

## ARKHOM TERMPITTAYAPAISITH MINISTER OF TRANSPORT

Arkhom Termpittayapaisith, has joined NESDB since 1979 which is considered to be the key agency on planning and formulation of development strategies in Thailand. Throughout his years in NESDB, Arkhom has held series of directorship and taken a lead role in many infrastructure development projects and formulation of vital development strategies which proven to be crucial for the nation to achieve what we call sustainable and green development.

As top executive of NESDB, Arkhom has taken philosophy of sufficiency economy by heart and use it as a foundation in every development strategy in light of shaping the nation toward more balance development. His economic expertise's extend from specific microeconomic development strategies especially in manufacturing sectors and area based planning to macroeconomic development strategies which involve forecasting economic situation and provide precise policy recommendation to the government in a timely fashion to better fostering nation's economic growth. Furthermore, the current position as Secretary General of NESDB has further extended his expertise in the social and environmental development which evidently enhances national development strategies.

With acknowledgement of his wide range of expertise, he was appointed a member of Bank of Thailand Committee and Chairman of the Bank of Thailand's Risk Management Committee. Also in his capacity, Arkhom is presently members of several national committees such as Bank of Thailand, Monetary Policy Committee, Board of Investment, National Science and Technology Development Board, National Science Technology and Innovation Policy Board, National Environment Board, Civil Service Commission, and Royal Police Cadet Academy's Council.

Moreover, Arkhom also played vital roles as board of directors in many nation's lead state-own-enterprises until August 2014 prior to the appointment as Deputy Minister of Transport. These included PTT Public Company Limited, Airports of Thailand Public Company Limited, and Thai Smile Airways Company Limited. His roles also extend toward the international community through his extensive involvement in neighboring countries development cooperation especially in lead role of formulating connectivity strategy master plan in GMS which later lead to the Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity.

## **Personal Information:**

Born on 25 September 1956. Bachelor degree in Economics from Thammasat University, Thailand; Master degree in Development Economics from Williams College, United States; Honorary Doctorate in Arts from Sisaket Rajabhat University, Thailand; 1979 joined NESDB as Industrial Planner; 2000 Senior Adviser in Policy and Plan, NESDB; 2004 Deputy Secretary-General, NESDB; 2010 Secretary General, NESDB. In July 2014, Arkhom was appointed to be a member of the National Legislative Assembly (NLA). Later he resigned from NLA and has been appointed to be Deputy Minister of Transport from 30 August 2014 - 19 August 2015 and has been appointed to be Minister of Transport since 19 August 2015

## **Key Positions**

2010-2015	Secretary-General, National Economic and Social Development Board (NESDB)
2014	Member of the National Legislative Assembly (31 July-29 August 2014)
2014-2015	Deputy Minister of Transport (30 August 2014 – 19 August 2015)
2015-Present	Minister of Transport (since 19 August 2015)