Christian & Nielsen (Thai) Public Company Limited (CNT) recently celebrated 85 years in business with a reception at its brand new Head Office built by the Company at Soi Lassalle, Bangna. A number of the SET listed Construction Company’s customers, consultants, suppliers, subcontractors and bankers attended the reception. The Company’s Managing Director, Mr. Khushroo Wadia, addressed the audience, thanking them for their support and apprised them of recent decisions and long-term actions taken at the Company following the acquisition of a majority stake in the Company almost three years ago by the GP Group. He explained that the GP Group has been in business for 145 years, some 90 of which have been in Thailand.

Commenting on the Company’s decision to build its own new Office Building, Mr. Wadia said that it was rather strange that, in spite of being in the construction business for over 80 years with almost 2,000 prestigious projects to its credit in Thailand, the Company had never built its own office. Therefore, one of the first decisions taken after the change in shareholding was to build the Company’s own office building, which was completed recently, the staff having moved to the new premises in late April. The Company also purchased land at Siracha where the Equipment and Steel Fabrication yard has been built. A Training Center at Nimit Mai on the outskirts of Bangkok was another initiative taken by the Company with the full support of the Company’s new major shareholders. “During its 85 years in existence, the Company has built and executed almost 2,000 projects in Thailand, thereby contributing to the development of Thailand in the 20th and 21st century,” Mr. Wadia said. “I am reminded of the old adage that those who forget history are destined to repeat it, and although the reference to repeating history here is in a negative way, as far as CNT is concerned, if we can repeat the history of CNT, it would be a great achievement” he added.

CNT was established in Thailand in 1930 and listed on the Stock Exchange of Thailand in 1991. During this more than 80-year period, CNT executed a number of projects such as Democracy Monument, Khlong Toey Port, Krungthep, Krungthorn and Nonthaburi Bridges spanning the Chao Phraya river, the Rajdamnern Boxing Stadium, the Sukhothai Hotel and the Asian Games Sports Stadium, all of which have become landmarks today. Projects completed very recently include the SCG 100 Years New Office building certified as LEED Platinum class, and the 2,000 seat Prince Mahidol Acoustic Hall.

CNT now provides a comprehensive range of construction services, including design and construction of a wide variety of buildings and civil engineering works, steel structures with a full range of electrical, mechanical and engineering services, including that in the Oil & Gas and Energy sectors. Under the strategic vision and direction provided by its major shareholder, the Company now looks forward to building bigger landmarks and a bright future.