

# BOI Policy Update

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# Special Measures for Investment Stimulation



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## 'Investment Acceleration Package'

### Objectives:

To accelerate investment to stimulate economic growth

### Incentives:

#### Basic Incentives

**5** or **8** yrs  
**100%** CIT Exemption



**5** yrs  
**50%** CIT Reduction

### Criteria:

- **Must be eligible activities in A1, A2 and A3**, except for activities that do not have permanent location, e.g. air transport services and maritime transport services etc.
- **Minimum actual investment** (excluding cost of land and working capital) required
  - **500 million baht** (6 February - 30 December 2020) or
  - **1 billion baht** (6 February 2020 - 30 December 2021)
- **Applicable to investment projects in any province**

Effective for application submitted between **2 Jan 2019 - 30 Dec 2020**

# EEC

New Incentive Packages  
In **Eastern Economic Corridor (EEC)**



# New Incentive Packages in Eastern Economic Corridor (EEC)



## Targeted Locations:

Investment projects must be located in  
**Chachoengsao, Chonburi or Rayong**



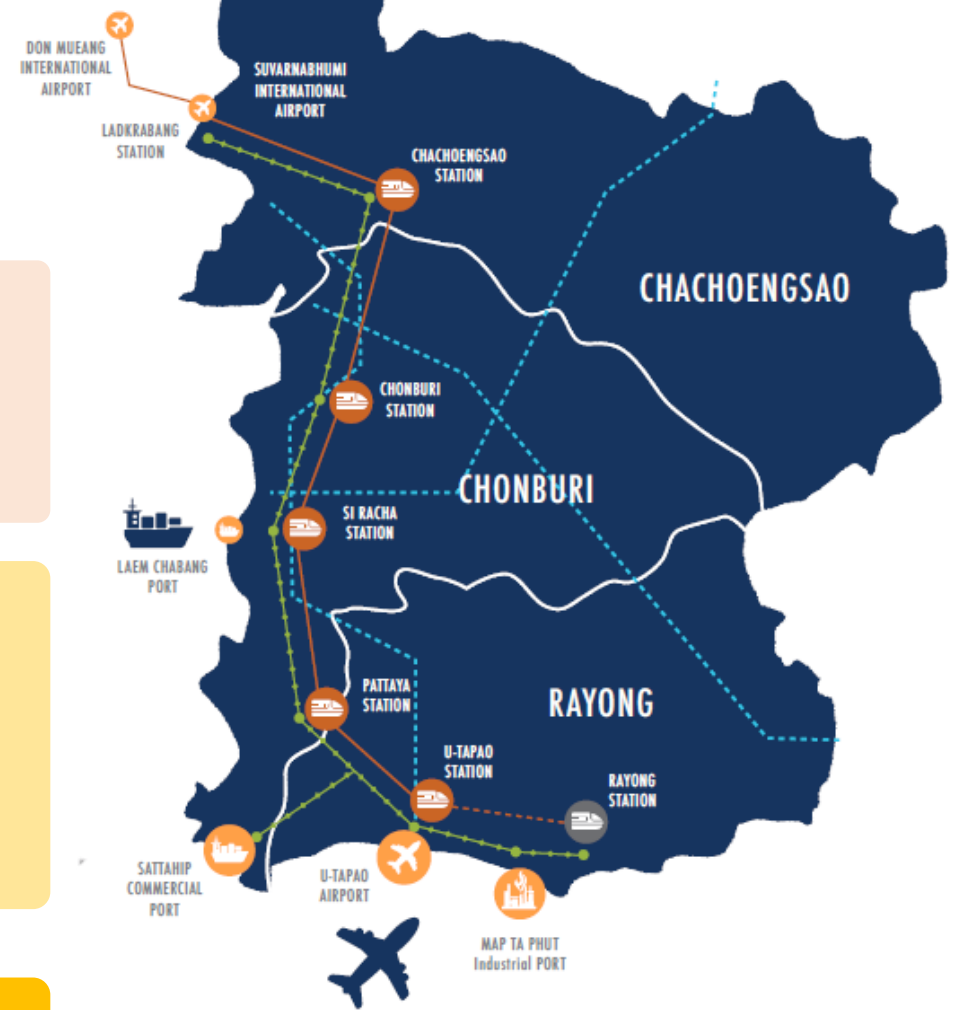
## Targeted Activities:

- Activities eligible for at least **5 year** tax holidays, **except for** activities that do not have any definite location



## Application deadline:

- by **30 December 2021** for projects located in EEC but outside EECi, EECd, EECa or EEDmd
- No application deadline for projects located in EECi, EECd, EECa or EEDmd.



