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# Thailand-Taiwan Tax Treaty



# Thailand-Taiwan Tax Treaty

Effective date: 19 December 2012

Taxable year: 1 January 2013

Type of Income	Thai WHT rates	Tax treaty rates (Maximum)
Dividend	10%	5%/10%
Interest	15%	10%/15%
Royalties	15%	10%
Capital Gains (shares)	15%	0%

# Flood Relief Measures



# 1. Debt Restructuring Royal Decree No. 548

- **Exemption:** CIT, VAT, SBT and Stamp duty
- Entitlement: Debt restructuring of the debtors affected by floods according the debt restructuring framework prescribed by the Bank of Thailand.
- Effective date: debt restructure agreement entered and transactions executed during 22 July 2011 and 31 December 2015

# 1. Debt Restructuring Ministerial Regulation No. 298

- Amendment to the Ministerial Regulation No. 186
- CIT Bad debt written-off
  - By financial institutions and other creditors
  - For debt forgiveness to debtors affected by floods
  - Under debt restructuring framework prescribed by the Bank of Thailand
  - Executed during 25 July 2011 and 31 December 2015
  - Don't have to follow normal bad debt written-off procedures under Clause 4, 5, and 6 of the Ministerial Regulation No. 186

# 1. Debt Restructuring Director General Notification on VAT No. 188

- Amendment to DGN-VAT No. 85
- Output VAT Bad debt written-off
  - By financial institutions and other creditors
  - For debt forgiveness to debtors affected by floods
  - Under debt restructuring framework prescribed by the Bank of Thailand
  - Executed during 25 July 2011 and 31 December 2015
  - Don't have to follow normal bad debt written-off procedures under Clause 3, 4, and 5 of to DGN-VAT
     No. 85

# Corporate Income Tax (CIT)



# 1. Corporate income tax rate – reduction Royal Decrees Nos. 530, 555, 564

## Listed and non-listed companies

Accounting period	CIT rate
For accounting periods beginning between 1 January 2013 and 31 December 2014 (i.e. for two accounting periods)	20%

## Small and medium enterprise (SME)

Net profit (THB)	CIT rate	
	Accounting periods beginning on or after1 January 2013	
0 - 300,000	Nil	
<b>300,001</b> - 1,000,000	15%	
Over 1,000,000	20%	

#### **Conditions:**

- 1. Paid-up capital on the last day of any accounting period  $\leq$  THB 5 million, **and**
- 2. Annual income from sale of goods and services ≤ THB 30 million.

#### Tax measures for SMEs

- 1. CIT exemption on sale of machinery that is replaced
- 2. Additional deduction of 50% of difference in wages paid
- 3. Alternative depreciation for machinery acquired

#### **Conditions of SMEs**

- Paid-up capital on the last day of any accounting period ≤ THB 5 million, and
- Annual income from sales of goods and services ≤ THB 30 million.

## 1. CIT exemption on sale of machinery that is replaced

## Benefits:

Income from sale of old machinery used in manufacturing goods



#### **Conditions:**

- Sale of old machine between 1 Jan 31 Dec 13
- NBV of the old machine = not deductible for tax
- Old machines are not entitled to any tax privileges under BOI, energy savings scheme, etc.
- Purchase of new machine, not more than one year before or after the sale of old machine
- New machine is brand new, same category as old machine and has more production efficiency

### 2. Additional deduction of 50% of difference in wages paid

Wages not exceeding THB 300 per day paid from 1 January 2013

#### **Minus**

Minimum wage rate per
Notification or previous
minimum wage rate, whichever
is higher



## Benefits:

• Additional deduction of 50% of the difference in wages paid

#### **Entitlements:**

• Wages paid to employees not less than THB 300 per day between 1 January and 31 December 2013

## 3. Alternative depreciation for machinery acquired

### Benefits:

- 100% (1 year); or
- 20% (5 years)

#### **Conditions:**

- Machinery is acquired for manufacture owned products or for the provision of manufacturing services
- Machinery must be new and ready for use between 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2013.

**Not applicable** to machinery acquired with tax privileges granted under other laws, e.g. investment promotion (BOI), energy saving, etc.

