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# Poon Pid Thong: Gold-Pasted Cement

A nationally and internationally acclaimed  
novel of life, love, hopelessness,  
fulfillment, and redemption

One of the best novels of all time.

## Krisna Asoksin

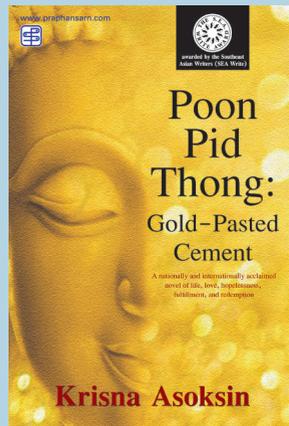
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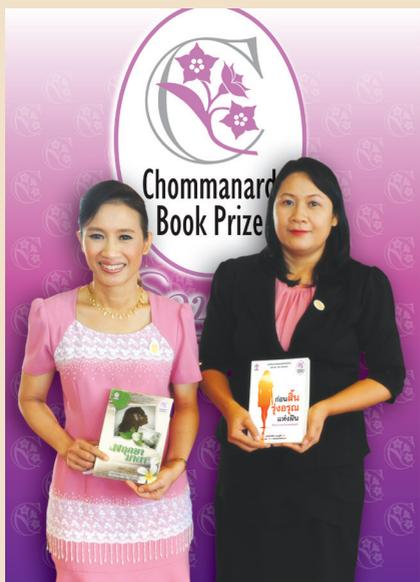


A beloved and revered Thai novelist Krisna Asoksin, Thailand's 1988 National Artist in Literature, is the author of more than 140 novels, 20 of which are nationally and internationally acclaimed and honoured with awards. Among these awards, to mention only a few, are Southeast Asian Treaty Organization Literary Award (for *Rya Manus: The Human Ship*, 1968; and *Tawan Tokdin: Sunset*, 1972); Southeast Asian Writers Award (for *Poon Pid Thong: Gold-Pasted Cement*, 1985); and Award of Excellence from "7 Book Awards" given by C.P. 7-Eleven Company Limited (for *Wiang Waen Faa*, 2004).

With great insight and skill of an accomplished storyteller and analyst of human emotions, Krisna Asoksin, in this S.E.A. Write awarded novel *Poon Pid Thong: Gold-Pasted Cement*, succeeds in transporting readers into her world of privileged Thais of the mid twentieth century where, despite the arrival of modernism, increased westernization and new ideas, men still reigned supreme in terms of sexual relations, where male predatory tendency and behavior were still overlooked, if not condoned, and where heads of households with their many mistresses and offspring caused the families to break up, with resulting feelings of abandonment, both physically and psychologically, by the children of these men and women. The author takes us readers deeper and deeper into the lives of two protagonists, a man and a woman, who shared this sense of childhood-to-adolescent abandonment and its great effect on their lives. Concurrently, with her multi-layered narration, Krisna Asoksin also shows us how Thais, from time immemorial, have always likened parents to statues of Buddha, worthy of veneration, to be paid homage to with candles, incense, flowers; and with glittering pieces of gold leaf pasted on them. She then questions whether imitation statues made of cement and pasted with gold leaf to fool people should be venerated in the same way as the real statues of Buddha.

This novel is a page turner, filled with cleverly drawn and fascinating types of characters, funny depictions of Thai scenes, sad and joyful episodes portraying love and family relationships; and in the end, the power of kindness and compassion that triumphs over every pain, hatred, and suffering.





## Two winners from '3<sup>rd</sup> Chommanard Book Prize', True stories of 'Women' that readers shouldn't be missed out

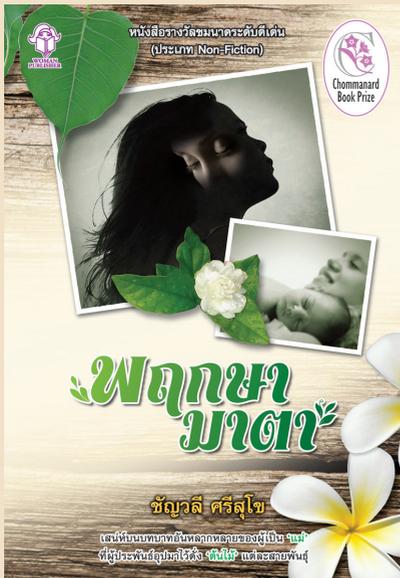
Chanwalee Srisukho and Sirinrumpai Maria Prapantawee talk about her books, interviewed by Suppakarn Ruangdech, Matichon daily newspaper.

Thailand's most prestige award "Chommanard award", had first officially launched in 2008. The one and only award for Thai female author, aim to present the literature that draw attention and feedback domestically and internationally. Under the topic of non-fiction books contest, 3rd Chommanard award 2013 has the objective to share experiences and ideas to the society. This year has 2 winners of Chommanard award.

First literature goes to "Prueksa Ma-Ta", written by a woman doctor Chanwalee Srisukho. As a long experienced obstetrician for 30 years, this made her familiar with motherhood more than anyone. Many of her stories, it is hardly believe that they are based on the true stories. "Some mother were as good as an angel but it

is unacceptable in some mother. I am wondering how they can be a mother. I can witness both good and bad mother. Consequently, those stories are considered as a good motivation to me for writing about various mother's stories in my life. Starting with a first depressed story, I witness that there is a mother in the final stage of cancer. If she makes a decision to do a medical operation, she would absolutely lose her baby but she keeps insisting that a baby must be survive in regardless of her life. It is such a very impressive story." Chanwalee Srisukho said.

With a code of conduct, she can't identify the patient, but named her "Mae ton Pai" or Bamboo mother in English. Bamboo would die after its fruitfulness. To other mother, she also named after the tree's name for reminding of mother that "Being a



giver”. That is an analogy of “Prueksa Ma-Ta”. She kept writing till the story of 20th mother to release. She decided to write about her mother because she considered that her mother disliked her. As the book completed, it turned her to realize that how much her mother love her.

As she finished writing the story of 19<sup>th</sup> mother, she suddenly thought of her mother. “Men should read this book for a better understanding about their mother and likewise if they get girlfriend, they should take a good care of each too”, Chanwalee Sukho said.

