or expenditure is not less than 1 percent of the total sales in the first 3 years or not less than 200 million Baht, whichever is lower. However, the total period of corporate income tax exemption shall not exceed 8 years.
- (2) Two additional years of corporate income tax exemption shall be granted if the combined investment capital or expenditure is not less than 2 percent of the total sales in the first 3 years or not less than 400 million Baht, whichever is lower. However, the total period of corporate income tax exemption shall not exceed 8 years.
- (3) Three additional years of corporate income tax exemption shall be granted if the combined investment capital or expenditure is not less than 3 percent of the total sales in the first 3 years or not less than 600 million Baht, whichever is lower. However, the total period of corporate income tax exemption shall not exceed 8 years.
- (4) Four additional years of corporate income tax exemption shall be granted if the combined investment capital or expenditure is not less than 4 percent of the total sales in the first 3 years or not less than 800 million Baht, whichever is lower. However, the total period of corporate income tax exemption shall not exceed 8 years.
- (5) Five additional years of corporate income tax exemption shall be granted if the combined investment capital or expenditure is not less than 5 percent of the total sales in the first 3 years or not less than 1,000 million Baht, whichever is lower. However, the total period of corporate income tax exemption shall not exceed 8 years.

The activities in Group A1 and A2 shall be granted the additional period of corporate income tax exemption. However, the total period of corporate income tax exemption shall not exceed 13 years.

2. In case of investment capital or expenditure on research and development of technology and innovation only, including in-house research and development, outsourced research and development in Thailand or joint research and development with overseas organizations is not less than 1 percent of the total sales in the first 3 years or not less than 200 million Baht, whichever is lower. The project will be granted corporate income tax exemption without cap. However, the list of activities appended the additional incentive on Measure for Competitiveness Enhancement shall be entitled the activities adopting advanced technology and innovation which will be granted the total period of corporate income tax exemption shall not exceed 13 years.

3. To promote the Investment for technology and innovation development, the existing BOI-promoted projects can apply for additional incentive under this measure.

This Announcement shall be effective from January 3, 2023 onwards.

Announced on December 8, 2022.

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