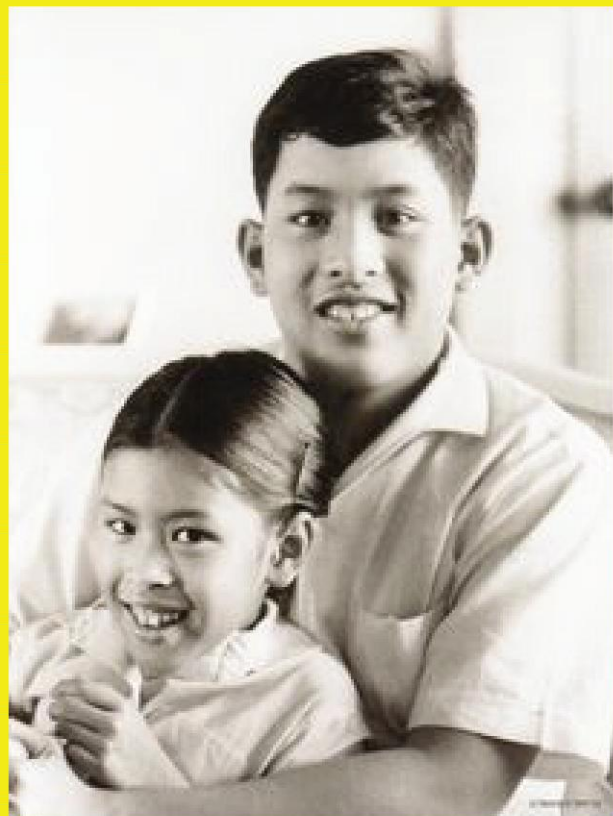
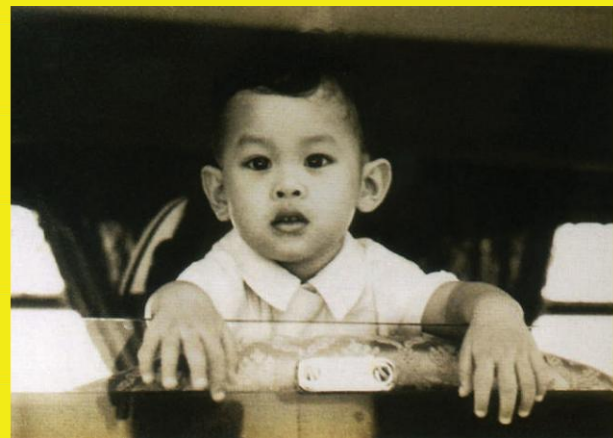
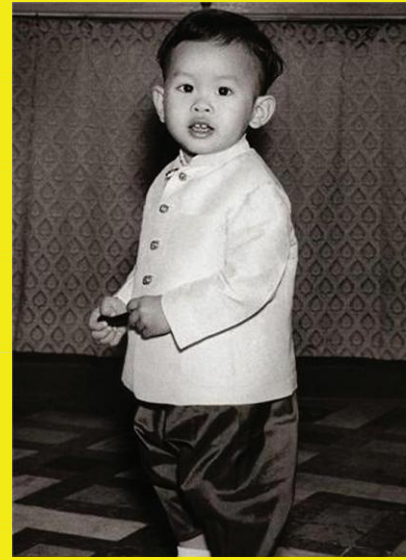




