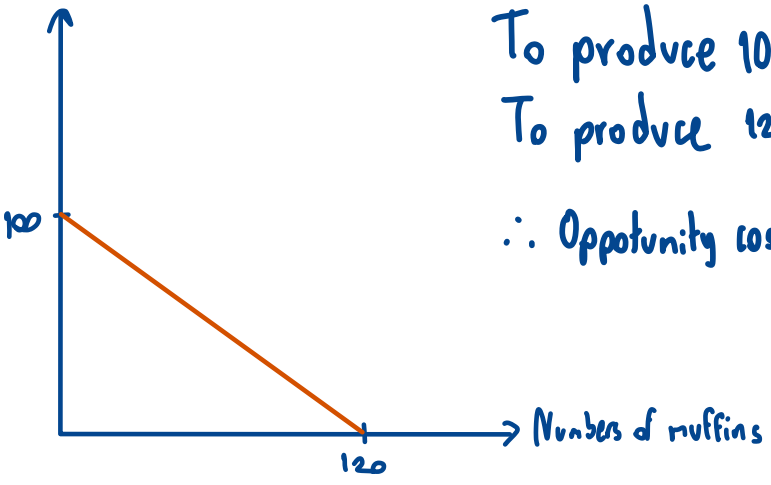


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a) Numbers of cupcakes

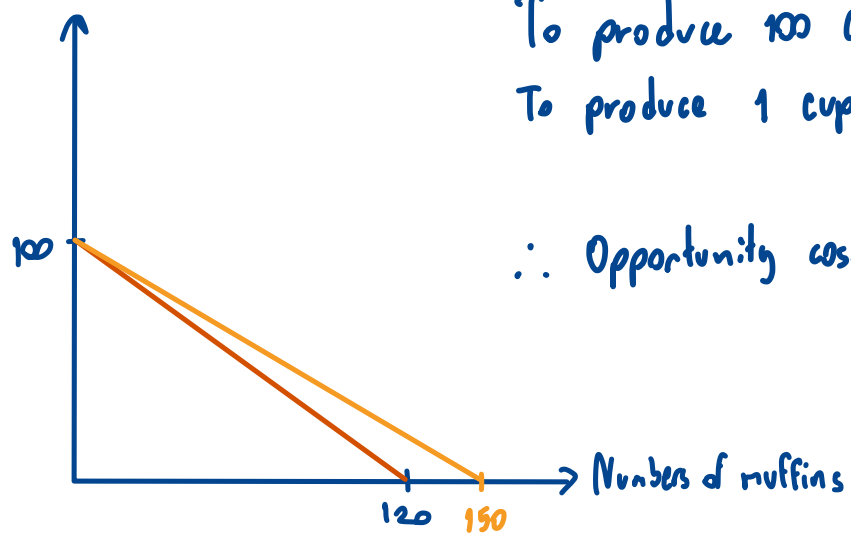


To produce 100 cupcakes, losing 120 muffins  
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$$\therefore \text{Opportunity cost of producing 1 cupcake} = \frac{120 - 0}{100 - 0} = 1.2 \text{ muffins}$$

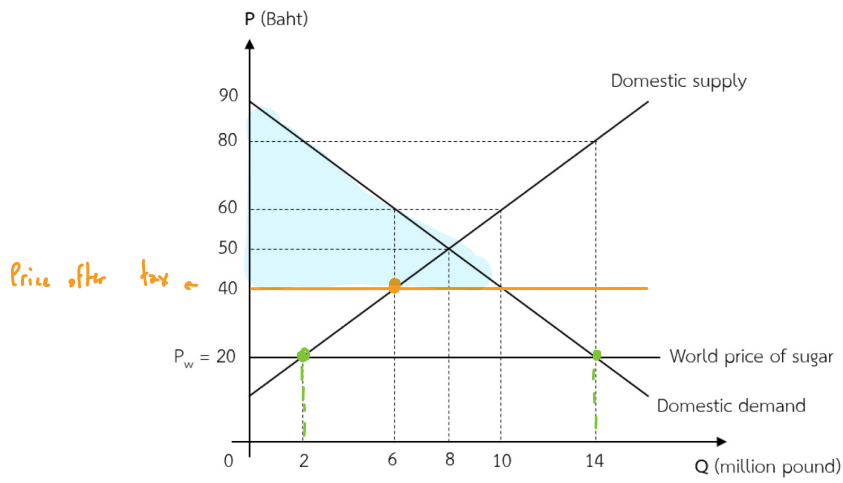
(b) Opportunity cost of producing 60 cupcakes =  $60 \times 1.2 = 72$  muffins  
 So, a baker can produce no more than  $120 - 72 = 48$  muffins  
 $\therefore$  A baker cannot produce 60 cupcakes and 50 muffins because there are not enough resources.

(x) Numbers of cupcakes



To produce 100 cupcakes, losing 150 muffins  
 To produce 1 cupcake, losing =  $\frac{150}{100} = 1.5$  muffins  
 $\therefore$  Opportunity cost increased by  $1.5 - 1.2 = 0.3$  muffins

2



(a) When sugar price is at 20 Baht, Domestic supply is 2 million pounds but the quantity demanded is 14 million pounds. There is an excess in demand, so the country has to import the rest of the sugar which is 12 million pounds of the quantity demanded.

