



NEWSLETTER FOURTH QUARTER OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2022

Ponlok Chomnes' Events



The Asia Foundation's Ponlok Chomnes Program in collaboration with its partners, co-hosted the annual National Policy Forum on "[Strengthening Resilience and Responses to COVID-19 in Cambodia and ASEAN](#)" from October 26-27, 2022. This hybrid event convened over 150 participants representing national and sub-national government, local NGOs, researchers, members of the diplomatic corps, private sector, think tanks, and knowledge producers to showcase their research, discuss, exchange knowledge, and network with participants.

On Thursday 24 November 2022, The Asia Foundation's Ponlok Chomnes hosted a Networking Event and Workshop on "[Research Ethics and Data Intermediaries](#)." This workshop aimed to seek input and comments from participants on a Feasibility Study on Data Intermediaries and Think Tanks/Research



Associations in Cambodia, to disseminate research ethics adopted by the National Council of Science, Technology & Innovation, as well as to increase the network with relevant stakeholders, offer opportunities for participants to exchange ideas, and expand engagement and contributions to the knowledge sector.



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With support from the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, The Asia Foundation's Ponlok Chomnes program and Cambodia Development Resource Institute (CDRI) co-hosted a Symposium on [“Research Evidence and Policy Engagement,”](#) on 15 December 2022. This symposium aimed to share key findings of a study conducted by CDRI on “Technology Integration of Cambodian Higher Education System in Response to the Covid-19 Pandemic,” to collect inputs on the findings from stakeholders and to promote dialogue between researchers, policymakers and members of academia.

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Publications

In case you missed the annual National Policy Forum on [“Strengthening Resilience and Responses to COVID-19 in Cambodia and ASEAN,”](#) held on 26 and 27 October 2022, please take a look at the key takeaways. This includes key actions to support Cambodia and ASEAN’s post COVID-19 recovery – including enabling local communities to meaningfully participate in policymaking processes, adapting to new ways of working, being climate-smart, and promoting people-centric development.

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Forum Brief

THEME: “STRENGTHENING RESILIENCE AND RESPONSES TO COVID-19 IN CAMBODIA AND ASEAN”

WHEN & WHERE: 26-27 October 2022
Phnom Penh, Cambodia

WHO ATTENDED

150 Participants

- Government Representatives and Policymakers
- Diplomatic Corps
- Civil Society Organisations
- Members of Academia and Youth
- Researchers and Policy Experts

TOPICS DISCUSSED

- Agriculture - Food Security
- Education
- Public Service and Social Protection
- Urban Development
- Economy



Policy Updates from Ministries

The [Ministry of Health](#) issued a Warning on Health Protection and Responses Amid Floodings, dated October 9, 2022.

The [Ministry of Health](#) issued a Guideline on Strengthening Health Services in Private Health Facilities dated December 2, 2022.

The [Royal Government of Cambodia](#) issued a Decision on the Social Protection Intervention in Response to Inflationary Pressure, dated October 5, 2022.

The [Royal Government of Cambodia](#) released a briefing note from Samdach Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo Hun Sen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia Press Conference on the Outcomes of the 40 and 41 ASEAN Summits and Related Summits, dated November 13, 2022.

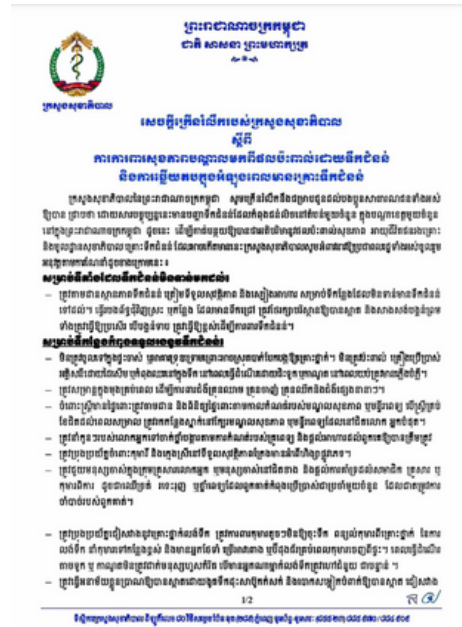
The [Royal Government of Cambodia](#) issued a Sub-decree on the Establishment of the Cambodia Mine Action Fund 2025, dated December 3, 2022.

The [Ministry of Civil Service](#) issued Guidelines on the Procedures for Managing the Printing, Validation, and Use of Civil Servants' ID Cards, dated November 15, 2022.

The [Ministry of Economy and Finance](#), and the [Ministry of Health](#) issued an Inter-ministerial Prakas on the Collection of Treatment Fees for Monkeypox Foreign Patients in Public Hospitals, dated October 21, 2022.

The [Ministry of Economy and Finance](#) has issued a Proclamation on the Official Exchange Rate for the Collection of Tax Revenue, Non-tax Revenue, and Foreign Currency Payments, dated November 2, 2022.

To view more policy updates, please visit: <http://policypulse.org/policy-inventory>



COVID-19 Response Updates

The [Ministry of Health](#) issued a Guideline on the Prevention of Transmission of COVID -19 during the 2023 New Year, dated December 5, 2022.

The [Ministry of Health](#) issued a Notification on the Revision of Health Measures for Foreign Travelers, dated October 5, 2022.

Please visit: <https://policypulse.org/ponlok-chomnes/covid19/> to learn more about the Covid-19 Response updates