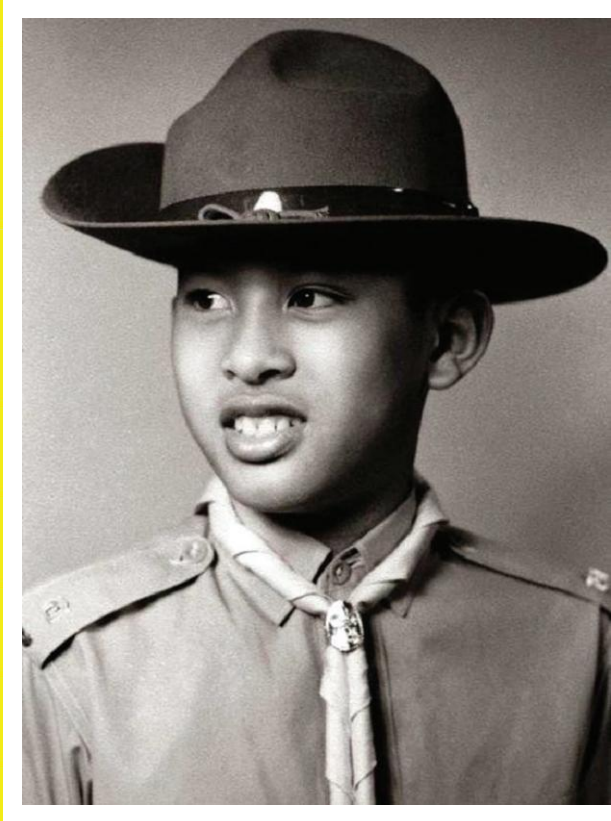
The Royal Coronation Ceremony
His Majesty King Maha Vajiralongkorn
Bodindradebayavarangkun
May 4-6, 2019

JULY 28, 1952

King Maha Vajiralongkorn Bodindradebayavarangkun was born at Ambara Villa, Dusit Palace, Bangkok. The only son of His late Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej and Her Majesty Queen Sirikit , he is the second of their four children.



EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND



1970

He completed secondary education at Mill Field School in Somerset, United Kingdom.

1972

Having attended military training course at The King's School in Sydney, Australia, he then enrolled at the Royal Military College, Duntroon, in Canberra, Australia.

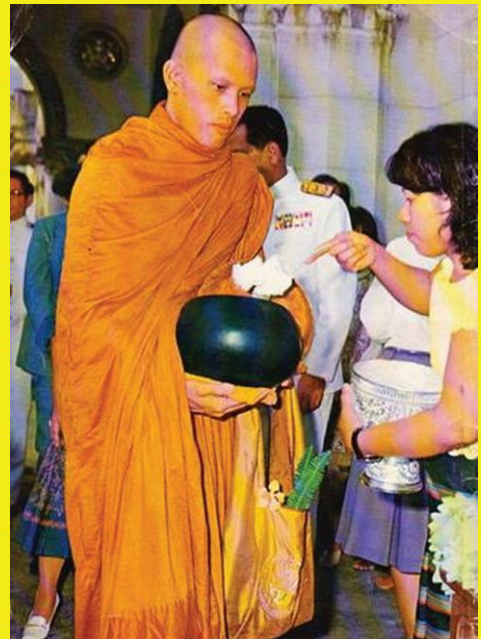
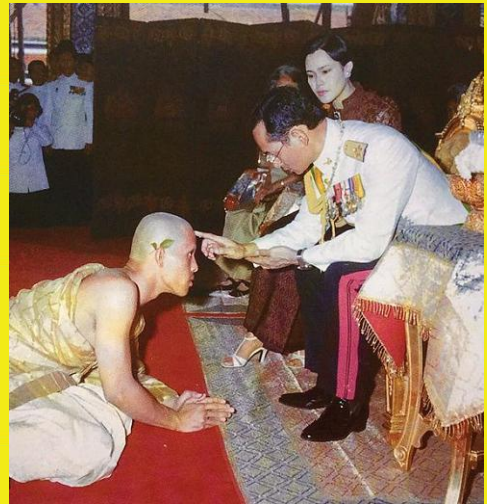
1976

He graduated with a B.A. (Military Studies) from the University of New South Wales, Australia.

DECEMBER 28, 1972

At the age of 20, he was proclaimed Crown Prince—the Heir Apparent to the Throne. The Investiture Ceremony—held at Ananta Samakhom Throne Hall—made him the third Crown Prince in the history of Chakri Dynasty.





