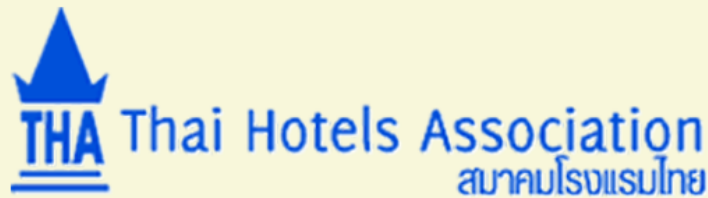


Thai Hotel Association urge Government for Subsidiary

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Dhaka: Marisa Sukosol Nunbhakdi, President of Thai Hotel Association in a meeting with the Tourism and Sports Minister, has urged upon the Government for a co-payment scheme, which would provide a 50% subsidy for employees monthly wages.

"Hoteliers have been suffering for almost a year, especially hotels in major destinations that rely mostly on international arrivals," she said.

"The recent outbreak makes the situation even more difficult over the next 3-6 months, so the measure to support is crucial".

She urges the government to start researching guidelines for vaccinated tourists to bypass the mandatory quarantine if Thailand and other countries are able to implement a complete vaccination program for their population or set up a travel plan via bilateral agreements to create a similar travel standard between countries.

In recent times, the 14 days quarantine has been the major obstacle deterring foreign tourists to visit Thailand. Tourism is a big business for Thailand which contributes 20 percent of the GDP.

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