# New Tax Incentives Scheme under New EEC Packages

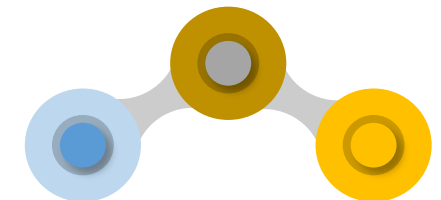
Applicants can apply for incentives under one or both criteria

Targeted Activities (Basic Incentive)	1 HRD Criteria *	2 Location Criteria	
	All EEC Areas	EECi / EECa EECd / EECmd	Industrial Estates or BOI Promoted Industrial Parks
A1 / A2 CIT Exemption 8 years	+ Reduction of CIT 50% for 3 years	+ Reduction of CIT 50% for 2 years	-
A3 CIT Exemption 5 years	+ Reduction of CIT 50% for 3 years	+ Reduction of CIT 50% for 2 years	+ Exemption of CIT for 1 year
Section 8 CIT Exemption 10 years	+ Exemption of CIT for 2 years	+ Exemption of CIT for 1 year	+ Exemption of CIT for 1 year

## \* For Human Resource Development Criteria

- Must establish a cooperation with institutions or organizations to develop human resources in Science & Technology
- The training participants must not be less than 10% of the total number of employees or more than or equal to 40 participants.

Work Integrated learning (WIL)



Dual Vocational Training (DVT)

Co-operative Education (CoE)

\*Section 8: Targeted core technology development such as development of biotechnology, nanotechnology, advanced materials technology and digital technology and Activities supported targeted technology

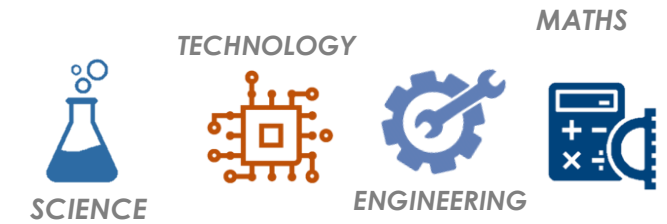
# STEM

**Manpower** Development



# Investment Tax Incentive for STEM Manpower Development

Types of eligible investments/expenditures	Additional Cap (% investment capital /expenditure incurred)
<b>A. Work- Integrated Learning (Wil)</b> Work-Integrated Learning Program for Science and Technology	<h2>100%</h2>
<b>B. Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation (MHESI)</b> Accredited training program from the MHESI including in-house training	<h2>200%</h2>