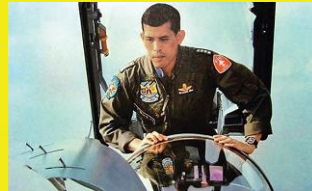
NOVEMBER 6, 1978

Like all Thai Buddhist male devout, he was ordained as a Buddhist monk at The Chapel Royal—Temple of Emerald Buddha. Renamed as "Vajiralongkornno," the Prince-Monk resided at Wat Bovoranives for 15 days.

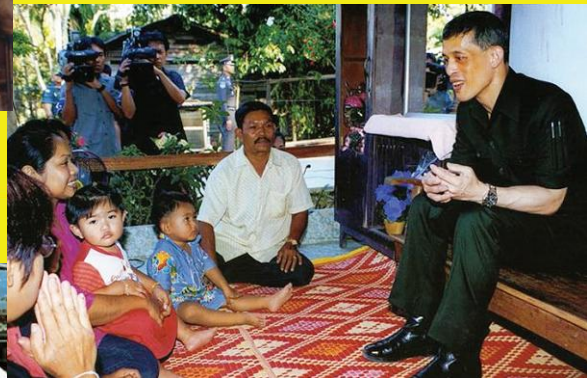


MILITARY TRAINING AND CAREER

He has been well known as a true military man with his major role serving in the Royal Thai Army, Navy and Air Force. In his year round duties, he has made frequent visits to provinces all over the kingdom—both by representing King Bhumibol and in his own capacity—through a wide variety of official functions and ceremonies.



THE ROYAL ACTIVITIES OF
H.M. KING
MAHA VAJIRALONGKORN
BODINDRADEBAYAVARANGKUN



ROYAL ACTIVITIES: MEDICAL AND HEALTH CARE



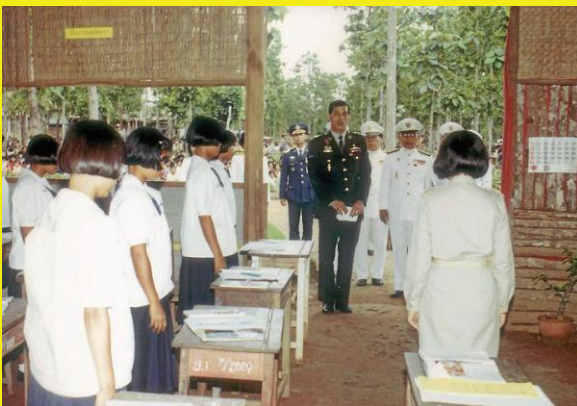
He founded "Crown Prince Hospital" to serve as medical and health care center for people living in remote areas. The Crown Prince Hospitals had been established in 21 locations countrywide.

ROYAL ACTIVITIES: AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Following the path of his father, he continues all agriculture assisted projects under the Mobile Agricultural Clinic Project, initiated under the royal patronage. The project provides prompt services to farmers to induce efficiency into farm production and to solve problems as well as providing advice in agricultural technology. The projects help increase productivity and improve the quality of agricultural production.



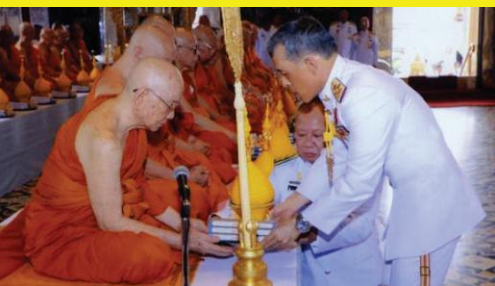
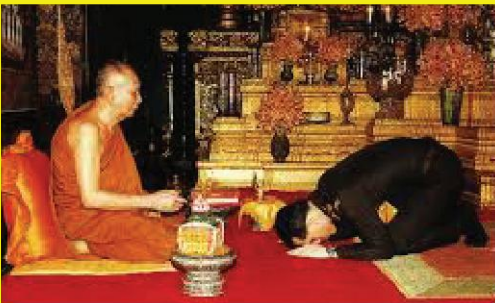
ROYAL ACTIVITIES: EDUCATION



Several public schools over the kingdom have entered into the King's royal patronage. Royal donation has been made to the Ministry of Education to establish and fund secondary schools in the rural areas of the country.

