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The Operation of Bangkok International Banking Facilities (BIBF)

The Bank of Thailand (BOT) spokesperson and Assistant Governor of Information and Public Relations Group, Dr. Bandid Nijathaworn recently announced that the BIBF lending continued to decline.

At the end of May 2001, the outstanding loan was B414.9 billion, decreased by B89.8 billion or 17.8 percent compared to the same period last year. The main reason was the repayment of matured debt. The decrease of the Thai commercial banks' BIBF outstanding loan was B32.8 billion or 32.2 percent, compared to the previous year, accounting for the largest proportion of the reduction.

The Out-In and Out-Out outstanding loans stood at B374.3 billion and B40.6 billion, declined by B70.1 billion and B19.6 billion or 15.8 percent and 32.6 percent from the same period last year, respectively.

At the end of May 2001, the business sector having the largest outstanding loan with the BIBF was the Manufacturing sector with the total loan of B212.9 billion, or 51.3 percent of the total BIBF outstanding loan. This was followed by Public Utilities and Finance and Banking sectors having outstanding loans of B62.6 billion and B52.8 billion, respectively, contributed to 15.1 and 12.7 percent of the total BIBF outstanding loan.

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