Here comes the Chommanard award for the second story. “Kon Sin Roong Arun Haeng Fwan (One Life before Sunset)” written by Sirinrumpai or Maria Prapantawee. She mentioned that journeys allow her to see the world wider. What happen and then affect

one mind. Her literature is inspired by her mother’s pass away.

“This book is divided into many chapters. These stories impress the author. Personally, those stories reflect many other naturally occurrences because life is short. We should share the worthy one to the others or even ourselves. Including being a role model to the others as well .World keeps turning everyday. I want everyone to focus on our spiritual intelligence, rather than sticking to the civilization of object. Therefore, idea came to my mind for naming “One Life Before Sunset”. This world is the widest school, while people will possibly be the pupils.”

The works of two awards shouldn’t be miss out.



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## Non-Fiction



Title's name	Prueksa Ma Ta
Author	Chanwalee Srisukho
Publisher	Woman Publisher
ISBN	978-616-510-518-7
Year of published	2013
No. of pages	224

### Synopsis:

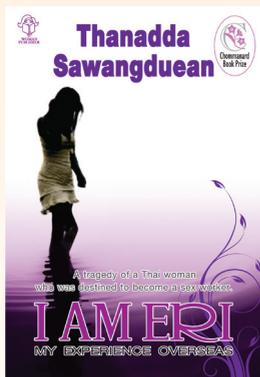
One of the winner from the 3rd Chommanard Book Prize (2011-2013), "Prueksa Ma Ta" is the non-fiction consist of the true stories about mother's life in many dimensions, through the eyes of one obstetrician who works and familiar with mother and children for a long time. She is not only intending to assist in childbirth, medical care, and patient securement, but also take an interest to motherhood seriously. In this non-fiction, it's accumulate her experience during obstetric work, convey the true stories of "mother" by using the names of various plant (Prueksa) which in biology, plant is the "giver" as same as "mother" to compare any kind of mother she had met. This book is praiseworthy in term of may help in mental complex curable whole mother and child, as well as one best quality of psychological book.



Title's name	One Life before Sunset
Author	Serenade (Sirinrumpai)
Publisher	Woman Publisher
ISBN	978-616-510-518-7
Year of published	2013
No. of pages	296

### Synopsis:

This is a story of a Thai woman writer whose livelihood began around Northeast of Thailand. The writer's confession is that a life should be a kind of never ending lesson. Everyone should spend one life well for upcoming death and couldn't have a chance to recover again after sunset. "One Life before Sunset" won the 3rd Chommanard Book Prize (2011-2013), a famous literary book award only for the Thai women writer.



Title's name	I am Eri :My Experience Overseas
Author	Thanadda Sawangduean
Publisher	Woman Publisher
ISBN	978-616-510-149-3
Year of published	2010
No. of pages	304

### Synopsis:

This is a true story of a Thai prostitute who experienced a cruel fate in which she was forced by poverty to do this kind of career, so that her family in Thailand can live happily with the money she sent back there. However, it was not everything that go into the way she wanted, challenges started to test Eri and her mental strength.

### 《我是艾丽》

这是一个泰国妓女的真实故事—叙述了她被贫穷所强迫而做了这种职业的残酷命运。为了不停地赚钱给家里，她沦为妓女。然而，妓女的生活使她深陷在邪恶的地狱里，而不能退出这个邪恶的地狱。这本书以富有幽默感的方式反映了泰国的社会问题，而且告诉大家这并不是—条不归路，妓女还是有希望重新做人，为时不晚。



Title's name	I am Eri : My Experience in Jails
Author	Thanadda Sawangduean
Publisher	Woman Publisher
ISBN	978-616-510-148-6
Year of published	2011
No. of pages:	216

**Synopsis:**

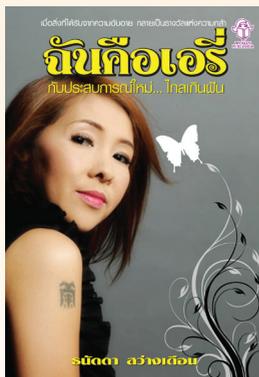
This title is a second one after the writer, Thanadda Sawangduean, had won a great Chommanard Book Prize by the title **I am Eri: My Experience Overseas** in 2010.

This title is **I am Eri: My Experience in Jails** was written and published in May 2011 and becomes one of the bestsellers at Thai bookstore immediately. This is not only because she had won the award, but her true experience in jails of many countries in Japan, Singapore, Bahrain and finally Thailand.

The writer told her direct experience in jails through this book as a good storyteller who had a good attitude towards lives. Though, a place that ordinary people call a “living hell”, but for Thanadda’s perspective is that there’s always a room for friendship, warmth and happiness through difficulties that still be there and then by a different thought.

《监牢里的经历》

此书出版后十分畅销，它叙述了一个妓女在日本、新加坡、印尼的巴厘岛和泰国等国家的监牢里的生活记实。她不但反映了监牢里的地狱生活，还叙述了她在监牢里遇到的友谊、温暖和快乐的生活。此书之所以畅销不是因为作者曾得 Chommanard 一等奖，而是因为内容真实而畅销。

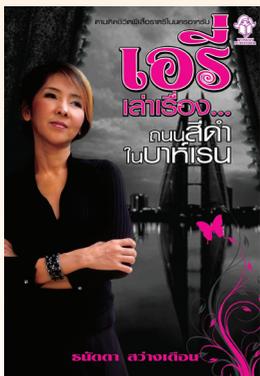


Title's name	I am Eri : My Unexpected Experience
Author	Thanadda Sawangduean
Publisher	Woman Publisher
ISBN	978-616-510-136-3
Year of published	2012
No. of pages:	224

### Synopsis:

"I am Eri: My Unexpected Experience", the third title from "I am Eri" set, a narrative from true story of ex-prostitute who leave her darkness past behind and changed herself to be a famous writer after won the 2nd Chommanard Book Prize.

Since her first book was published, Eri found herself valuable. Her experience could become an inspiration for people who still lost in the darkness, to find a way out of it. In this book, Eri pointed out to the readers that being a writer is not only changed her life to bright light, but she also discovered she could light some hope for the others.