# Value added tax (VAT)



## 1. Additional information required on VAT documents Director General Notification on VAT Nos. 194-197

### Tax invoices, debit notes, credit notes

Seller Information	Purchaser Information
• "Head office" in the case where seller sells goods or provides services from its head office**	• Tax ID number*
	• "Head office" in the case where the address of the head office** is specified
• "Branch No" in the case where seller sells goods or provides services from a branch**	• "Branch No" in the case where the address of a branch** is specified

<sup>\*</sup> Applicable only to a purchaser who is liable to income tax or who is a payer of income with the duty to withhold tax

<sup>\*\*</sup> As per VAT registration certificate

## 1. Additional information required on VAT documents Director General Notification on VAT Nos. 194-197

### **Output and input VAT reports**

Seller: Output Report	Purchaser: Input Report
• Tax ID number of <b>purchaser</b>	• Tax ID number of seller
• "Head office" or "Branch No" of <b>purchaser</b> , as mentioned in tax invoices, debit notes or credit notes	• "Head office" or "Branch No" of <b>seller</b> , as mentioned in tax invoices, debit notes or credit notes

# 1. Additional information required on VAT documents Director General Notification on VAT Nos. 194-197

### **Effective dates**

- For tax invoices: that are issued from 1 January 2014 onwards
- For VAT debit notes and credit notes: that refer to tax invoices issued from 1 January 2014
- For output and input VAT reports: follow the above tax invoices, debit notes and credit notes

# Withholding tax (WHT)



# 1. Lease of ships used in international transportation Royal Decree No 560

#### Entitlement:

 Reduced rate of 1% WHT on payments for lease of ships used in international transportation to non-resident companies

#### Condition:

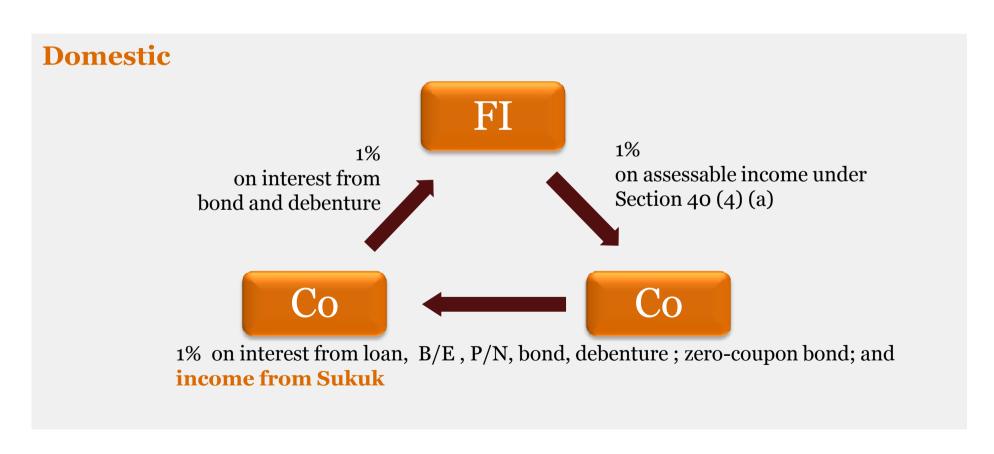
 Lease of vessels is allowed according to the law governing marine commercial promotion

#### Effective date:

For lease payments made between 30 March and 31 December
 2013

# 2. Income from Sukuk The Departmental Regulation No Taw Paw 205/2556

WHT on assessable income under Section 40 (4)(a) of the Revenue Code



# Others



# 1. Double deduction for donations to educational institutions Royal Decree No 558

	Corporate	Individuals
Benefits	• Double deduction	Double deduction
	• This donation + donations for educational support projects and similar under other Royal Decrees must not exceed 10% of net profit before donations under Section 65 ter (3)	• This donation + donations for educational support projects under other Royal Decrees must not exceed 10% of net income
	<ul> <li>No PIT, CIT, VAT, SBT or SD imposed on proceeds from transfer of property or executing instruments. But, donor cannot deduct the cost of the property as deductible expenses for income tax purposes</li> </ul>	

Remark: If exercised the right under this RD, must not exercise the right under RD No 420

# 1. Double deduction for donations to educational institutions Royal Decree No 558

	Corporate	Individuals
Form of donation	• Cash or assets	• Cash only
Effective period	• 1 Jan 2013 – 31 Dec 2015	1 Jan 2013 – 31 Dec 2015

"Educational institution" means an educational institution of the State, a private school (excluding non-formal school) and a private university.

# 2. Double deduction for donations to sports organizations Royal Decree No 559

	Corporate	Individuals
Benefits	• Double deduction	• Double deduction
	• This donation + donations for educational support projects and similar under other Royal Decrees must not exceed 10% of net profit before donations under Section 65 ter (3)	<ul> <li>This donation + donations for educational support projects under other Royal Decrees must not exceed 10% of net income</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>No PIT, CIT, VAT, SBT or SD imposed on proceeds from transfer of property or executing instruments. But, donor cannot deduct the cost of the property as deductible expenses for income tax purposes</li> </ul>	

# 2. Double deduction for donations to sports organizations Royal Decree No 559

	Corporate	Individuals
Form of donation	• Cash or assets	• Cash only
Effective period	• 1 Jan 2013 – 31 Dec 2015	1 Jan 2013 – 31 Dec 2015

Any amount remaining after having utilized the double deduction allowed under RD 559 may be deducted under RD 428.

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