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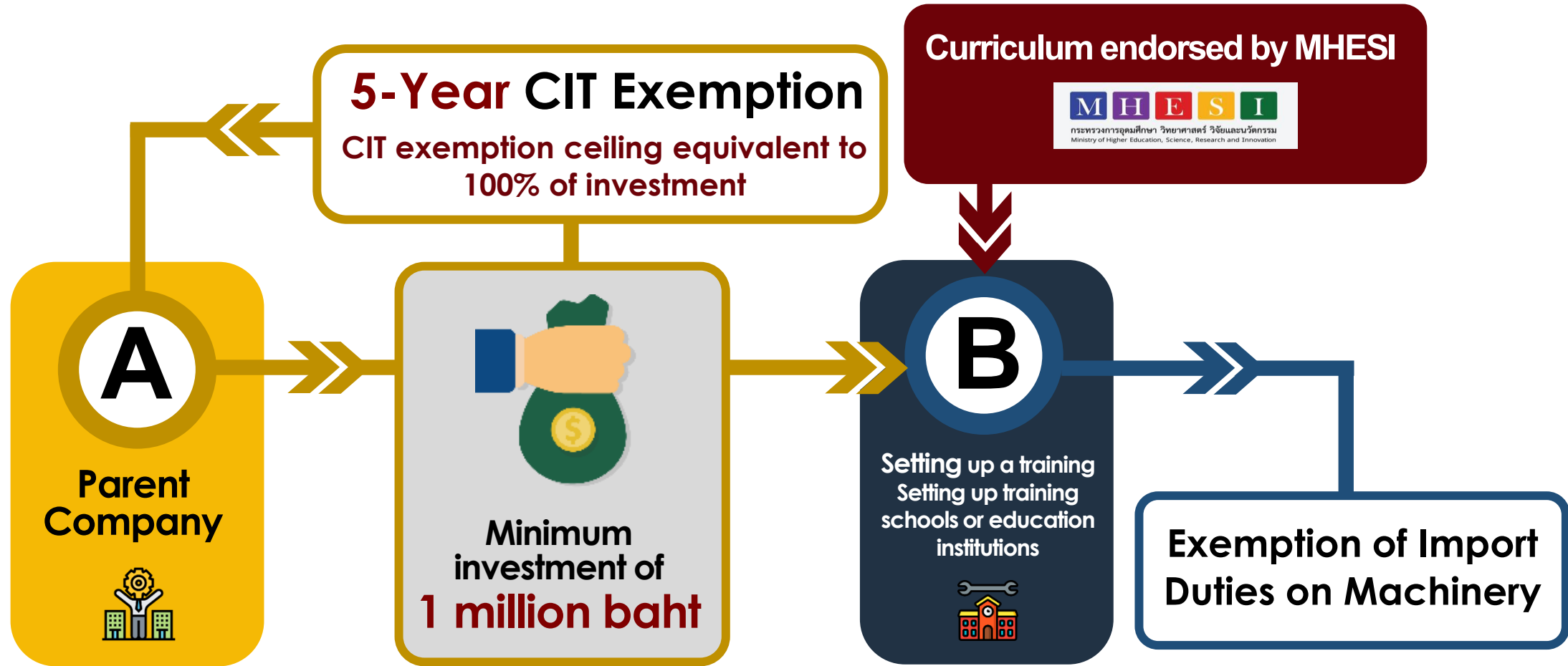
Criteria:

Application must be submitted **before 30 December 2021**





# BOI Incentives for HRD Infrastructure by Industry

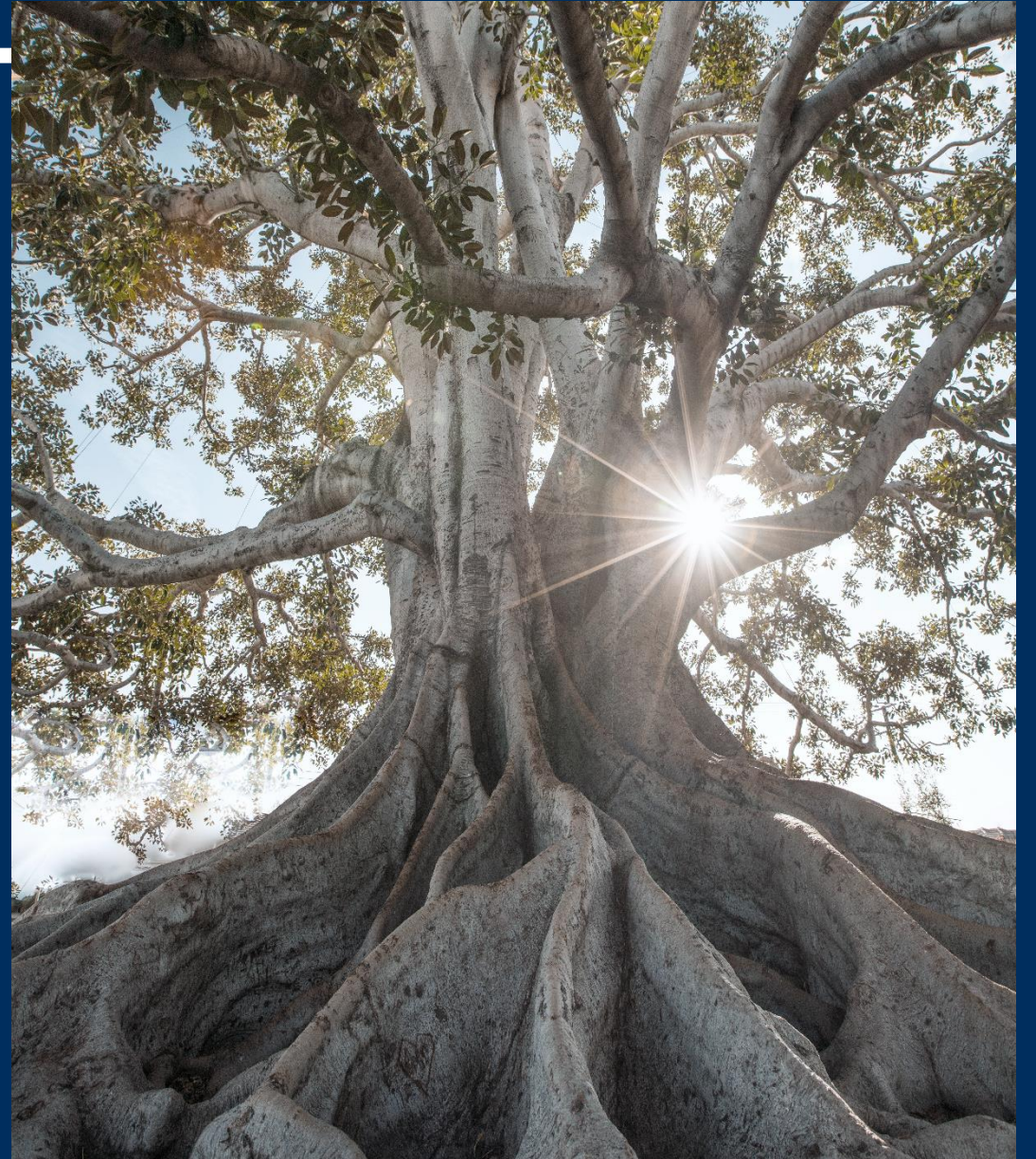


- Engaged in activities eligible for BOI promotion
- Never been granted corporate income tax (CIT) benefits or expired CIT benefits

Application submission deadline: **30 December 2021**

# Special Measures

to support **Grassroots Economy**  
**Development**



# Improvement of Investment Promotion Measures for Grassroots Economy

Effective for applications submitted from 2 January 2019 to 30 December 2021

## CASE 1

- BOI-promoted projects which have exhausted CIT benefits or have never received CIT benefits
- Non-BOI companies engaged in BOI-eligible activities

CIT exemption with cap equivalent to **120%** for **3 years** of expenses related to the support

## CASE 2

New investment applications or approved projects that still enjoy CIT exemption

Increase CIT exemption ceiling to **120%** of expenses related to the support

**- A -**  
Supporters or Joint Operators



## CASE 1

Value of support  
**>1 MB/application and  
> 200,000 baht/recipient**

- ◆ Financial support for;
  - Machinery and Equipment
  - Training Costs
- ◆ Cooperation with local organizations

## CASE 2

Value of support  
**> 200,000 baht/recipient**

Community enterprises/ Cooperatives registered with relevant government agencies/ Local administrative authorities engaged in



Agriculture and agricultural products



Light industry



Community-based tourism

**- B -**  
Support Recipients



Projects approved under this measure are also entitled to incentives under other measures.

# BOI-BAAC Grassroots Development Project



BAAC to select 500 cooperatives/ community enterprises having strong development potentials



Co-operatives/Community enterprises



NSTDA



Identification of needs/requirements i.e.

- Technology/machinery/equipment
- Product/production standards
- Marketing channels

**Support:**

- Machinery/Equipment/Software
- Building
- Certification/standard
- Training

**Supporting Companies**



BOI Incentives under Grassroots Development Scheme

# SMART VISA Status:

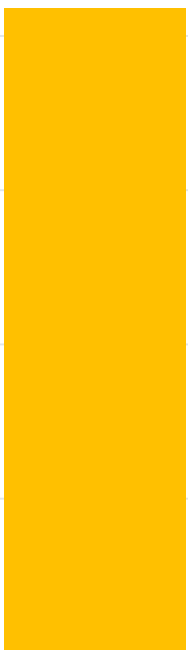
Qualification Endorsement for **SMART Visa** Statistics from **1 February 2018 – 31 January 2020**

**274**  
persons



Apply

**209**  
persons



Approve

## TOP 5 Nationalities receiving SMART Visa



24 persons



22 persons



19 persons



19 persons



17 persons

## Smart Visa Approval (by visa type) Smart Visa Approval (by industry)



Smart "S" 78 persons (53.4%)

- 1. Have plan to establish company 58 persons
- 2. Already establish company 20 persons

Smart "I" 4 persons (2.7%)

Smart "E" 22 persons (15.1%)

Smart "T" 42 persons (28.8%)



Digital 105 persons (50%)

Automation & Robotics 29 persons (14%)

others 75 persons (36%)

