

# SEZ

## Border SEZ Development Policy

Vision

Emerging economic gateway connecting neighboring countries and better people's quality of life

Goal

Promote concrete & balance development for emerging border economic areas, improve quality of life and solve security problems

Obj.

1. Prosperity contribution & quality of life improvement
2. Sustainable area growth
3. Competitive enhancement



### Decision-Making Mechanism

Cabinet



The National Committee on Special Economic Zone Development (NC-SEZ)



### Risk

- People's acceptance
- Budget allocation
- Environment and Natural Resources
- Security
- Human trafficking and illegal migrant workers
- Collaboration with neighboring countries



### Principle

- ✓ Implement projects under inclusive approach
- ✓ Role of Government (granting incentives/provide necessary infrastructure/facilitate investment), Private sector (investment) people (participate & gain benefits)
- ✓ SEZ development must not have negative impacts on environment, natural resources, society, security, and relationship with neighboring countries
- ✓ Being flexible & adjustable according to circumstances
- ✓ SEZ areas are designated by administrative boundary



### Operational Guideline



Encourage and facilitate investment in SEZ



Promote economic activities in accordance with each area's potential



Provide economic & social infrastructure : transportation, border- crossing, electricity, water, safety, public health, labor, and environment



Enhance participation of people & other development partners



Strengthen efficiency of community enterprise and private sector in SEZ



Manage natural resources and environment in SEZ



### Operational Plan

#### Work Plan

- Incentives
- Infrastructure and customs checkpoints
- Labor management
- Improvement of health services for border residents, including health insurance for migrant labor
- Government land for rent in industrial or service activities
- Security
- Natural resources and environmental management

#### Budget Plan

- Integrated Budget Plan  
2015: 2,165 Mb.  
2016: 6,959 Mb.  
2017: Requested integrated budget of 4,230 Mb.
- Infrastructure and Customs Checkpoints Budget Plan

#### HR Plan

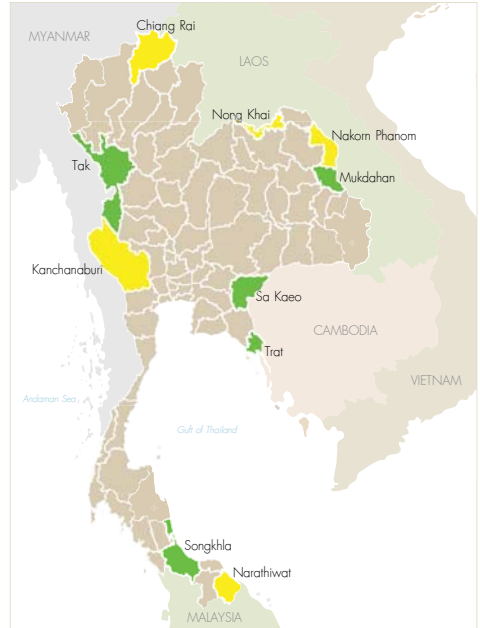
Responsible agencies working under 6 sub-committees of the NC-SEZ

# Thailand's Special Economic Zones

In 2015, Thailand commenced the establishment of special economic zones (SEZs) in 10 provinces.

- The first phase SEZs are located in 5 provinces, namely Tak, Mukdahan, Sa Kaeo, Trat, and Songkhla.
- The second phase SEZs are located in 5 provinces, namely Nong Khai, Narathiwat, Chiang Rai, Nakhon Phanom, and Kanchanaburi.

Special Economic Zones	Area	
	sq.kms.	Rai
Total 10 SEZ area	6,220.05	3,886,481.58
Tak	1,419.00	886,875.00
Mukdahan	578.50	361,542.50
Sa Kaeo	332.00	207,500.00
Trat	50.20	31,375.00
Songkhla	552.30	345,187.50
Nong Khai	473.67	296,042.00
Narathiwat	235.17	146,995.62
Chiang Rai	1,523.63	952,226.46
Nakhon Phanom	794.79	495,743.75
Kanchanaburi	260.79	162,993.75



## Objectives

To build production bases connecting with those of ASEAN countries, and to promote the economic development of the provinces of Thailand along its border areas.

## Strategies

- To establish new economic zones, particularly in border areas, through the utilization of the connectivity with Thailand's neighboring countries.
- To develop infrastructures, to provide investment incentives, and to set up one stop service centers.
- To encourage SMEs' investment in the SEZs, and Thai investment in the neighboring countries in activities related with activities in the SEZs.
- To systematize cross-border economic activities including the management of foreign workers from the neighboring countries and other necessary issues.

A Special Economic Zone is an area designated by the National Committee on Special Economic Zone Development (NC-SEZ)<sup>1</sup> which the Thai government will provide necessary infrastructures, investment incentives, cross-border management of daily foreign workers, one stop service centers, and other necessary activities.

<sup>1</sup>the National Committee on Special Economic Zone Development (NC-SEZ) is comprised the Prime Minister of Thailand as the chairperson, the Chiefs of relevant government organizations as committee members, and Office of the National Economic and Social Development Board as secretariat.