Title's name	Dark Road in Bahrain narrated by Eri
Author	Thanadda Sawangduean
Publisher	Woman Publisher
ISBN	978-616-510-521-7
Year of published	2013
No. of pages:	296

### Synopsis:

Ever since she grabbed a winner of Chommanard prize in 2010, Thanadda Sawangduen become Thailand's most renowned author. With her instinct of writer, she kept attempting to release her new title. Finally, she delivers her forth title "Dark road in Bahrain narrated by Eri", aims to disclose her friend's experience as prostitute among Bahrain's society.

Bahrain, a small island country in Persian gulf, is connected to Saudi Arabia by King Fahd bridge, proclaimed independence from Iran in 1971. Currently, the number of thai legal workers employment is at 3,000 people on average.

With strict performance of police department in Bahrain, convicts in drug trafficking and prostitution must be sentenced, confined but they also receive deportation. In Bahrain, prostitution is both legally wrong and ethically wrong. Sex worker are condemned from local Arub. Many foreign and local revelers can buy prostitutes in general entertaining place. Recently, there is prostitute nationality ranking works in Bahrain. Consequently, Chinese sex worker is ranked No.1 while Thai come in second followed by Russian and Nigerian. Doing entertainment business in Bahrain has been extremely rising up and heavily competing nowadays.

Working as prostitute in Bahrain seems to be easy. There is a wide range of entertaining places, including 2-3 star hotel, especially serve for sex trading. More streetwalkers work in the pathway, more risky of crime is committed. Many prostitutes experience abuse, threat of violence or become victim of sexual molestation to death. Therefore, if make a decision to do this career in Bahrain, they must learn how to survive and deal with problems, otherwise their pathway could end worthlessly. Prostitution in Bahrain is risky either arrested by police or raped. Some prostitute tortures herself with alcohol or drug before serving her guests, later become drug addicted, including mother and daughter need to serve the same guest. Money is inevitably sole reason. Chance of having the intended happy life-get brought up by beloved guest, is equivalent to chance of winning lottery prize or the so-called one in million.

This book is based on one of her friend "Nook". Her career path leads to Bahrain, chases her dream to support her younger sisters, elderly mother and owning a dream house at last. She tries hard to overcome embarrassment in exchange for money. "You can not judge people from appearance. Someone comes with horrible look, turns to offering assistance. Unlike well-educated people, they mostly turn to be ungenerous people. They are not what they seem to be" says Nook.

Dark road is compared as a pathway of sex workers which is full of cruelty, condemn, concealed teardrops within. Its objective is to built more understanding to prostitute in various ways and equality in society as well as request of treating them in good manner.



Title's name Mahadsajan  
 Naew Phra Rachadamri  
 (6 title in one series)  
 Author Asian Manga Team  
 Publisher Asian Manga  
 No. of pages average 140 pages per one title

**Synopsis:**

This comic series contains six titles. Praphansarn's Asian Manga characters from 'Gang Puan' series learn to implement Thai King's thought . Each title concerns about Thai King's thought and practice. Keng and friends learn about how to be self-reliance, even about resource management, such as soil, water, recycle object, etc., from our King's thought because our country long background based on agriculture society. The heart of Asian Manga's storyboard is how to preserve and present a good content though a series of well written exiting stories.



Vol. 1 - 2 Natural Resource Management  
 ISBN : 978-616-510-016-8, ISBN : 978-616-510-141-7



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Vol. 5 How to be 'Self-reliance'  
 ISBN : 978-616-510-124-0  
 Vol. 6 Learning about 'Recycle Object Management'  
 ISBN : 978-616-510-472-2



Title's name	Gang Puin Guan Payad
Author	Asian Manga
Publisher	Asian Manga
ISBN	978-616-510-135-6
Year of published	2010
No. of pages	136

### Synopsis:

Learn to do personal financial plan through Asian Manga's comic story. A crucial lesson of a Thai famous comic Character named Keng. Keng is one of an extraordinary from a group of friends, that always annoys people in a peaceful community. This title conveys many tips that Keng's parent and friends are trying to teach him various ways of money saving for paying a big sum of Keng's deficit loan. A good adventure plot of storyboard helps readers enjoyable and follow how Keng can be freed from debt, then becomes an independence.

### 《理财帮》

Keng 是一帮淘气孩子中之一，他因向朋友借钱买进口玩具，而受到沉痛的教训。他的母亲和朋友用各种各样的方法，教他节约和存储零钱，最终还清债务，使他感受到无债一身轻的乐趣。读者通过幽默诙谐的故事学会怎样理财。



Title's name	Gang Puan, Asian
Author	Asian Manga
Publisher	Asian Manga
ISBN	978-616-510-516-3
Year of published	2012
No. of pages	144

**Synopsis:**

In order to serve the AEC (Asian Economic Community) upcoming which has plan to get success within 2015, the content of this comic from Asian Manga would present the story of ASEAN. Gang Puan, the Thai protagonists have a chance to join the school seminar and doing group activities with foreign friends from the other 9 members of ASEAN. This book's content included the general information of ASEAN, whole origin and objectives, cooperation among members, advantages and disadvantages from the cooperation, also the tendency and roles of Asian youth in order to push forward the community development. Content's purpose is to give the readers understanding more about ASEAN through a simple comic format which is easier to understand and more enjoyable.



Title's name	The Kiddy Gang: Get prepared for AEC 1
Author	Asian Manga
Publisher	Asian Manga
ISBN	978-616-510-525-5
Year of published	2013
No. of pages	144

### Synopsis:

Because The Association of Southeast Asian Nations or AEC will be opening in 2015, the Kiddy Gang members harmoniously practice their English skill urgently. The Kiddy Gang therefore come up with an idea of a tutoring program before everyone has to explore the 10 member countries. But first of all, we must credit the editorial team for their hard working, searching important information involved and minimize them to the portable handbook full of knowledgeable and entertaining content for all readers aged 4-11 years. In AEC volume1, The Kiddy Gang members and new participant members introduce the first five member countries. They are:

#### Chapter1. Thailand: Get ready for AEC

Today, the Kiddy Gang members meet the school principal for requesting of definition and purpose of AEC constitution. Wan shows his knowledge by describing the history of Thailand thoroughly, starting with the dynastic monarchy since B.E 1792 onwards, alternating with information of developing country through each king in Rattanakosin and Chakri dynasty. Apart from information of monarchy, they also share the benefits of being member of AEC. For foodstuff, Uan voluntarily recommends for the famous national dishes.

