

Forefeiture of Assets

Since the promulgation of the Act on Measures for the Suppression of Offenders in an Offence Relating to Narcotics B.E. 2534 Z1991), the outcome of the implementation of the law since 1992 to December 1998 is as follows:

a) Order for Examination of Assets

There are totally 707 alleged offenders whose assets have been examined by the Order of the Property Examination Committee of the Secretary-General, NCB as the case may be.

The total value of assets which have been temporarily seized or restrained is 850.5 million Baht. There are totally 562 alleged offenders whose assets are returned by the order of the Committee.

b) Order for Confiscation of Proceeds

The public prosecutors have filed an application for confiscation of 325 defendants' assets to the Court. There are totally 24 defendants whose assets were considered by the Court to be the proceeds of drug offences which were finally confiscated. In addition, there are 8 offenders whose assets

devolved on Fund without judicial forfeiture. At present, these assets vests in the Narcotics Control Fund, a total valued at 21.8 million Baht.

Outcome of the Implementation of Assets Seizure in 1998

1. Order for examination of Assets

There are totally 288 alleged offenders whose assets are examined by the Order of the Committee of the Secretary-General. The total value of assets which is temporarily seized or restrained by the Order of the Committee or the Secretary-General as the case may be is 159.2 million Baht.

2. Major Case of Assets Examination

On October 14, 1998, police officers from Nongjok Police Station, Metropolitan Police Bureau with Metropolitan Police from special task force arrested four

men with 758,000 tablets of methamphetamine. They were charged with the offence of possession of the schedule 1 (methamphetamine) of Narcotics Act B.E. 2522 (1979) with intent to distribute and issue the arrest warrant on Mr. Surachai Nguenthongfu who is a head of syndicate. This particular subject has a long story of drug trafficker for a long time.

From the Assets examination since 1995 it is found that this subject has a property of 22 items and the estimated value is 8.5 million Baht. These properties were derived by him beyond his living status by using the power of the Properties Examination Committee according to the law, the Secretary-General of NCB has an order to seize and restrain all of his assets.



Comparative Statistics Of Assets Seized and Temporarily Restrained during 1992-1998

Year	Number of Offenders	Heroin	Meth-amphetamine	Others	Estimated Value of Assets (Million Baht)
1992	4	4	-	-	11
1993	38	28	8	2	83
1994	44	27	15	2	115.3
1995	57	19	37	1	139.3
1996	92	21	71	-	107
1997	188	20	166	2	235.7
1998	284	27	251	6	159.2
Total	707	146	548	13	850.5