(b), (c) Due to the government collected an import unit tax of sugar, price will be 40 baht per pound. So, domestic supply become 6 million pounds.

(d) Consumer surplus is a net gain of all consumers' different between their willingness to pay and the market price.

From the graph, it is clear that the highest willingness to pay is at 90 baht per pound, while the actual price after including tax is 40 baht. So, the difference in price is 50 baht.

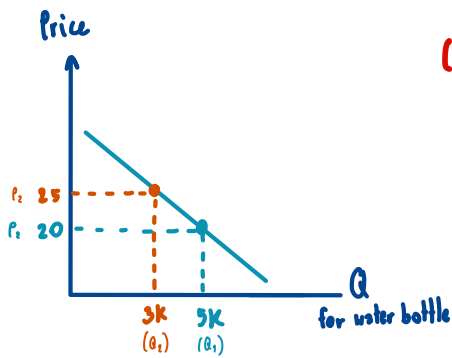
At 40 baht, total demands is 10 million pounds of sugar. Thai people produced 6 million pounds while the rest is imported.

Total consumer surplus is;  $CS = \frac{1}{2} \times 50 \times 10$   
 = 250 million baht.

(e) When the government imposes import tax, the sellers are signaled that the price will increase. So, they produce more from 2 million pounds to 6 million pounds. At this price, total import is 4 million pounds. If the unit tax is collected for imported good only, the tax is  $40 - 20 = 20$  baht per pound.

The total revenue that the government gains from import tax is  $20 \text{ baht} \times 4 \text{ million pounds} = 80$  million baht.

3



$$\begin{aligned} (2) \quad \epsilon_d &= \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta P} \cdot \frac{Q}{P} = \frac{Q_2 - Q_1}{P_2 - P_1} \cdot \frac{P_1}{Q_1} \\ &= \frac{3000 - 2500}{25 - 20} \times \frac{20}{2500} \\ &= -\frac{4}{5} = -1.6 \end{aligned}$$

(b) The total sale revenue from selling sweetened green tea at Thammasat University is decreased because the absolute elasticity demand ( $|\epsilon_d|$ ) is more than 1. If price increase by 1 unit, the demand decrease quite a lot.

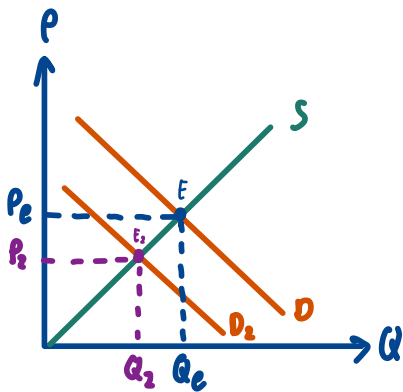
(c) let  $P_1 = 20$  Baht,  $P_2 = 25$  Baht (Green tea)  
 $Q_1 = 2500$  bottles,  $Q_2 = 3000$  bottles (Super drink)

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_d &= \frac{Q_2 - Q_1}{P_2 - P_1} \cdot \frac{P_1}{Q_1} = \frac{3000 - 2500}{25 - 20} \times \frac{20}{2500} \\ &= \frac{4}{5} \\ &= 0.8 \end{aligned}$$

(d) Yes, they are substitutes because when price of sweetened green tea increase, the quantity demand of super drink also increase as well.

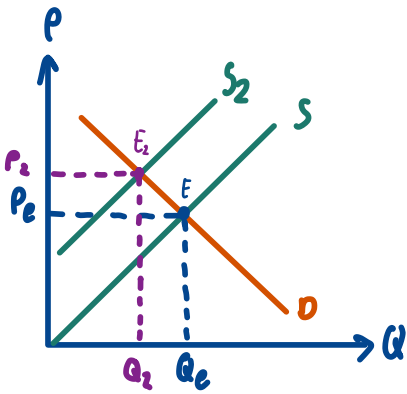
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(a)



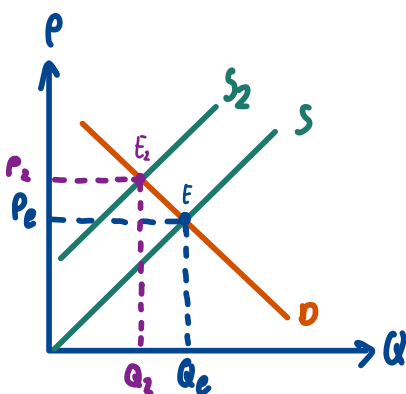
At point E shows the equilibrium of a liquor at  $P_e$  and  $Q_e$ . After putting up a billboards with the health campaign, the equilibrium change to  $E_2$  by demand shift to the left because people realize the health problem, so they consume less alcohol caused decreasing in demand from  $Q_e$  to  $Q_2$ .

(b)



At point E tells us the original equilibrium. After unit tax is collected by government, the quantity supply shift to the left because of higher cost of production led to a decrease of quantity supply from  $Q_e$  to  $Q_2$ . Therefore, the price is increased from  $P_e$  to  $P_2$  to reach a new equilibrium of  $E_2$ .

(c)



Collecting unit tax caused higher of cost production. People who drink occasionally will demand less, but people who are addicted to alcoholic still buy it anyway even price is higher.