

**The Essay Contest Awards on the topic “Knowing BIMSTEC”
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Thailand
17 October 2007**



On 17 October 2007, Mr. Krit Kraichitti, Director-general of International Economic Affairs Department, presided over the presentation of the essay contest awards on the topic “Knowing BIMSTEC” at Press Center, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs had organized the contest as part of the activities commemorating the 10th anniversary of the establishment of “Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation or BIMSTEC”. The objectives of the activities are to promote transnational cooperative projects of BIMSTEC, particularly the role and the benefits Thailand would gain from being a member, and better understanding of the government’s policies pursued under BIMSTEC, where Thailand is the prime mover on people-to-people contacts.

Early this year, Ministry of Foreign Affairs had organized various activities such as an exhibition during BIMSTEC week (20 – 24 June 2007) and painting contests in all BIMSTEC member countries; where after the winning entries were made as postcards.