#### Chapter2. Republic of the Philippines: For god, people , nature and country

On teacher is assigned to visit The Philippines, which was discovered by Ferdinan Magellan, a Portuguese explorer. On teacher luckily has the local guides named “Eris and Manny”. Both guides share several information- tradition, architect, government, the national dishes, important places and traditional folk dance “The Tinikling dance” similar to Thailand’s Lao Krathop Mai.

**Chapter3.** Malaysia: To become the developed nation by the year 2563 Pom flies to Malaysia to meet the local guides “Ansarees and her grandpa”. Both local guides take him to many places, ranging from Petronas tower, KL tower, also adding the transportation system. Stop and taste the national dishes called “Nasi lemak(eating with bare hand) and visit Putrajaya town initiated by the forth prime minister “Dr.Mahathir Mohamad”. Come enjoy his mission.

**Chapter4.** The republic of Singapore: Enhance learners’ cognitive skills It’s now Keng’s turn to tour Singapore, guided by David and his elder sister “Lisa”. David instructs the history of Singapore, narrating father of Singapore’s history “Thomas Stamford Raffles”. Thomas was a British statement, best known for his founding of the city of Singapore. Lisa states other communities representing their multi racial nation-Arub Street, Little India, China Town and Peranakan. Relax and find something to eat. Then, go see the largest water catchment area of Singapore and other attraction spots, scenery like Singapore Flyer. “Supertrees” the illuminating trees powered by solar cell. Lastly, one of things that foreign travelers must see is Merlion, a national symbol of Singapore.

**Chapter5.** The Republic of Indonesia: Unity among variety. The local guides “Sandra and Insfan” share Nidnoi information. At the beginning, Sandra tells about the history of Indonesia throughout government after world war II to present, transportation system, the national monument(Monas) and also visit the office of ASEAN secretariat where former Secretary-General of ASEAN Dr. Surin Pitsuwan used to served. Sandra furthermore invites Nidnoi to taste its national food. After that, they take a moment of relaxation with traditional folk dance called Saman, Jaipongan etc. They end up traveling Indonesia with visiting Borobudur, a massive Buddhist monument.



Title's name	The Kiddy Gang: Get prepared for AEC 2
Author	Asian Manga
Publisher	Asian Manga
ISBN	978-616-510-535-4
Year of published	2013
No. of pages	136

### Synopsis:

Let's continue in AEC volume2. There are five more countries to introduce. Presently, the world keeps turning. The movements in the age of globalization affect all human life in every region. Therefore, it's necessary to keep up with the world to meet AEC's objectives.

It now includes all ASEAN member nations. Readers will get informed about five more countries. They are as follows:

#### Chapter1. Negara Brunei Darussalam or Brunei: Brunei vision 2035

It's an opportunity for Wan to tour Brunei, accompanied by the local guides "Rajab and his uncle Sainal". Wan is wondering on the reason of uncongested roads. Sainal reasons that the bruneian people seldom own a motorcycle. They prefer a car because of the cheap oil price after they discovered oil well and natural gas in the year 2472. Meanwhile, they forecast that they might run out of oil and natural gas in the year 2558. Talking about the tourist attraction, they visit Masjid Sultan and Omar Ali Saifuddin Mosque(also known as mini Taj Mahal), a wooden mosque which was built in the 14th century. To the national dish, Ambuyat is a local delicacy. The local guides end their trip with the national park "Ulu temburong".

#### Chapter2. The Socialist Republic of Vietnam: Boost rice production for national stability.

Opening the story with J's farming at Vietnam, coached by a Vietnamese

girl named “Angela”. She also describes the history of Vietnam. It had been both China and French colony. Ho Chi Minh was a Vietnamese communist leader who was prime minister and president, defeating the French Union. Consequently, Saigon, the former capital was renamed Ho Chi Minh City in honor of Ho Chi Minh. Besides, Angela also explains the separation into the North and South Vietnam, economy system in general and export of goods. Furthermore, the tourist attraction “Ha Long Bay” is the must see place for tourists and many more.

### **Chapter3.** Lao People’s Democratic Republic: Peace, Independence, Unity, Prosperity

Here comes Uan’s turn. Uan’s local guides are Lamnow and his father. The meeting point is at Udonthane airport. They drive through Nong Khai to take Thai-Lao Friendship Bridge to Vientianne. When they reach there, they stop and taste French-influenced bread “Baguette” after that they head to Patuxay. Lamnow’s father adds with the government system, the history of monarchy. Enjoy sightseeing in Phra That Luang which is considered a national symbol of Lao and many more temples. Taste the signature dish of Lao and enjoy swimming at Tadkwangsee Water Fall, a wildly popular water fall in Louangprabang. Then, see Lao traditional dance such as Fon Korn Sawan etc. and see the beauty of Vang Vieng or Guilin of Laos.

### **Chapter4.** The Republic of The Union of Myanmar: Rich in natural resources and investment opportunity.

Pew “ a Burmese guide” and Yelin “Pew’s brother” take Jo to Rangoon. They take a drive and describe its history. In addition, Yelin introduces Shwedagon Pagoda “Myanmar’s renowned pagoda, built 2500 years ago”. It’s believed that Buddha’s hair has been kept here. Myanmar is a multi-racial nation as well as its religious and pay homage to Bo Bo Gyi. It’s believed that Bo Bo Gyi can make wishes come true. After that, they wander Scott Market. Here comes the dish recommendation. They recommend Burmese Salad, Gourd Fritters and many more. To further knowledge, Pew states the history of Myanmar and the colonial history.

As usual, they lead Jo to see Yama Zatdaw “Myanmar’s national epic”. Lastly, witness the great of Myanmar’s new capital “Nepido”. It’s 10 times larger than Singapore.