# SMART VISA (Launched February 1, 2018)

## Most popular SMART Visa Privileges Ranking



Permission to work without work permits



Exemption from 4:1 employment ratio



Maximum 4 years Visa to be collected in Thailand



90-day report becomes 1-year report

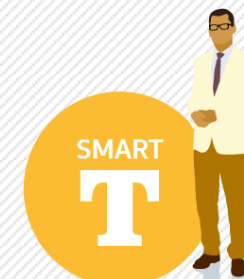


Fast Track Service at International Airports



No re-entry required

## Taking Thailand to New Heights with Foreign Talents and Technologies



Highly-Skilled Experts (Talents)



Senior Executives



Investors

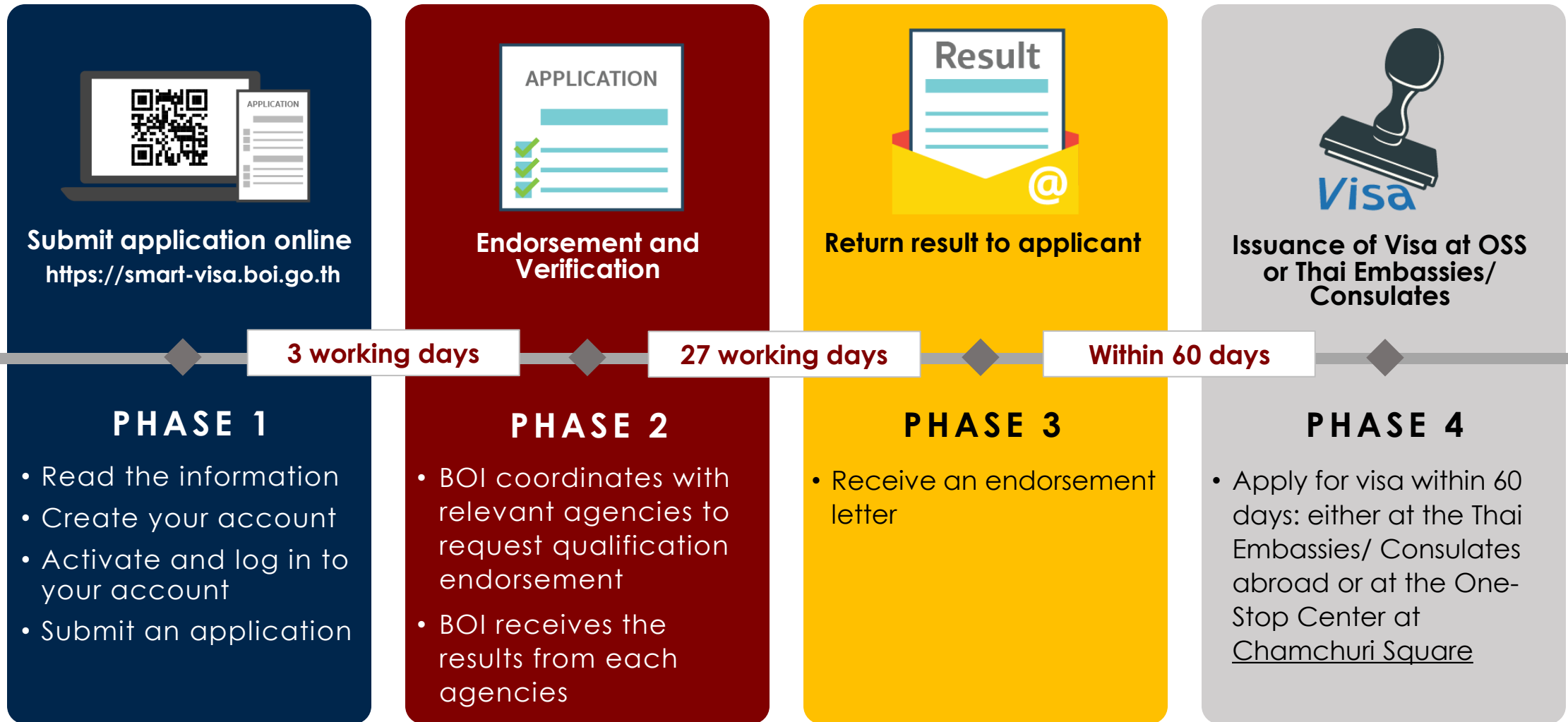


Startup Entrepreneurs



Spouse and Children of Smart Visa holders

# Application Process for **SMART Visa**



# Thank you



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