



KBANK announced long-term deposit and lending rates increase

KASIKORNBANK announced fixed 24-month and 36-month deposit rates increase for 0.50% and lending rates increase for 0.25% effective July 4, 2005. The changes are summarized as follows:

Deposit rates

Effective date: July 4, 2005

Deposit Rate	Previous (%)	New (%)	Change (bps)
Saving	0.75	0.75	No change
Fixed 3-month	1.00	1.00	No change
Fixed 6-month	1.00	1.00	No change
Fixed 12-month	1.00	1.00	No change
Fixed 24-month	1.25	1.75	+ 50
Fixed 36-month	1.50	2.00	+ 50

Lending rates

Effective date: July 4, 2005

Lending Rate	Previous (%)	New (%)	Change (bps)
MLR	5.50	5.75	+ 25
MOR	5.75	6.00	+ 25
MRR	6.00	6.25	+ 25
Max rate	MRR+5.00	MRR+5.00	No change
Penalty	13.50	13.50	No change

- The purpose of long-term deposit rate increase is to allow the Bank better flexibility in managing its asset and liabilities portfolio as well as to be in line with a long-term money market trend. Furthermore, it is to expand the investment alternative to depositors of the Bank and/or to the public which provide higher yield. Currently, the Bank still has excess liquidity thus it is not necessary to raise more short-term funds.
- In addition, the adjustment of the Bank's lending rates will now put all KBANK's lending rates in-line with other major Thai banks.

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