### **Chapter5. The Kingdom of Cambodia: Nation, Religion, King**

Here comes the last country to introduce, Cambodia. Kae undertakes. During a flight to Cambodia, Son Khemarint, a Cambodian teacher who sits next to Kae. With his pleasure, he shares in-dept information about Cambodia, the history of Cambodia, the history of killing field which over 3 million Cambodians were killed. As arrive Cambodia, Son separates, replaced by Kaew “a Cambodian guide”. They take a stroll in Psa Ja Market. It turns to entertaining place at night. Relax and find Cambodian food to eat. Continued by visiting Angkor Wat, tourists must buy entrance ticket. Kaew narrates the history, including the colonial history. He includes Prasat Ta Prohm which was once a location in the film Tomb Raider. With the overgrown roots of the tree, that seem to swallow the temple. At sunset, Kaew directs Kae to see Apsara Dance “a Khmer classical dance”. Later day, Kaew, Kae enjoy sailing along Tonle Sap. Kaew emphasizes the economic policy by elevating the quality of life after experiencing the long war.





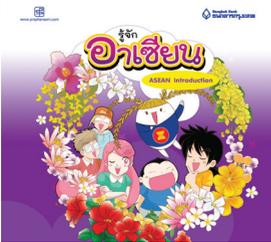
3. “Our ASEAN” presents ASEAN state emblems, forms of government, declaration of independence, presidential information after declaration of independence, founder in ASEAN member countries.

4. “ASEAN Journey” brings readers to visit the remarkable tourist attractions in ASEAN.

5. “We are ASEAN” presents the declaration of ASEAN, the integration of the ASEAN Community, the ASEAN Charter, the ASEAN symbol flags so on.

6. “Power of ASEAN” explains about ASEAN economic cooperation, ASEAN Investment Area and other benefits.

Main purpose of this series is to give readers knowledge and get ourselves prepared for coming AEC in 2015. Moreover, the editorial team realizes the importance of harmony, unity as shown through characters of the Kiddy Gang.



## 1. Asean Introduction

ISBN : 978-616-510-529-3

### Synopsis:

Nidnoi “a smart girl” is a lucky winner from quiz competition about ASEAN. She gains an expert speaking doll reward named “Ruangkaow”. This is the beginning of The Kiddy Gang: AEC series.

At first, members of The Kiddy Gang don't believe in Ruangkaow's ability. Later on, Ruangkaow's thorough explanation can be so satisfactory that everyone accepts him. Readers can enjoy with The Kiddy Gang, plus learn fundamental knowledgeable information about 10 member countries of AEC like greeting words, the official languages, capital cities, religious and animal, flower representing each nation.



## 2. ASEAN Journey

ISBN : 978-616-510-530-9

### Synopsis:

The Kiddy Gang members flock to Nidnoi's house because today Ruangkaow, an expert on ASEAN, promises to take everyone to visit

ASEAN countries. Ruangkaow can transform itself into each national vehicle, takes members to visit famous tourist attractions in each nation, taste the popular local dishes, see famous activities, and get to know with topography, territories and climate of ASEAN member countries. Spaceship can even transform itself into a submarine, continuing to Mekong River and emerges at Tonle Sap in the Kingdom of Cambodia. After that, they visit Vietnam’s renowned tourist attraction “Halong Bay”, later transform into Jeepney “the Philippines’ famous vehicle. After that, they travel to Bali Island in the Republic of Indonesia, followed by Negara Brunei Darussalam or Brunei, taking a picture with Merlion “Singapore’s symbol” and ended up the trip with Land of Smile “Thailand”. That concludes ASEAN Journey in this episode, flip inside to see more.



### 3. Amazing Asean

ISBN : 978-616-510-531-6

#### Synopsis:

Open the story with Uan’s preparation for Asean quiz contest, aims to grab a winner “Top intellectual kid award”. In this book, members and readers can see his attempt to achieve as planned. Just another episode, readers can experience a variety of knowledge such as national traditions, outstanding activities and national costumes of 10 member countries.



### 4. We are Asean

ISBN : 978-616-510-532-3

#### Synopsis:

Here comes the challenging moment. The Kiddy Gang members must unite together to make a group report without Ruangkaow’s assistance. The Kiddy Gang members must be responsible for their assigned job. In this episode, readers can understand about the declaration of ASEAN, definition and its objective, the integration of

the ASEAN community, the ASEAN Charter issue and the ASEAN symbol flags. It shows that success does not come in one day. Without harmony, success can never happens.



## 5. Our Asean

ISBN : 978-616-510-533-0

### Synopsis:

It's time to establish work team for making a presentation in front of the class about AEC. In this episode, The Kiddy Gang members will take readers to get to know with ASEAN state emblems, forms of government, declaration of independence, government after declaration of independence, founder of country in ASEAN member countries and history in brief. Let's find out which team will be a winner of this battle.



## 6. Power of Asean

ISBN : 978-616-510-534-7

### Synopsis:

Making preparations for the ASEAN rally competition makes Nidnoi come to school late. Furthermore, it has come to her attention that each nation can benefit from AEC membership such as there are eight careers can be performed freely throughout ASEAN member countries. AEC integration is setting a target for the region to develop equally in economy. Back to the competition, the winner for The ASEAN rally competition goes to The Kiddy Gang. The prize is Ruangkaow- like knapsacks. Regrettably, the Kiddy Gang can never see Ruangkaow again, but his farewell letter. What cause him to leave? This concludes the final episode of The Kiddy Gang: AEC series.



<b>Title's name</b>	A series for preparing kids before learning in school (10 titles for this series)
<b>Author</b>	Porntip Boonmongkol
<b>Publisher</b>	Praphansam Publishing Co.,Ltd.
<b>ISBN</b>	978-974-000-028-0, 978-974-000-029-7 978-974-000-030-3, 978-974-000-031-0 978-974-000-032-7, 978-974-000-033-4 978-974-000-034-1, 978-974-000-035-8 978-974-000-036-5, 978-974-000-037-2
<b>Year of published</b>	2010
<b>No. of pages</b>	average : 40 pages per one title

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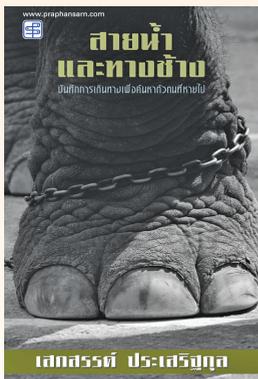
This is a family choice book series, because every parent could prepare themselves to be their kids' first teacher. The series is printed in full colors, design qualified content suitable for kids to learn about their body and their first surrounding likes parent and cousins, places, things and nature around them. This series facilitates all kids have a golden chance to learn, understand, and then practice suitable skill at their age.