In 2009, He initiated the "His Royal Highness Crown Prince Maha Vajiralongkorn's Scholarship."

ROYAL RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES



King Vajiralongkorn's regular religious activities include seasonal changing of Decorative Attires of the Emerald Buddha Image. In addition, he dutifully performs the year-round religious ceremonies on the major holy-days observed countrywide, such as Makha Bhucha, Visakha Bhucha, Asalha Bhucha, Lent Day, and the annual Royal Kathin Ceremony upon which H.M. the King offers robes, alms and monastic paraphernalia to the monks.

THE ROYAL SPORT KING



Once known as an avid “Football Prince,” King Vajiralongkorn now is also renowned for his involvement in and great supporter to cycling. His keen interest in cycling has led to the kingdom’s major cycling activities which help enliven Thai people’s awareness of physical exercise for their better health.



HIS MAJESTY KING RAMA X'S ASPIRATION FOR PEOPLE'S QUALITY OF LIFE AND WELLBEING



2017

He Launches the project, The Spirit of Volunteering: "We do good from the heart." The project calls for Thai people to perform good deeds through conducting community work for the benefits of the public at large.

THE PUBLIC FAIR OF UN AI RAK KHLAI KHWAM NAO

Primarily reflecting a long-standing bond between the Monarchy and the Thai people, corresponding to the wishes of the late King Rama IX to carry on development of all aspects of life for the benefit of the Thai nation, the fair draws the whole nation to take part in charitable activities with proceeds going to assist the underprivileged and needy in all regions of Thailand.



DECEMBER 1, 2016

He was proclaimed the King—the tenth reign of the Chakri Dynasty, following the invitation by the president of the National Legislative Assembly, in accordance with H.M. King Bhumibol Adulyadej's will, the Constitution and Royal Law of Succession.



The Royal Coronation Ceremony will be held from Saturday 4th to Monday 6th May 2019.

THE ROYAL CORONATION CEREMONY OF THE KING RAMA X

Program starts on April 6 through May 6, and concludes in October 2019

- Preparation of Sacred Water for the Royal Coronation Ceremony
- Inscribing the Royal Golden Plaques and Engraving the Royal Seal of State
- Three-Day Royal Coronation Ceremony
- Royal Land Procession
- Royal Barge Procession



PREPARATION OF SACRED WATER FOR THE ROYAL CORONATION CEREMONY

The earliest process in the preparation of the Royal Coronation Ceremony is to collect waters from different important sources and then consecrate and combine them for use in the Royal Purification and Anointment Ceremonies during the Royal Coronation Ceremony.



APRIL 6, 2019

The gathering of waters to be blessed and used for the sacred water in the Royal Coronation Ceremony takes place in all 76 provinces and Bangkok.

PREPARATION OF SACRED WATER FOR THE ROYAL CORONATION CEREMONY

APRIL 8-9, 2019

Consecration rites for the collected waters are organized at major temples in respective provinces.

Major temples in some respective provinces



Ministry of Interior

APRIL 10-11, 2019

The waters are transferred to the Ministry of Interior in Bangkok.

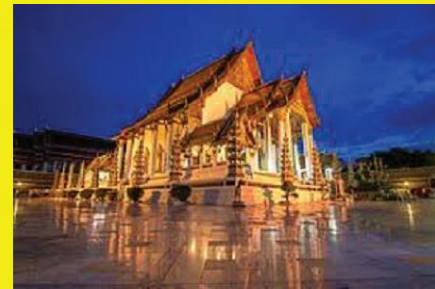
PREPARATION OF SACRED WATER FOR THE ROYAL CORONATION CEREMONY

APRIL 12, 2019

The Bangkok Metropolitan Administration transfers the holy water from Ho Sattrakhom in the Grand Palace to join with the sacred waters from the provinces at the Ministry of Interior.



