



Myanmar workers holding border passes are authorized to work in Tak Special Economic Development Zone for no more than 30 days per time and/or no more than as authorized by their work licensee.

As for travels for other purposes (such as tourism, business, etc.), travelers can reside in Mae Sot District, Phop Phra District, and Mae Ramat District for 7 days (for temporary passes) and 14 days (for border cards).

Allocation of land to support investments in Tak Special Development Economic Zone - The government has prepared 2,182-3-64 rai of land at Tha Sai Luat Sub-district, Mae Sot District, around the vicinity of the second bridge across the Moei River to accommodate investment in Tak Special Economic Development Zone.



Employment of Migrant Workers for Temporary or Seasonal Work pursuant No. 64 of Thai Royal Ordinance on foreign migrants worker B.E.2560 (A.D.2017)



PEA Mae Sot has a plan/project to meet the increased household and industrial electricity demands in Tak Special Economic Development Zone from 100.3 megawatts (2017) to 225 megawatts (2024) with an investment of over 1,015 million baht.



PWA Mae Sot has a plan/project to meet household and industrial water demands in Tak Special Economic Development Zone with an increase from 35,000 cubic meters/day (2017) to 78,240 cubic meters/day (2018) with an investment value in Stage 1 at 468.4 million baht (2014 budget) and Stage 2 at 249.8 million baht (2016 budget).

Preparing Infrastructure and Public Utilities



- 1 Construction project for a second bridge with networks (Department of Highways)
- 2 First bridge at Mae Sot Border Station
- 3 Construction project for a checkpoint building for inspecting people (Royal Thai Police)
- 4 Road construction project along the Moei River, Mae Sot District, Tak Province (Department of Highways)
- 5 Construction project of a second Mae Sot Customs House (Customs Department)
- 6 Area for accommodating investments of 2182-3-64 rai (Treasury Department)
- 7 Mae Sot Airport expansion project (Department of Airports)
- 8 Project to improve Tak-Mae Sot road (Department of Highways)
- 9 Nakhon Sawan-Kamphaeng Phet-Tak-Mae Sot double-track railway project
- 10 Communication system and internet development project, Tak Special Economic Development Zone
- 11 Road construction project along the Taniharyi-Kawkareik linear bridge (Myawaddy - Kawkareik)

Tak Special Economic Development Zone Office/One Stop Service Investment Center

- Government Agencies/State Enterprises**
- Tak Provincial Commerce office.
 - Tak Provincial Industry Office.
 - Agencies under the Ministry of Labor.
 - Tak Treasury Office
 - Board of Investment (BOI)
 - Office of Small and Medium Enterprises Promotion (OSMEP)
- Product Distribution Center**
- Tak OTOP Production Center (Pracharat Rak Samakee Co., Ltd.)
 - Gems and Jewelry Center of Asia



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Tak Province is a strategically important province for the country in terms of security, economy, resources and connecting to other regions. It has high potential for being developed into a center of commerce and economy in the western region of Thailand. Therefore, the government supports the areas of Mae Sot District, Mae Ramat District, and Phop Phra District in Tak Province as a special economic development zone and a hub for exchanges of international goods and intense labor industries in order to upgrade the country's economic development.

In order to prepare for the special economic development zone and support investors seeking to invest in Tak Special Economic Development Zone, the province has set development guidelines for this area by giving priority to the happiness and quality of life of local residents in conjunction with conservation of nature, the environment and local culture in the province to ensure that Tak Province is developed in line with Thailand's vision for 2015-2020: "Security, Prosperity, Sustainability".

Tak Special Economic Development Zone Location/Area

Under Notification of the Policy Committee for Special Economic Development Zones No. 1/2558 dated 19 January 2015, a total of 14 sub-districts encompassing 886,875 rai (1,419 square kilometers) in Mae Sot District, Phop Phra District and Mae Ramat District are set as Tak Special Economic Development Zone. The details are as follows:

8 sub-districts in Mae Sot District:

