

Revenue Department News

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the next level

Today, 27th June 2019, the Revenue Department held the 2nd Tax Talks event under the name of "Digital Services for Business Enterprise." There, **Dr. Ekniti Nitithanprapas, the Director-General of the Revenue Department**, declared the agenda for the development of tax-regarding services via the use of digital technology to enhance the digital services for business entities. The agenda was to have government agencies cooperate with private sectors in developing services provided by the Revenue Department, e.g. to allow registration for juristic person and VAT matters via electronic means, to link financial statement with DBD, to facilitate tax filing and tax payment via electronic means, to issue of electronic tax invoice, etc. This service development will lead the Revenue Department to achieve the goal of being "the Revenue Department in the New Era," which will truly serves the needs of taxpayers.

Dr. Ekniti Nitithanprapas, the Director-General of the Revenue Department, revealed that "the challenge of the Revenue Department in becoming the Revenue Department in the New Era is the ability to provide services that satisfy the taxpayers. The change of technology and the increase of various needs of taxpayers in the digital age caused the Revenue Department to develop and design services that serve the needs of all taxpayers faster, and to decrease the difficulties for the taxpayers by using technology as a tool to expand the cooperation with other agencies, of which the Revenue Department has set up standard information systems with Open API to link the information and with Blockchain to expand future information access points."

The 2nd TAX Talks on the topic of "Digitalization of Business Enterprise Taxation : Challenges and Future," conducted by Dr.Nuttapon Nimmanphatcharin, the Director of the Digital Economy Promotion Agency, and Ms.Kanittha Sahamethapat, Principal Advisor on Information and Communication Technology, the Revenue Department, was to reflect the challenges and future of government and private sectors on working in the digital era. The examples of the cooperation between the Revenue Department and the private sector were given during the talk: Mr. Payong Srivanich, Executive Director of Krungthai Bank Pub Co., Ltd. shared the information on the project of applying Blockchain system to tax refund for tourist procedure, which was initiated to enhance the capability of the VAT refund to tourist procedure and to serve the increasing numbers of tourists. Moreover, Mr. Orapong Tianngen,

Chief Executive Officer of Digital Ventures Co., Ltd. talked about the project on applying Blockchain to the issuance and the submit of electronic tax invoices, i.e. e-TAX Invoice on Blockchain, which aimed to decrease the cost of issuance and submission of tax invoices by entrepreneurs.

In addition, the Revenue Department introduced topics on "Starting Business Tax with Understanding for Sustainable Growth" lectured by Dr. Panachit Kittipanya-ngam, Association President of Thailand Tech Startup Association, and "Digital Tax Services for Business Entities" lectured by Dr. Vinit Visessuvanapoom, Director of Tax Collection Standards Division, the Revenue Department. The talks were to explain the digital tax services provided by the Revenue Department, which would then lead to the more convenient and efficient services for business entities.

Dr. Ekniti Nitithanprapas, ended the talk with the thoughts that regardless of the form of business, to enter the tax system correctly is the key for the business to develop and grow in a sustainable way and to comply with the law at the present is no longer difficult as the Revenue Department aimed to improve our tax services and expand the cooperation with both the government and private agencies to make tax easy for everyone. Furthermore, the Revenue Department has prepared Tax Ambassador in each Area Revenue Offices and Branches of Area Revenue Offices, to guide taxpayers on tax matters, so that the Revenue Department would become "the Revenue Department in the New Era," which would improve the services to truly satisfy the needs of taxpayers.

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