

## Topics June 2023

### Responsibilities of juristic persons and auditors in preparing and auditing financial statements.

The Revenue Department announced that according to the Revenue Code, juristic persons (Registered partnerships, limited companies, joint ventures) shall have auditors (i.e., Tax Auditor and Certified Public Accountant) to audit and certify the financial statements. However, from the inspection, it was found that in the audit report of the Tax Auditor or audit report of a Certified Public Accountant, there was Disclaimer Opinion or Qualified Opinion that "Unable to audit in accordance with the specified guidelines because the juristic person does not deliver the relevant documents used in the entry of accounts to be audited, therefore unable to give comment on such transaction." The Revenue Department would like to publicize to the juristic persons and Certified Public Accountant for acknowledgement and acted as follows: -

1. A juristic person is responsible for accounting and deliver the relevant documents used in the entry of accounts to the bookkeeper in an accurate and complete, if failure to comply is an offense under the Accounting Act B.E. 2543 (2000) and has a duty to review the accuracy of audit reports or Certified Public Accountant's reports, including checking the accuracy and completeness of the financial statements, P.N.D. 50 form, and related notification forms before signing and upon signing the said document, it is considered as approval and responsibility for the financial statements without denying the responsibility.

2. As for Certified Public Accountants who audited the accounts, if they do not receive the relevant documents for accounting entries, they must issue a letter requesting documents from a juristic person. If not requested, they shall have documents proving the limitation and other verification methods that can be used must be stated on the working paper. In addition, if the document is received from the juristic person but it is reported that the juristic person did not deliver the document, it is considered as a false report. Certified Public Accountant may have their licenses revoked.