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Thailand's suspension of 49 under-construction data centres after a diesel spill at DAMAC Digital

Thailand's Bangkok facility (w.media, 2026-09-11)
shows AI infrastructure now colliding head-on with
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EDITOR'S NOTE

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Thailand Froze 49 Builds — Permission Is This Week's Binding Number

Thailand paused construction on 49 data centres this week, new rules promised within a month. In January 2025 AWS launched its Thailand region on a \$5bn pledge and the BOI was waving through \$3.8bn and then \$2.7bn rounds. Thailand carried about 150MW live at the end of 2023; it runs circa 200MW today with roughly 780MW under construction — nearly four times the installed base, and all of it sitting behind one regulatory decision. Singapore's licensing bill, Transgrid's Sydney warning and Firmus tilting to Asia on stalled Australian approvals point the same way. Money isn't the scarce input. Permission is.

WATCH

Watch Thailand's replacement rules, due inside a month, and whether the 49 paused projects restart and on what conditions — roughly 780MW under construction is close to four times the country's live base, and every megawatt of it now depends on that one decision.

Read the full note → leeheggan.tech/week/2026-W37

Thailand suspended 49 under-construction data centres after diesel leaked from DAMAC Digital Thailand's BKK01 facility in Bangkok, per w.media (2026-09-11).

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Australia's NextDC raised AU\$1.1bn in convertible notes to fund data centre build-out, per DCD (2026-09-11).

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