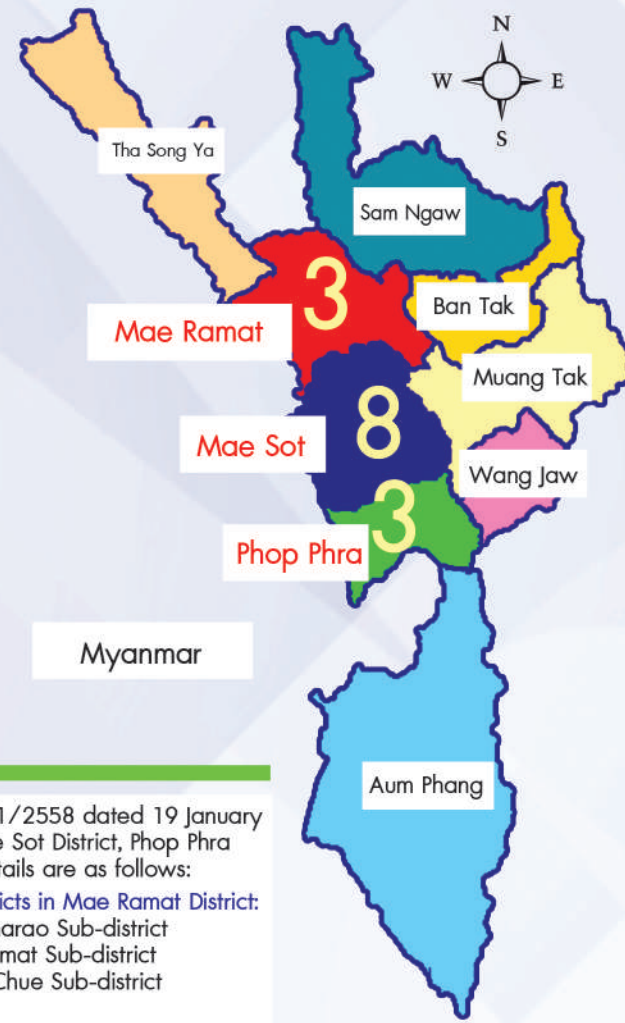
- 1) Mae Sot Sub-district
- 2) Mae Tao Sub-district
- 3) Tha Sai Luat Sub-district
- 4) Phra That Pha Daeng Sub-district
- 5) Mae Kasa Sub-district
- 6) Mae Pa Sub-district
- 7) Mae Ku Sub-district
- 8) Mahawan Sub-district

3 sub-districts in Phop Phra District:

- 1) Phop Phra Sub-district
- 2) Chong Khaep Sub-district
- 3) Wale Sub-district

3 sub-districts in Mae Ramat District:

- 1) Mae Charao Sub-district
- 2) Mae Ramat Sub-district
- 3) Khane Chue Sub-district



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Potential of Tak Special Economic Development Zone

Strengths (S)

- It is situated at the end of the East-West Economic Corridor (EWEC) and on Asian Highway 1 (AH 1), which is the road that connects Asia to Europe.
- It is a border area that allows easy access to the rich raw materials and natural resources of Myanmar.
- The border is closest to Yangon (a major commercial and production center in Myanmar) when compared to other Thai-Myanmar borders and has a steady rate of high growth.
- It allows plentiful opportunities for accessing the Myanmar workforce because there are over 50,000-70,000 Myanmar laborers duly registered under the law in Tak Province. Furthermore, the government has approved the establishment of an employment system for migrant workers to temporarily or seasonally work under Section 14 of the Working of Aliens Act, B.E. 2551 (A.D. 2008) and authorizes migrant workers to work in the kingdom with documents instead of passports pursuant to immigration laws on temporary and seasonal basis at the special economic development zone.
- The geographic characteristics of Tak Province are suitable for becoming a center of access to tourist destinations in Tak Province and Myanmar.

Opportunities (O)

- It is a Thai-Myanmar border region. Presently, the Myanmar market has greater potential with a larger market and increased purchase power; locals enjoy Thai products.
- Myanmar is located between several of the world's major markets such as China, India and Bangladesh. Thailand can use Myanmar as the gateway for distributing its products to those countries.
- The opening up of Myanmar and the good relations between the governments of Thailand and Myanmar have resulted in cooperation in planning, policies and measures for joint economic developments along border areas.

Investment Opportunities in Tak Special Economic Development Zone

Suitable Businesses for the Area

- Mae Sot District**
Suitable for becoming a hub for product exchange between countries, labor intensive industries and industrial estates
- Mae Ramat District**
Suitable for agricultural product processing industries
- Phop Phra District**
Suitable for farming, residence and eco-tourism

Promoted Businesses

- 1) Agricultural and fishing industry and related business
- 2) Ceramics
- 3) Textile, clothing and leather goods industry
- 4) Household furnishings industry
- 5) Gem and jewelry industry
- 6) Medical equipment production
- 7) Automobile, machinery and parts industry
- 8) Electrical appliances and electronics industry
9. Plastic production
- 10) Medicine production
- 11) Logistics business
- 12) Industrial estates or zones
- 13) Business in support of tourism
- 14) Plant baking and silos
- 15) Production of agricultural products derived from byproducts and scraps
- 16) Steel structure production for construction and industrial work
- 17) General printed material production business
- 18) Animal feed production business
- 19) Construction material and prestressed concrete production for utility works
- 20) Production business of additives to body cleansers
- 21) Plastic production business for consumer products
- 22) Production business of products from tissue or paper
- 23) Building development business for industrial factory /warehouse

