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### **Tips in distinguishing genuine commemorative 100-Baht banknote on the centenary of Thai banknotes**

According to the issuance of the commemorative 100-Baht banknote to celebrate the Centenary of the issuance of Thai banknote which received widespread interests from the public during the exchange period of 9 – 13 September B.E. 2545, the Bank of Thailand would like to inform the key characteristics of the commemorative 100-Baht note as follows.

1. The note paper has to be strong, not greasy and not thin or thick from remarkably usual.
2. The watermark depicting “Iraphot” (three-headed elephant) can be observed by viewing against the light.
3. On the left part of banknote is the gray metallic color security thread vertically embedded inside the paper, which contains non-staggering translucent microletterings “100 years of Thai banknote” in Thai number and alphabets.
4. Thai words and expressions; “Thai Government”, “One Hundred Baht”, and “This banknote is the legal tender” and the number indicating its value on the lower right corner of the front side are all printed in intaglio, giving a tactile feel to finger touch. Especially, the number “100” on the lower right corner of the front side is more embossed and will turn from magenta into green when the lower edge of the note is flipped.
5. When viewing the note under ultraviolet light, invisible fibers will luminesce in blue red and yellow.

The Bank of Thailand has regularly detected and received reports of the arrests of counterfeit notes from police officers in which most counterfeit notes are of high denominations – Baht 1000, Baht 500, Baht 100. According to criminal law, those who produce or possess and use the counterfeit note shall be liable to imprisonment for a term of one year to life imprisonment or/and a fine of Baht 20,000 – 40,000. Furthermore, the acts of reproduction, adaptation, and enlargement or downscaling banknote for commercial use are infringement of the BOT's copyright according to the Copyright Act B.E. 2521.

Please be advised to inspect carefully before using every denomination of banknote. If you have any question about banknote, please contact the Note Issue Group, Bank of Thailand at 0-2283-5364 – 5 and 0-2283-5368.

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