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Biodiesel Production, Usage and Government Policy in Thailand

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Abstracts

Apparently, Thailand is one of the pioneers in the region to successfully promote and implement biodiesel blending policy throughout the country. As placed 3rd rank in the world production of crude palm oil, Thailand has sufficient feedstock for edible and energy sectors so called palm based biodiesel. Moreover, Thai CPO production has currently out driven local demand and it makes Thailand net exporter of palm oil. Along with the incremental palm oil supply for the last 10 years, Thai government has therefore increased blending ratio of biodiesel through the major renewable energy plan called *Alternative Energy Development Plan*. This plan played an important role to shape up today biodiesel business environment. Somehow, the maximum and proper biodiesel blending ratio is one of the most frequent questions being asked. There are several field tests carrying on in many countries and so far, many different conclusions are drawn.

Biography



Mr. Sanin Triyanond graduated Bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand, and obtained a Master in Engineering Management at Duke University, USA. At present, he is the Director of Patum Vegetable Oil Company Limited – major producer of palm-based edible oil and biodiesel. Also, he is the Chairman of Thai Biodiesel Producer Association, and Deputy Secretary-General of Renewable Energy Club, The Federation of Thai Industries (FTI). He has participated in several committees which played a significant role in developing and supervising oil palm, and palm oil, and biodiesel industry in Thailand, for instance, Thailand Oil Palm Board, and the Drafting Subcommittee of Oil Palm and Palm Oil Act.

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