- District
- - - - District Border
- - - - Sub-District Border
- Road
- Special Economic Development Zone
- New Road Connecting 2
- Four-Lane Road Expansion Project, Highway No.12 (Mae Sot-Tak)
- New Rural Road Project
- Rural Road Expansion Project
- River
- ✈ Commercial Airport
- 🛂 Customs / Permanent Immigration Checkpoint

# 1. Tak Special Economic Zone

The Tak SEZ with total area of 1,419 sq.kms. (886,875 rai) covers 14 sub-districts along the border area of Mae Sot, Phop Phra, and Mae Ramat districts

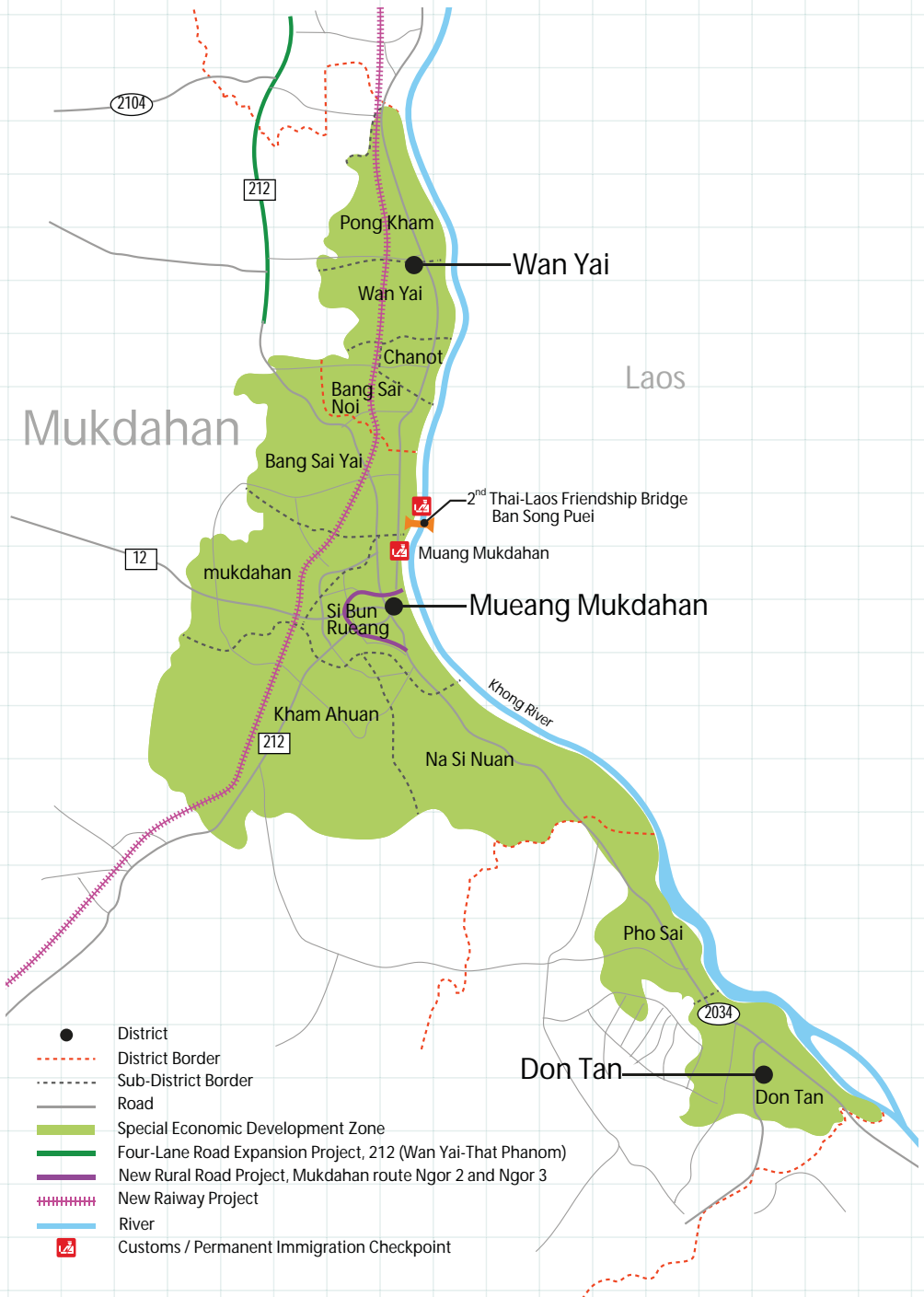
- 426 kms. from Bangkok via Asian Highway No. 1 and Asian Highway No. 32
- Mae Sot permanent crossing point ranked first in terms of border trade value between Thailand and Myanmar (excluding import value of natural gas through Sangkhla Buri).
- **Transport**
  - Availability of a commercial airport.
  - Road connecting with Myanmar through the 1<sup>st</sup> Thai-Myanmar friendship bridge and highway no.85 in Myanmar
- 17.35 kms. from Myawaddy Industrial Zone in Myanmar.
- 560 kms. from Yangon, the economic center of Myanmar, linking onwards to India and Southern China.
- The 2nd Thai-Myanmar friendship bridge across Moei/Thaungyin River and a new crossing point are under construction.

## Intermodal Facility and Labor-Intensive Industry

### Target Activities

- Agricultural, fishery and related industries
- Ceramic products
- Textile, garment, and leather industries
- Manufacture of Furniture
- Gems and jewelry
- Medical equipment
- Automotive, machinery, and parts
- Electrical appliances and electronics
- Plastic
- Medicine
- Logistics
- Industrial estates/zones
- Tourism related industry





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- New Rural Road Project, Mukdahan route Ngor 2 and Ngor 3
- +++++ New Railway Project
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