Ho Sattrakhom



Ministry of Interior



APRIL 18, 2019

The waters collected from 76 provinces and Bangkok Metropolis are gathered and taken from the Ministry of Interior toward final consecration rite at Wat Suthat-one of Bangkok's oldest and the most important temples.



Wat Suthat

PREPARATION OF SACRED WATER FOR THE ROYAL CORONATION CEREMONY



Wat Suthat



Ubosot of the Temple of the Emerald Buddha

APRIL 19, 2019

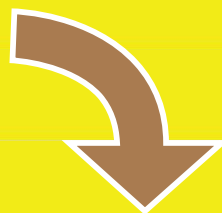
The sacred water is taken into an elaborate procession from Wat Suthat to be guarded at the ubosot or the Chapel Royal of the Temple of the Emerald Buddha.

INSCRIBING THE ROYAL GOLDEN PLAQUES AND ENGRAVING THE ROYAL SEAL OF STATE

The ceremony of making an inscription on the Royal Golden Plaque of the official title of the King, and on the Royal Golden Plaque of the King's horoscope, as well as the engraving of the Royal Seal of State, are the important procedures in the preparation for the Royal Coronation Ceremony. These take place in the Ubosot or the Chapel Royal of the Temple of the Emerald Buddha.



Ten monks



Ubosot of the Temple of the Emerald Buddha

APRIL 22, 2019

Ten monks chant prayers at the Temple of the Emerald Buddha on the day before the designated day of the inscription ceremony.

INSCRIBING THE ROYAL GOLDEN PLAQUES AND ENGRAVING THE ROYAL SEAL OF STATE



Temple of the Emerald Buddha



The Royal Golden Plaque



The Royal Horoscope

APRIL 23, 2019

Ceremony is held at the Temple of the Emerald Buddha to create an inscription on the Royal Golden Plaque, with the official title of His Majesty the King, and the Royal Golden Plaque of His Majesty's horoscope, as well as the engraving of the Royal Seal of State. On this occasion, the inscription of the Royal Golden Plaques, with the official titles of members of the Royal Family, is also made.



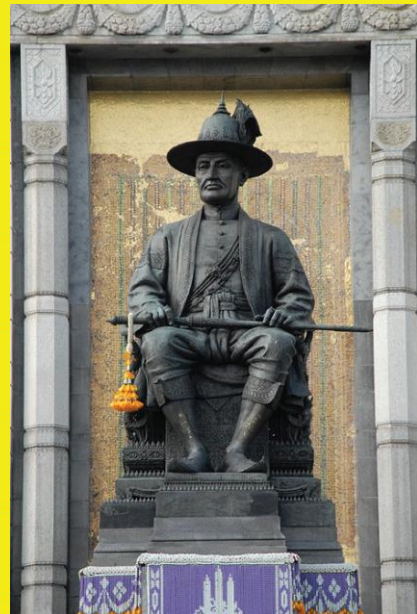
THE ROYAL HOMAGE PAYING & WORSHIPPING

MAY 2, 2019

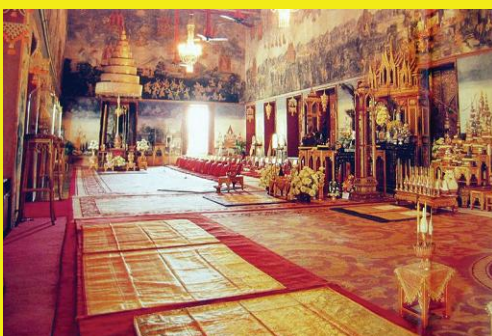
H.M. the King pays homage to the Equestrian Statue of King Chulalongkorn at the Royal Plaza and the Memorial of King Rama I at the foot of Memorial Bridge. He also worships sacred beings at Baisal Daksin Throne Hall and Chakrabat Biman Royal Residence.



