

Enforcement of some PDPA provisions postponed to 1 June 2022

The following report may be of interest to:

All clients

Summary:

Royal Decree on Organisations and Businesses Not Subject to the Personal Data Protection Act BE 2562 (2019) (PDPA) (No.2) BE 2564 (2021) was announced in the Royal Gazette on 8 May 2021 to take effect from 27 May 2020 to 31 May 2022. The purpose of this issue is to extend the period of exemption for some provisions under the PDPA for another year, until 1 June 2022, due to the expansive and severe impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on a wide spectrum of businesses in Thailand.

This extension shouldn't be interpreted as the government relaxing its readiness to fully enforce the law. Businesses who are regarded as a 'data controller' under the law still must implement security and protection measures for personal data and other actions to comply with the Notification of the Ministry of Digital Economy and Society Prescribing Security Measure Standards for Personal Data BE 2563.

Proper long-term planning is needed to help avoid exposure to civil, criminal and administrative penalties for data controllers and criminal penalties for directors of limited companies or other persons in a role of responsibility. PwC has successfully helped many reputable organisations to prepare for these new requirements. For example, to increase PDPA knowledge and awareness, we've run internal assessments, gap analyses, trainings and seminars. If you'd like further information, our team of experts is available to tailor solutions to your needs and to help you get started with your journey towards PDPA compliance.



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