This series helps parent prepare their kids, a right attitude concerned their body, emotional understanding and intellectual development towards the coming real society. The various methods that each book of the series recommends step by step learning, such as many well designed activities that help our kids enjoy their perception and development gradually. The kids will be trained to win the designed activities from ease one to hard one through this wonderful series. Finally, by using this series as a helping tool will facilitate the user to prepare their kids ready for joining any disciplinary classroom by their own confidence.

## 《学前儿童必备》

这套书适合于3—5岁儿童，可以帮助父母成为孩子的第一位老师。它以鲜艳的色彩、精美的设计，以孩子周围环境为主要内容。如：父母和兄弟姐妹，各种地方场地，各种事物及自然现象等等。生动活泼，简而易懂，开启儿童学习思维，发挥儿童潜力，是一套帮助学前儿童建立信心，懂礼貌，能够愉快地适应社会学前必备书。





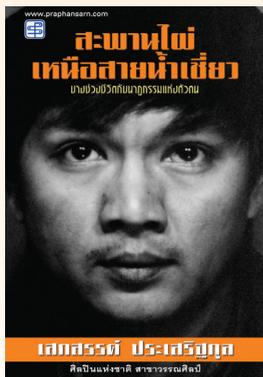
Title's name Stream and Crosswalk  
Author Seksan Prasertkul  
Publisher Praphansarn Publishing Co.,Ltd.  
ISBN 978-616-510-008-3  
Year of published 2012  
No. of pages 480  
Sold over 1,0000 copies in thailand

### Synopsis:

Literature in this period were written after Seksan's graduate with a Ph.D. in political science from Cornell University. He returned to Thailand and became a lecturer at Thammasat University, where he received his knowledge at the undergraduate level. From 1993-1995 he was Dean of the Faculty of Political Science. Apart from academic writings on Political Science theories, a field in which he is an expert, he has produced literary non-fiction works. The "warrior" image reflected in these works is not a warrior in an actual war as appeared in the writings of the previous decade, but a spiritual warrior in the sense that he had to fight against himself insightfully.

#### 《路途》

本书叙述作者从一名信仰马克思主义的学生领袖成为一名忠实的佛教信徒的记实。他因对当时的军人统治不满而进入森林五年，然后出国留学，回国任泰国政法大学系主任。经历了失败的婚姻等等，最后他找到了治疗心灵创伤的良药——佛教。



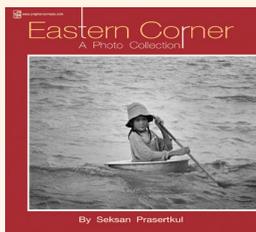
Title's name	Sapan Phai Neau Sai Nam Chiel
Author	Seksan Prasertkul
Publisher	Praphansam Publishing Co.,Ltd.
ISBN	978-616-510-116-5
Year of published	2013
No. of pages	308

## Synopsis:

Sapan Phai Neau Sai Nam Chiel : Every chapter is written within this title, not only reflect an important historical person's life named Seksan Prasertkul. But its content also contains many crucial events of Thai society and politic that Seksan had participated and took himself an important role inside each chapter.

### 《艰难的路途》

《艰难的路途》里的每个章节，不仅叙述了Seksan Prasertkul是泰国社会的重要的历史人物，还通过他在各个历史阶段的经历，反映了泰国社会历史上发生的各重大事件，Seksan Prasertkul是其中的一个重要的角色。



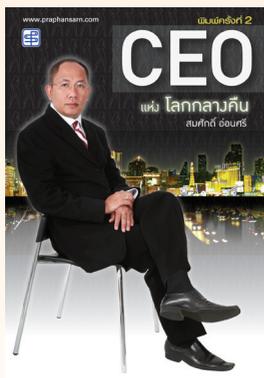
Title's name	Eastern Corner
Author	Seksan Prasertkul
Publisher	Praphansam Publishing Co.,Ltd.
ISBN	978-616-000-014-2
Year of published	2012
No. of pages	126

### Synopsis:

Seksan Prasertkul is a famous writer in Thailand, who has always traveled with his camera, and his photographic works are often used as illustrations in his writings. As for this **Eastern Corner** collection, most photographs were taken in Thailand, China, and other Southeast Asian countries. They are mainly pictures of local people- their expressions, their ways of life, as well as their places of worship. Seksan has personally compiled the collection, and has decided not to provide any textual explanation. In other words, he believes that the pictures themselves can tell something about this part of the world, and have no need for his additional statements.

#### 《东方角落》(相集)

Seksan Prasertkul 是一位众所周知的泰国著名短篇小说作家和周报作家。他背着一台照相机，在东南亚泰国和中国旅行，收集了许多相片，这些相片通过他的视野反映了他对生活意义及灵魂的搜索，他收集的照片不用文字的叙述，就能向世人表达他要说的一切。



Title's name	CEO of the Nightlife
Author	Somsak Onsri
Publisher	Praphansam Publishing Co.,Ltd.
ISBN	978-616-510-003-8
Year of published	October 2009
No. of pages	304

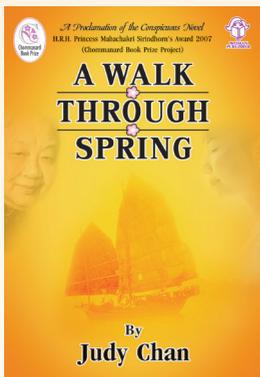
### Synopsis:

Starting and building a business is tough at the best of times – but in **CEO of the Nightlife** there is unique insight into how to do exactly that – and succeed - in the cut-throat, dynamic and highly-lucrative nightlife business in Bangkok. In a seductive sector that many believe is good for a quick, easy buck, this book is ideal for those who have tried and failed or those that are taking a serious view at the nightlife business. **CEO of the Nightlife** offers a step-by-step “how to” approach, applying lessons and practical pieces of advice that can also be applied to entertainment businesses in other parts of the world – delving into everything from operations and location to construction, design, recruitment, training, service strategies and reward.

