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- Director, Provincial Electricity Authority (PEA)
- Chairman, Thai Listed Companies Association (TLCA), The Stock Exchange of Thailand
- Vice Chairman, The Thai Chamber of Commerce
- Committee, Federation of Thai Capital Market Organizations (FETCO)
- Chairman, The working group on Immigration (Public-Private Collaboration)

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อุตสาหกรรม 4.0
INDUSTRY
4.0
The Next
Industrial Revolution



Facilitate Immigration Policy
in driving towards “Thailand 4.0”

Problems and Obstacles

1. **Visa and Work Permit** procedures are issued from **different governmental agencies**, creating **difficulties to submit documents and extend period of stay**.
2. Only **one type of Work Permit regardless of skill**, meaning it does not facilitate foreigners and cannot distinguished between skilled and unskilled labors.
3. **No special privileges offer to foreigners**, who are expertise, researcher, or high-skilled group of Young Talent to motivate them to work in the country.
4. **Inconvenience to fill in arrival/departure card** and increases the cost of government expenditure without usefulness as the information has not been used.

The comparison of Work Passes and Work Permit between Thailand, Singapore, Australia and USA

<u>Thailand</u>	Singapore	Australia	USA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separate between Visa and Work Permit • No privileges • Having only one type of work permit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separating between Visa and Work permit • Privileges • Having 5 types of work permits depending on skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Combining Visa and Work permit into Work Visa • Privileges • Having 3 types of Work Visa depending on skill 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Combining Visa and Work permit into Work Visa • Privileges • Having 3 types of Work Visa depending on skill
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BOI's Single Window for Visa & Work Permit

ยื่นคำขอ



- ไฟล์เอกสาร
1. หนังสือรับรองนิติบุคคล
 2. บัญชีรายชื่อผู้ถือหุ้น
 3. งบการเงิน
 4. หนังสือบริคณห์สนธิ



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Future Electronic

กองกำกับการ 3 กองบังคับการตรวจคนเข้าเมือง 1

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1. Visa on Arrival and Work Permit

1.1 Differentiate type of visa into 4 types based on skilled and income

Type 1. Work Visa for “Low level-skilled foreign workers”

Type 2. Work Visa for “Mid level-skilled foreign workers”

Type 3. Work Visa for “High level-skilled foreign workers”

Type 4. A Person who has been invited

“Special Privileges” will be granted to each type of Work Visa

PLAN

Short-term Plan

- Differentiated type of visas based on skill or income
- Special Privileges given to each type of Work Visa such as rights to bring family members to stay in the country, rights to own land, etc.

Long-term Plan

- Promulgate to use 4 types of “Work Visa” by the cooperation of the Immigration Bureau and the Department of Employment

2. Ease of Doing Business

2.1 “One Stop Service” will expand its scope of works to serve foreign labors who hold visas type 3 and type 4. With the cooperation of the Immigration Bureau and Department of Employment, this will facilitate document process for foreigners. Moreover, service fees can charge for companies that do not have Investment Supplementary Card from BOI.

PLAN

Short-term Plan

- Request for approval of budget to **develop electronic system and to support the service**
- **At first, only implemented plan in 5 large provinces;** Bangkok, Samutprakarn, Phuket, Songkla, and Chiangmai

Long-term Plan

- Establish **One Stop Service** in the needed provinces
- Encourage setting up committee that can operate One Stop Service, which can charge customers a service fess to prevent human

2. Ease of Doing Business

2.2 Increase Electronic Channel at Immigration Control System

2.2.1 Residential address should be made in case of foreigners live in Thailand more than 90 days

2.2.2 Re-entry permit or Multiple entry visa

PLAN

Short-term Plan

- Request for budget to **develop and improve** electronic system for foreigners to report their residential address and to make the system more stable
- **Improve electronic system for Re-entry permit or Multiple entry visa**

Long-term Plan

- Revise the Immigration Act B.E. 2552 Section 37 (5) which said that “ If the alien stays in the Kingdom longer than ninety days, such alien must notify the competent official at the Immigration Division , in writing , concerning his place of stay...”

2.Ease of Doing Business

2.3 To abolish the “TM.6” for Thai people in the first stage and consider the importance for foreigner later on.

PLAN

Short-term Plan

- Abolish the “TM.6” for Thai people

Long-term Plan

- Revise Immigration Act, B.E. 2522 Section 18

which said that “the competent official shall have power to inspect persons entering into or leaving the Kingdom”.

- Study further about how to implement electronic system to facilitate foreigners instead of using TM.6

2.Ease of Doing Business

2.4 Increasing special channel service in the immigration for foreigners who hold Work Permit or Permanent Resident

PLAN

SHORT TERM

- **Increasing special channel service at the immigration** for foreigners who are allowed to works as follows;

1. Foreigners who have Permanent Resident in Thailand
2. Foreigners who received support from BOI
3. Foreigners who hold Work Permit type 3 and type 4 can use Thai Residence channel or special channel at the immigration checkpoint. This will present good image of Thailand to attract foreign investment.

2. Ease of Doing Business

2.5 Facilitate companies required WP 10, including increases e-Channel Service for foreigners

Working Plan

Short-term plan

- **Publicized the announcement** from the Department of Employment regarding the activities that are not regarded as working according to the Working of Alien Act, B.E. 2551 (2008)
- According to the s.5 of the Foreign Employment Act 2008, the definition of “work” should be clear.

Long-term plan

- Study further about working through electronic system

Activities that are not regarded as “Work”

1. Attending conferences, meetings and seminars
2. Attending exhibitions or trade fairs
3. Attending business meetings or visits
4. Attending academic and/or special lectures
5. Attending technical seminars and/or trainings
6. Purchasing products at trade fairs
7. Attending a committee meeting in their own company

Urgent Proposal

- **Establishment of the “Public-Private Ad-Hoc Committee”** in order to amend concerned laws to attract experts, researchers and skilled labors from abroad.

Composition of “Particular joint public-private sector working team”

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| 1) Representative of Ministry of Interior | Chairman |
| 2) Representative of Ministry of Labour | Vice Chairman |
| 3) Representative of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Thailand | Vice Chairman |
| 4) Representative of Immigration Bureau | Vice Chairman |
| 5) Representative of Board of Trade of Thailand | Vice Chairman |
| 6) Representative of Ministry of Science and Technology | Working Group |
| 7) Representative of Ministry of Industry Thailand | Working Group |
| 8) Representative of The Board of Investment of Thailand | Working Group |
| 9) Representative of The Federation of Thai Industries | Working Group |
| 10) Representative of Tourism Council of Thailand | Working Group |
| 11) Representative of Ministry of Interior | Secretary |
| 12) Representative of Office of the National Economics and Social Development Board | Assistant to
Secretary |

In case, Related company can attend the meeting.