Benefits at Tak Special Economic Development Zone

Investment Promotion Measures of Board of Investment (BOI)

Ordinary Business in BOI Categories of Business	Target Businesses (13 Industries)
Additional corporate income tax exemption from normal rates from 3 years to no more than 8 years	Maximum corporate income tax exemption for 8 years (amounts not exceeding 100 percent)
A1 and A2 businesses already granted 8-year corporate income tax exemptions are given additionally 50 percent corporate income tax reductions for 4 years.	Corporate income tax reduction at 50 percent by an additional 5 years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Double transportation, electricity and water supply fee reduction for 10 years • 25 percent reduction in utilities installation and construction of investment in addition to normal price depreciation deduction • Machine import tariff exemption • Raw material import tariff exemption for export manufacturing • Authorization to employ unskilled migrant workers • Other non-tax benefits such as land entitlements, use of migrant workers, etc. 	Same

Free Trade Zone Tax Benefits

1. Import tariff, value-added tax and excise tax exemptions
 - 1.1 For machinery, equipment, tools and utilities in addition to components thereof required for manufacturing and commerce along with materials used in the construction, assembly and installation in factories and buildings with tax benefits; and
 - 1.2 For items imported for goods manufacturing and commerce with benefits to taxes that occur for items not bound to ownership of entrepreneurs
 2. Export tariff, value-added tax and excise tax exemptions for raw materials and products along with byproducts and other items derived from production
 3. Tax exemption or returns for items specified by legal provisions to be given tax exemption or returns upon export outside the kingdom even if export outside the kingdom does not occur but items are imported into free trade zones for machinery, equipment and raw materials instead
 4. Items imported into free trade zones are given the same benefits as duty-free zones.
 5. Items or materials imported into the country and then imported into the free trade zone for production, mixing, assembly, packaging or other actions for the purpose of export are exempted from the enforcement of laws governing import control, export outside the kingdom, possession or utilization, standard control or control of quality of affixing of seals or other symbols for the aforementioned items but excluding customs laws. However, if the aforementioned items cause impact or potential impact on the security and health of the people or the environment, the Minister shall issue ministerial regulations designating the types or categories of such items to not be exempted from such laws.
 6. Sales of products from free trade zones into the country can deduct prices of raw materials without return rights and tax exemptions from the product price prior to tax price calculation.
- Non-tax Benefits**
1. Authorization to own land in industrial estates
 2. Authorization to employ skilled migrant workers and for them to be able to bring their spouses and dependents into live in the kingdom
 3. Authorization to send funds outside of the kingdom in foreign currencies

Benefits

Entrepreneurs in the special economic development zone will receive support from the government in the form of benefits from the Board of Investment (BOI) and the Customs Department in addition to other benefits such as rights to rent immovable properties for commerce and industry, authorization for migrant workers to travel back and forth or stay for no more than seven days with the establishment of One Stop Service Center (OSS) to facilitate investment, etc.

Benefits Received from the Customs Department for Establishing the Free Zone and Bonded Warehouse

Benefits	Free Zone	Bonded Warehouse
Tariff exemption on machinery imports	✓	✓
Tariff exemption for imported raw materials for export manufacturing	✓	✓
Tariff exemption for exports	✓	✓
Tax exemption for material disposal and destruction	✓	✓
Tax exemption for value-added tax (VAT) for imported raw materials for export manufacturing	✓	✓
Tax exemption for value-added tax (VAT) for imported-exported products.	✓	✓
No set product storage duration	✓	No more than 2 years

Measures of the Customs Department

Businesses not promoted for investment by the BOI such as businesses failing to meet the criteria for promotion by the BOI or do not meet the minimum investment size of the BOI, etc., can request benefits under the measures of the Customs Department for corporate income tax reduction from 20 percent to 10 percent for 10 accounting periods.

Other Support Measures of the Government

Migrant workers are authorized to work by traveling to and from the zone. Training is provided for Thai and migrant workers. Both skilled and unskilled legal migrant workers can be employed for work.

One Stop Service Center (OSS)

- To provide consultation on business operation.
- To provide advice on application for all and any licenses such as application for promotion.
- Investment, factory license application, social security fund registration.
- Application for license of juristic person registration
- Application for license of migrant's business operation

