Public Private Partnership

Strategic Plan (B.E. 2558 - 2562)
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The Private Investments in State Undertakings Act B.E. 2556 states the necessity of a Public Private Partnership Strategic Plan for the purpose of determining a policy framework that creates clarification for both private and public sector regarding subsectors that require private sector investment and subsectors that government encourages participation and investment from the private sector within the 5 year duration of the Strategic Plan. Furthermore, the Public Private Partnership Strategic Plan generates interests helping to attract private investment in subsectors of the state.

The Public Private Partnership Strategic Plan (2558 – 2562) that has been approved by the Public Private Partnership Committee on 25 May B.E. 2558 (2015) includes the following contents.

Type of subsectors that are suitable for public private partnership

**Group 1:** Subsectors that require private sector investment (Opt-out) consists of 6 subsectors as follows:

1.1 Development of Urban Rail Transit System for the Population
1.2 Development of Toll Roads in Major Metropolitan Urban Areas
1.3 Development of Port Logistics
1.4 Development of High Speed Rail
1.5 Development of Telecommunication Network and Assets
1.6 Development of High Speed Internet

**Group 2:** Subsectors that government encourages participation and investment from private sector (Opt-in) consists of 14 subsectors as follows:

2.1 Development of Toll Roads between Major Metropolitan Urban Areas
2.2 Development of Packaging Stations
2.3 Development of a Common Ticketing System
2.4 Development and Management of Airport Ground
2.5 Development of Water Quality Management
2.6 Development of Irrigation System

**Remark:** Reference to Thai legislation in any jurisdiction shall be made to the Thai version only. This translation has been made so as to establish correct understanding about this Act to foreigners.
2.7 Management of Solid Waste
2.8 Development of State Education Institutions
2.9 Development of Hospitals and Public Health Services
2.10 Development of Pharmaceutical Medicine and Equipment
2.11 Development of Infrastructure for Science, Technology and Innovation
2.12 Development related to Digital Economy
2.13 Development of Convention Centers
2.14 Development of Shelters for those with Low Income, the Elderly, the Handicapped, and the Disadvantaged

Objectives of public private partnership and estimated timeline

Within the 5 years duration of the Public Private Partnership Strategic Plan (B.E. 2558 – 2562), the government aims to carry out projects within the 6 subsectors in Group 1 which requires participation and investment from the private sector. As for projects within the 14 subsectors in group 2, the government encourages participation and investment from the private sector. Allowing the private sector to participate and jointly invest in these projects will not only help reduce financial restrictions based on the government budget and decrease the need for government loans, but private sector inclusion will also help improve the efficiency of providing such services to citizens.

Estimated investment cost from B.E. 2558 – 2562

The estimated investment cost of projects in subsectors included in the Public Private Partnership Strategic Plan (B.E. 2558 – 2562) is 1.417 billion baht.

The investment amount from the public sector in each fiscal year depends on the type of private investment for each project and has to be in accordance with the annual budget.
Connectivity and dependency among subsectors in
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When implementing public private partnership projects, the ministries responsible for the projects must be conscious of and take into account the connectivity and dependency among the subsectors. Connectivity among subsectors should be considered in order to avoid redundant investment, allow for better planning, ensure more effective management of project development and increase the efficiency of projects.

There are 3 types of connectivity and dependency among subsectors included in the Public Private Partnership Strategic Plan as follows:

1. **Connectivity and dependency between projects within the same subsector**

   For example, when implementing projects in the same subsector such as projects within the subsector Development of Urban Rail Transit System for the Population, ministries should take into consideration connectivity and dependency that may exist between these projects. The construction and expansion of different rail transit modes should be considered together as there are opportunities for synergies in the form of linking the stations of these different transportations.

2. **Connectivity and dependency between projects within subsectors under the same higher level sector**

   For example, implementation of projects within subsectors under the same sector group such as projects within the Transportation sector should be conjointly taken into consideration to avoid redundant investments and because there are potential for synergies in the form of multimodal linkages. Construction and expansion of projects in the subsector Development of Port Logistics should also take into account projects in the subsector Development of Packaging Stations, Development of Toll Roads between Major Metropolitan Urban Areas and Development of High Speed Rail to improve ease of transportation via creating 'last mile' connectivity between ports, rails and roads.
3. **Connectivity and dependency between projects within subsectors under different higher level sectors**

For example, dependencies exist between projects within subsectors under the Education sector and projects within subsectors under the Communication sector. When constructing or expanding projects within the subsector Development of State Education Institutions projects within the subsector Development of High Speed Internet should also be taken into consideration. Access to high speed internet should be taken into account when constructing and expanding educational institutions as there may be positive impact to be gained in the form of increased innovativeness of these institutions.

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