#### 《酒吧管理者》

他怎样从一个贫穷的火车工人的儿子成为泰国有名的夜总会总裁。本书叙述他从一名最低级的酒吧洗杯工升到高级调酒师、酒吧经理、夜总会股东到夜总会总裁。他以刻苦耐劳的精神和聪明智慧克服了各种困难及问题，经历了坎坷的人生。他对泰国社会负责任，是个有道德的成功商人。

## Fiction



Title's name	A Walk Through Spring
Author	Judy Chan
Publisher	Woman Publisher
ISBN	978-616-510-012-0
Year of published	2010
No. of pages	432

### Synopsis:

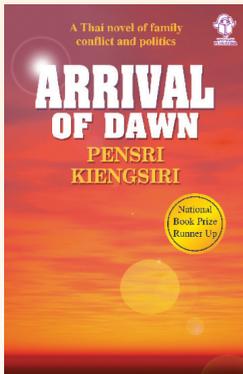
**A Walk Through Spring** is exceptional in its ability to weave well-researched fact into a novel.

The author has carefully selected a wise method to create lively characters and entertaining dialogue while conveying a profound philosophy that celebrates life, at the same time asking probing question into its meaning. The reader will be enchanted by the charm of the tenderness, poise and delicacy of the human heart and soul through the roles of the female actors. Discover the bonds which tie generations to one another which are often to be as mysterious as the nature of women themselves.

#### 《春天的一次散步》

《春天的一次散步》是一本描述了三代广东女人在泰国生活的事实小说。作家通过深入调查和研究，精心地选择，活泼生动纤细地反映了她们平凡生活中的不平凡。读者将从这本书中体会到吃的艺术、女人的温柔和两代广东女人之间的感情关系。

## Fiction



Title's name	Arrival of Dawn
Author	Pensiri Kiengsiri
Publisher	Woman Publisher
ISBN	978-974-319-673-7
Year of published	2009
No. of pages	216

### Synopsis:

In Arrival of Dawn, the main character relates her life as the oldest of three children, and the one who must stand as a strong pillar for her younger brother and sisters. The obedient and dutiful daughter accepts the physical and mental pressures of her role, giving up suitors, and sacrificing personal happiness. Turning to dharma later in life brings a clear and bright understanding to her heart, and because Buddhism teaches “take the middle path”, her character and actions begin to change. She realises that the foundation of society depends on the strength of each family, a thought that comes like an early morning light that shines on her heart.

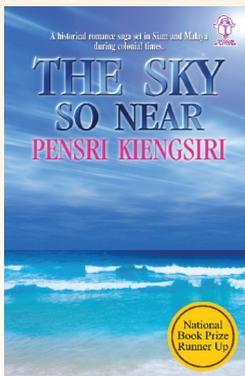
### About the Author

Pensiri Kiengsiri is one of Thailand's most outstanding translators and authors, and is a special lecturer at Ramkhanhaeng University in creative writing. A columnist for numerous periodicals and newspapers, she is based in Thailand.

### Other Published Novels

- Poems From Thailand
- Thailand - Revealing Perspectives
- Love in The Fish Market

## Fiction



Title's name	The Sky So Near
Author	Pensri Kiengsiri
Publisher	Woman Publisher
ISBN	978-616-510-132-5
Year of published	2010
No. of pages	552

### Synopsis:

**The Sky So Near** by Pensri Kiengsiri, is a rich tapestry of everyday life that takes place between the reigns of Rama V and VI – two of the nine kings of Siam's Chakri Dynasty. To the backdrop of historical events such as Siam's acceptance of British sovereignty over Kedah, Kelantan, Perlis and Trengganu in 1909.

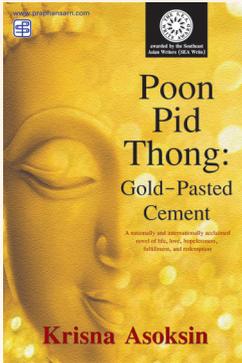
Readers become immersed in the lives of two families and the unfaltering friendship between two patriarchs whose circumstances force them to live far apart. Readers get a true perspective of the times, complete with the age-old customs and religions of the Siamese, Chinese and Malay people who lived together in the same communities. **The Sky So Near** provides readers with a vast background to the development of modern day Thailand through a fascinating family saga.

### Other Published Novels

Pensri Kiengsiri is one of Thailand's most outstanding translators and authors, and is a special lecture at Ramkhanhaeng University in creative writing. A columnist for numerous periodicals and newspapers, she is based in Thailand.

### Other Published Novels

- Poems From Thailand
- Thailand – Revealing Perspectives
- Love In The Fish Market
- Arrival of Dawn



Title's name	Poon pid Thong: Gold-Pasted Cement
Author	Krisna Asoksin
Publisher	Praphansarn Publishing Co.,Ltd.
ISBN	978-616-510-049-6
Year of published	2014
No. of pages	432

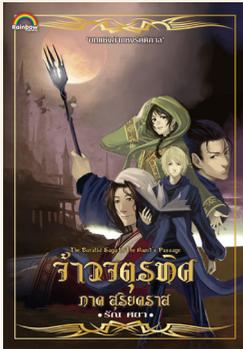
## Synopsis:

“Poon Pid Thong or Gold-Pasted Cement” one of Krisna Asoksin’s novels won the prestigious Southeast Asian or S.E.A Write award in 1985.

When one seriously has the family problem, whatever cause. With lack of maturity, they often turn to drug use, gambling or even committing any form of crime. As we are all aware, this kind of problem can impact the development of nation in several respects both the quality of people and society.

Author reflects the social problem through characters of Poon Pid Thong “Songmuang and Balee”. A couple was born and grew up in the broken family. They decide to spend life together mindfully, try erasing all bad memories in the past, solve the problem logically, fulfill each other with love and care. Admit the weakness to oneself and another. Songmuang and Balee must support each other to go through the bad times for a sustainable family and everlasting happiness.