The Equestrian Statue of King Chulalongkorn



The Memorial of King Rama I



Baisal Daksin Throne Hall



Chakrabat Biman Royal Residence

TRANSFERS OF THE ROYAL GOLDEN PLAQUES AND THE ROYAL SEAL OF STATE



The Royal Golden Plaque



Temple of the Emerald Buddha



Baisai Daksin Throne Hall

MAY 3, 2019

The Royal Golden Plaque of the official title of H.M. the King, the Royal Golden Plaque of His Majesty's horoscope, and the Royal Seal of State are transferred from the Temple of the Emerald Buddha to Baisai Daksin Throne Hall.

THREE-DAY ROYAL CORONATION CEREMONY

MAY 4, 2019

The Royal Purification, or the “Song Muratha Bhisek” Ceremony, takes place at Chakrabat Biman Royal Residence. “Muratha Bhisek” refers to the action of pouring holy water over the head of the king, also known as ablution. It is followed by the Anointment Ceremony at Baisal Daksin Throne Hall.



Chakrabat Biman Royal Residence



Baisal Daksin Throne Hall



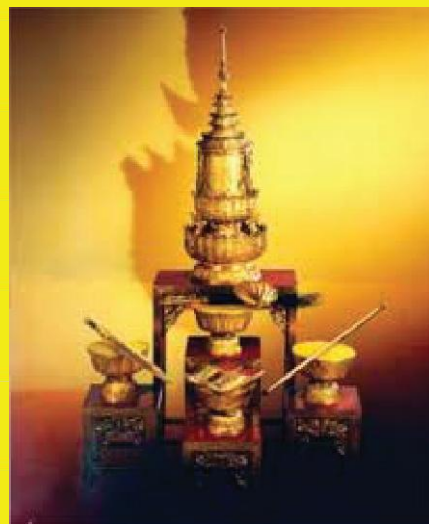
Atha Disa Udumbara Throne



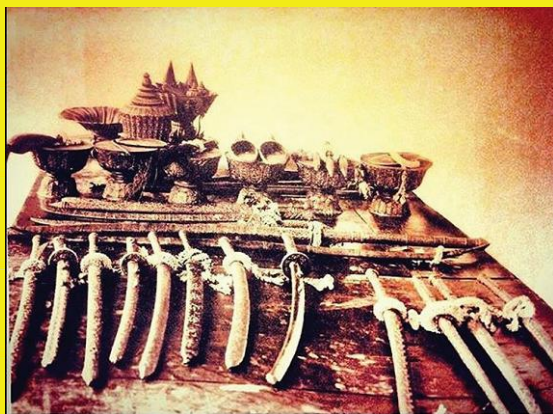
Bhadrapitha Throne



Royal Golden Plaque



Royal Regalia



Weapons of Sovereignty

MAY 4, 2019

Then H.M. the King proceeds to the Bhadrapitha Throne and sits under the Royal Nine-tiered Umbrella, where the Chief Brahmin presents him with the Royal Golden Plaque of His Majesty's official title, the Royal Regalia, the Ancient and Auspicious Orders, and the Weapons of Sovereignty. After the Crowning and Investiture Ceremony, His Majesty presents the First Royal Command.

MAY 4, 2019

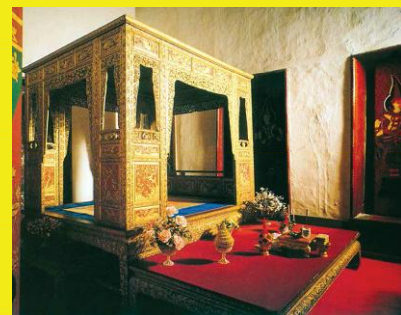
H.M. the King grants a grand audience to members of the Royal Family, the Privy Council, and the Cabinet, as well as senior officials, gathered to offer their best wishes to His Majesty at Amarindra Vinicchaya Throne Hall.



H.M. the King proceeds to the Temple of the Emerald Buddha to proclaim himself the Royal Patron of Buddhism.



The ceremony of Assumption of the Royal Residence takes place at Chakrabat Biman Royal Residence. The purpose of the ceremony is to symbolically take up the royal residence and perform housewarming.



