

## Asian Network for Prevention of Illegal Tran boundary Movement of Hazardous Wastes Siem Reap, CAMBODIA 29 Nov – 02 Dec 2010

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#### I. Country Profile

• Land Area : 181,035 Km2

•Population : 14.8 Millions

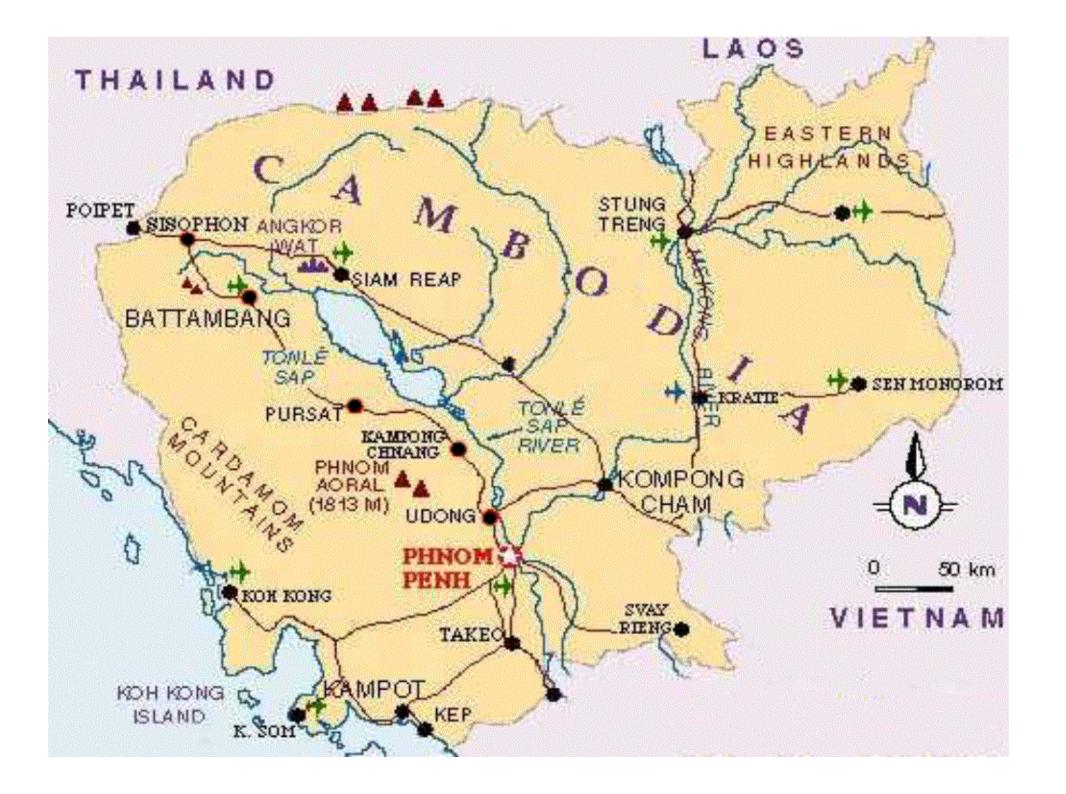
•Capital : Phnom Penh

Neighbouring Countries : Vietnam,

Lao PDR &

**Thailand** 

•GDP Per Capita (2009) : US\$800





## II. Introduction to the General Department of Cambodia Customs & Excise (GDCE)

#### 1-Background

- GDCE was established by Royal Decree No 661-NS dated 29 June 1951.
- It is an institution under the Ministry of Economy and Finance.
- GDCE is headed by Delegate of the Royal Government in charge of the General Department of Customs and Excise of Cambodia (Director General) and is assisted by five Deputy Directors General.
- GDCE total staff is roughly 1,300.
- Revenue collected by GDCE accounts for 60% of the total national tax revenue.



#### 2- Function of GDCE

- □ Revenue collection( duties, taxes, and other charges) on Imports and Exports.
- ☐ Prevention, investigation, surveillance and suppression of smuggling and other customs offences including drugs trafficking.
- International trade facilitation.
- Compilation of trade statistics and analysis of trade patterns to policy makers.



## 3. Simplification of Customs Tariff and Adoption of AHTN

- Tariff structure:
  - ☐ Tariff bands: 4 (0%, 7%, 15%, 35%)
  - ☐ Maximum CD: 35%
  - ☐ Simple average rate: 12,67%
- AHTN adopted (consistent with WCO HS Version 2007)
- □ Published and distributed (New tariff book implemented from 1st July 2007)
- □ Training courses organized for both customs and traders



## 4. Modernizing and simplifying customs procedures

- Modernizing and simplifying customs procedures is carried out under ASYCUDA Project
- 8 green lanes check points established
- Revised Kyoto Convention on Simplification and Harmonization of Customs Procedures



## 5. Strengthening Enforcement Capacity to Combat Smugglings and Customs Frauds

- Enforcement strategy adopted
- □ Sub-Decree 21 (on Risk Management) issued by Royal Government of Cambodia
- Established Customs Marine Team
- Established Enforcement units in each province
- □ Good progress in combating illicit drugs trafficking
- □ Airport contact points (ASEAN) established



