



## INBrief

### No more tollgates for pass holders

**TRANSPORT:** From the beginning of next month, barricades at expressway and motorway tollgates will be removed during peak traffic hours so vehicles using easy passes or M passes can go through more quickly, said Transport Minister Saksayam Chidchob.

A trial period for the barricade-free lanes has been conducted at the Asok tollgates and proved effective in speeding up traffic, the minister said.

The barricades are removed from the easy pass and M pass lanes from 6am to 9am and from 3pm to 8pm.

Cameras are installed at the toll booths to take pictures of the number plates of vehicles not equipped with the passes but which use the barricade-free lanes. Legal action will be taken against them, Mr Saksayam said.

Also during the trial period, staff have been selling books of coupons to motorists using cash to pay to pass through the tollgates. This helps traffic move quickly as staff do not have to waste time dealing with notes and coins, he added.