MAY 5, 2019

The ceremony to bestow His Majesty's Royal Cypher and Royal Title and to grant the royal ranks to members of royalty takes place at Amarindra Vinicchaya Throne Hall.



Amarindra Vinicchaya Throne Hall



Wat Bovoranives Vihara



Wat Rajabopidh



Wat Phra Chetuphon

Later, H.M. the King rides in the Royal Palanquin in the Royal Procession on Land to encircle the city, availing people the opportunity to attend and pay homage to their new King. The Royal Procession makes three stops at the respective temples for the King to pay homage to the principal Buddha images: Wat Bovoranives Vihara, Wat Rajabopidh, and Wat Phra Chetuphon.

MAY 6, 2019

THIRD DAY OF ROYAL CORONATION CEREMONY



Suddhaisavarya Prasad Hall



Chakri Maha Prasad
Throne Hall

H.M. the King grants a public audience on a balcony of Suddhaisavarya Prasad Hall in the Grand Palace to receive his well wishes from the people.

H.M. the King grants an audience to members of the international diplomatic corps, who offer their felicitations on this special occasion at Chakri Maha Prasad Throne Hall.



ROYAL BARGE PROCESSION ON OCTOBER 2019

The royal barge procession, which forms a part of the Royal Coronation Ceremony, will be held during the annual Royal Kathin Robe Presentation Ceremony in October. The Royal Barge rides along along Chao Phraya River toward Wat Arun Ratchawararam (Temple of Dawn) where the robe presentation ceremony will take place.



Royal Barge Procession along Chao Phraya River



Wat Arun Ratchawararam

THE ROYAL EMBLEM ON THE AUSPICIOUS OCCASION OF THE CORONATION OF KING RAMA X



The Royal Emblem, marking the Coronation of King Rama X B.E. 2562 (2019), depicts, in the centre, in white trimmed with gold, the Royal Cypher of H.M.King Maha Vajiralongkorn. Each letter of the Cypher is decorated with diamonds which denote the origin from which the royal name "Maha Vajiralongkorn" is derived, whilst the gold trimming of the Cypher represents the colour of Monday which is the day of birth of His Majesty.



IMPORTANT PLACES FOR PERFORMING CORONATION CEREMONY



Wat Phrasirratana Sasdaram
(Temple of Emmerald Buddha,
The Chapel Royal)



Phrasat Phrathep Bidorn
(The Royal Pantheon)



Phra Maha Monthira Group



Phra Thinang Chakrapat Biman

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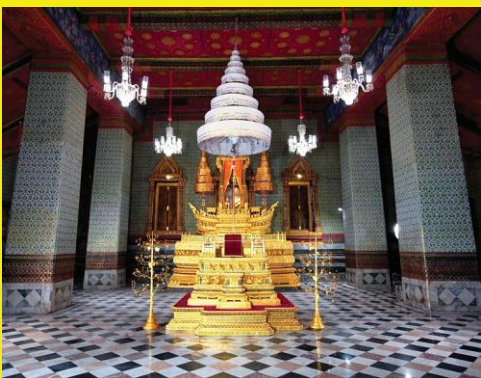
Phra Thinang Baisal Daksin



Hor Phra Dhart Monthira



Hor Phra Suralai Phiman



Amarindra Vinijaya Mahaisuraya
Biman Throne Hall

IMPORTANT PLACES FOR PERFORMING CORONATION CEREMONY



Ho Sattrakhom



Chakri Maha Prasat Throne Hall



Borom Ratchasathit Maholarn
Banquet Hall



Dusit Maha Prasat Throne Hall

IMPORTANT PLACES FOR PERFORMING CORONATION CEREMONY



Phra Thinang Aphorn Pimok Prasat



Phra Thinang Suddhaisavarya Prasad



King Chulalongkorn Monument
(King Rama V)

IMPORTANT PLACES FOR PERFORMING CORONATION CEREMONY



Prathom Borommarajanusorn
(King Rama I Memorial)



Wat Bovoranives Vihara



Wat Rajabopidh



Wat Phra Chetuphon