The Author shows us how Thais, from time immemorial, have always likened parents to statues of Buddha, worthy of veneration, to be paid homage to with candles, incense, flowers; and with glittering pieces of gold leaf pasted on them. She then questions whether imitation statues made of cement and pasted with gold leaf to fool people should be venerated in the same way as the real statues of Buddha.



Title's name	King of Warriors I : Eclipse
Author	Run Saya
Publisher	Rainbow Publisher
ISBN	978-974-499-858-3
Year of published	2009
No. of pages	452

## Synopsis:

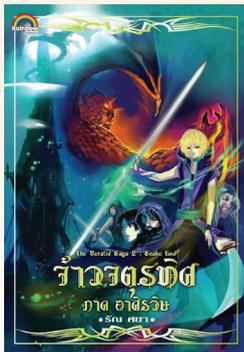
Ramit is a slave at Jantrakras(lunar eclipse)castle which is one of the empire of a governor in the west land named “King Thevatis”. Holding an annual festival “ogre’s head hunting” at Jantrakras castle draw attraction from many famous warriors from every places especially warrior of the north. In the meantime, Ramit has a sense of pending doom, according to his puzzled, unclear background and many warriors in chief put the blame on Ramit, intending he could get heavy punishment.

Ramit realizes that he will never escape arrest as well as grant an amnesty. So, he escapes from the castle. Consequently, King Thevatis get authority to hunt him down. Ramit runs away from Jantrakras castle, far away till he runs into governor of the east “Husrangsri” who is antagonistic to governor of the west for a very long time.

Songklod is Husrangsri’s father ,a governor of Wangsuriyun castle, unexpectedly happens to help Ramit from the death sentence. Songklod shows his mercy without hostility to Ramit. Nevertheless, Ramit strongly refuses to go back to the east land and has intention to find out what has made the break-up of 2 governor of Thevatis.

Here comes the climax scene. Ramit senses many plots used, all misunderstanding amongst the 2 parties of warriors, the one intends to see the battle break out and the collapse of the empire, the one puts the blame on Ramit, a wirepuller. Join “exposure the truth who is behind the plot” in King of Warriors: Eclipse.

## Fiction



Title's name	King of Warriors II : Snake God
Author	Run Saya
Publisher	Rainbow Publisher
ISBN	978-616-510-115-8
Year of published	2010
No. of pages	496

### Synopsis:

The sacred rock is believed that can protect people in Thevasilalai empire from harm and brings peace to them.

Gomut council is the house of lords sends an invitation letter to Governor Rattikarn to join the celebration after serving new position. Governor Rattikarn is about to send his beloved disciple "Ramit" on his behalf .In the meantime, turbulence and disorder arises, has made the destination changed to Jantrakras castle instead and get back to help his friend arrested in the south land.

Ramit must figure out how to help his friend "Thivakal" .Things are getting worse, difficult to solve. Disobeying Governor Rattikarn's order causes him to face the complex incidents along his journey as well as cleanse the curse of the dragon. Lastly, Ramit is aware that he comes too far to turn back.

## Fiction



Title's name	King of Warriors III : Wind of Fighter
Author	Run Saya
Publisher	Rainbow Publisher
ISBN	978-616-510-524-8
Year of published	2014
No. of pages	968

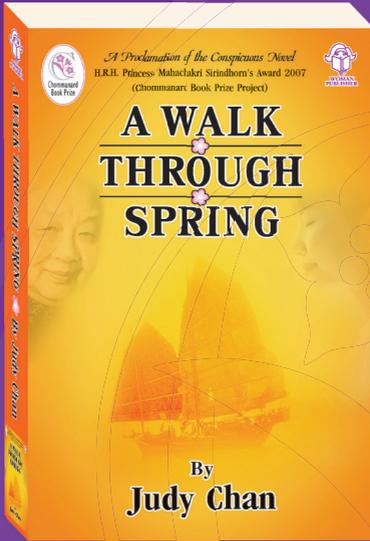
### Synopsis

The plot begins with excitedly fighting competition of five tribe's leaders, which surprises all audiences with their power, swift move and various posture warriors do. Furthermore, a debut of a new character "Araman" that never appeared before in previous episode. In addition to unfolding a secret knot of a great disciple "Ramit" altogether with a mystery of his father "Wichayut", added with many circumstance also leads to meet up with former friends and enemies unexpectedly.

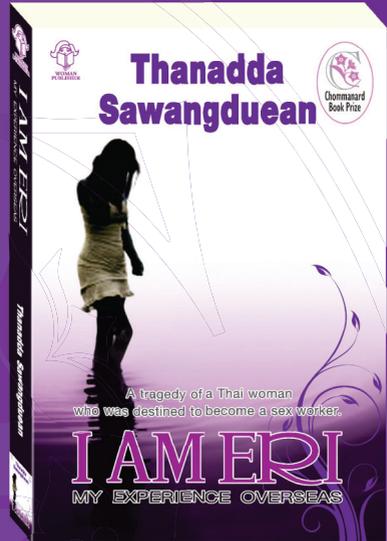
Story line is perfectly composed, enjoyable with amazing climax, plus its gripping content, exceptional language used, its content goes with a fighting atmosphere written, enhances reading enjoyment and visualize the scene as it is described, well depicted.

In brief, this episode ends volume 2, several scenes described in the natural environment which is difficult to foretell, guaranteed with the huge success of the previous episode. For those who are big fan of King of Warriors. Don't miss.

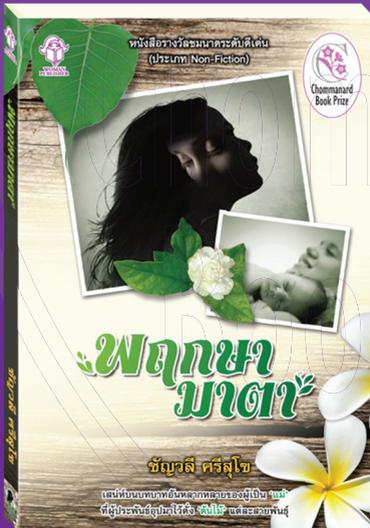
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