#### 6. International Relations

- □ International relations expanded
- Active participation in regional and international customs fora
- □ Prepare to implement WTO Valuation Agreement in accordance with transition plan
- □ Participated in WTO negotiations
- □ Accession to:
  - □ Customs Cooperation Council Convention (2001)
  - ☐ Harmonized System Convention (2003)
- □ TA obtained from Bilateral and multilateral sources
- □ Concluded MOUs with:
  - ☐ Thai Customs (2001)
  - □ Viet Nam Customs (2007)
  - ☐ Lao PDR Customs (2008)
- **Bilateral Meeting with:** 
  - □ Korea Customs Service (2010)
  - □ General Administration of China Customs (2010)



## 7. Implementation of Information Technology and Customs Automation

- □ Automation of customs procedures and processes is one of the keys reform action plan of GDCE. Customs automation project has been introduced since 01 May 2008 in Sihanuok Ville Port (Cambodia largest seaport).
- Rolled out to Phnom Penh International Airport (PPIA) and Dry Ports and put into operation on 01 January 2010.
- ☐ Currently, considered to expand throughout the country



#### 8. Human Resource Development

- Annual Training plan prepared and become basis for Human Resource Development
- Customs Training Center In Place
- New recruitment of 100 new officers (2010)
- □ Code of Conducts and Ethics adopted



#### 9. Enhancing Service to the Public and Trade Facilitation

- On going efforts on improving service and trade facilitation
- □ Trade Consultative Committee established
- □ Customs-Private Sector Partnership Mechanism established
- □ International Affairs became contact point of GDCE
- □ Dispute Settlement mechanism established
- □ Customs homepage created <u>www.customs.gov.kh</u>



#### III. Legal Instrument support Tran boundary Movement of Hazardous Wastes

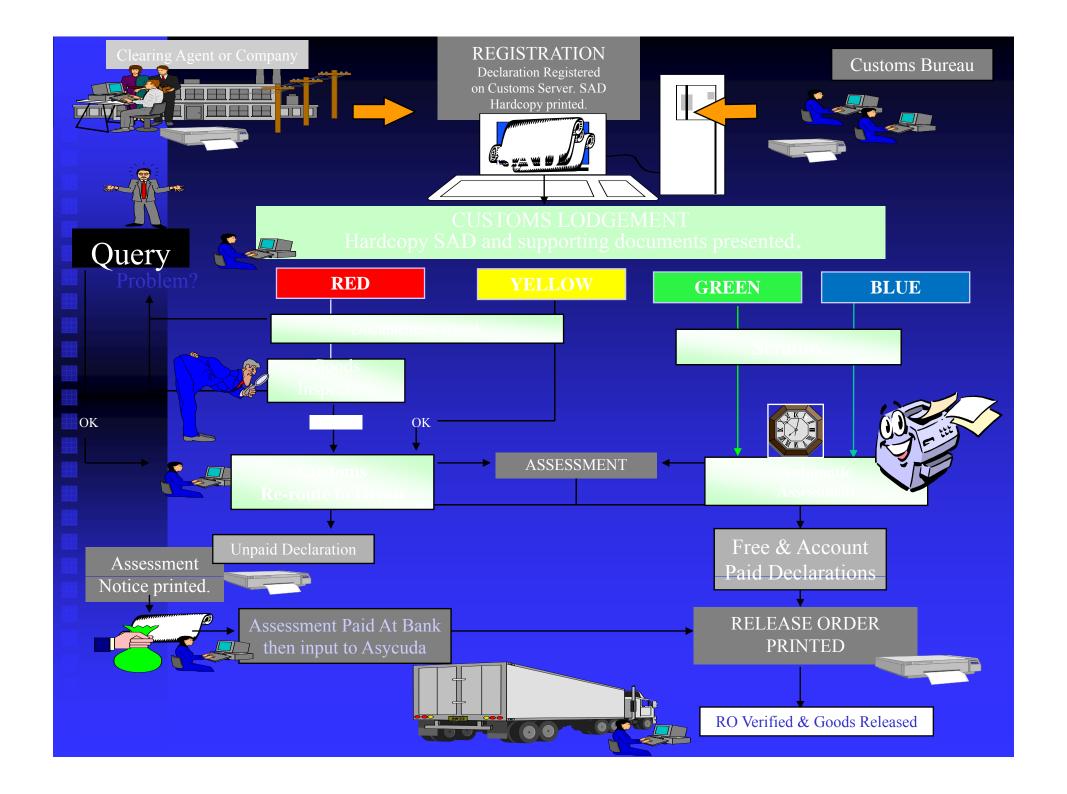
- Cambodia Customs Tariff 2007
- Sub-Decree 36 dated 27 April 1999 on "Management of Hard Waste"
- Letter No. 205 of the CED dated 12 March 2002 on the prohibition of used computers and accessories.
- Sub-decree 47 dated 17 March 2005 on the control of Ozone Depletion Substance.



- Law on Customs promulgated on 20 July 2007
- □ Supporting Regulations issued by Ministry of Economy and Finance.
- □ Prakas on Single Administrative Document (SAD) issued on 31 Dec 2007 (implemented from 1st Jan 2008)
- □ Sub-Decree 209 on the Implementation of List of Prohibited and Restricted Goods (1536 tariff lines, 12 Lines Ministry are involved)

# Electronic Customs Clearance Procedures through Automated System for Customs Data (ASYCUDA)

Import and Export Clearance Flow Chart



- What are necessary documents to be attached to Customs Declaration?
  - ◆ Invoice
  - ◆ Packing List
  - ◆ Bill of Lading/ Airway Bill
  - ◆ VAT Registration
  - ◆ Permit (If applicable)
  - Other necessary documents (If required)

## Thank You for Your Attention!