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Hon. Arkhom Termpittayapaisith,

Minister of Finance,

Thailand



Arkhom Termpittayapaisith is Thailand's Minister of Finance since 2020. He joined the [Office of the National Economic and Social Development Board](#) (NESDB) in 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 key infrastructure development projects and formulation of vital development strategies. As top executive of NESDB (2010-15), Arkhom has long followed the philosophy of sufficiency economy and applied it as basis for development strategies to steer the nation toward more balanced development.

Arkhom also played vital roles at the board of directors in many nation's lead state-owned enterprises until 2014, when he was appointed Deputy Minister of Transport. He had extensive involvement in neighbouring countries development cooperation especially in cross-border infrastructure projects to connect all the Greater Mekong Subregional Economic Cooperation (GMS) countries, which later lead to the Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity. In his capacity as Minister of Transport (2015-19), he was able to change the future of transport infrastructure by completing key projects, including the mass transit system in Bangkok.



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