# KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA

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NorSor/RorKorTor/0515/403

## **ROYAL DECREE**

ON

# THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

I, the undersigned,

Preah Karuna Preahbat Preahboromneat Norodom Sihamuni Samanaphoumicheatsasna Rokhakheteiya Khemarareas Puthintreathoreamohaksat Khemreachana Smuhopheas Kampuekreachboranasonte Supheakmonkolea Sereivibola Khemarasreipireas Preahchaokrongkmjpucheathipatei

#### Pursuant to:

- The Constitution of the Kingdom of Cambodia
- The Royal Decree No. NorSor/RorKorTor/0913/903 dated 24 September, 2013 on the Appointment of the Royal Government of Cambodia;
- The Royal Decree No. NorSor/RorKorTor/1213/ 1393 dated 21st December 2013 on Adjustment and Addition of the Composition of the Royal Government of Cambodia;
- The Royal Kram No. 02/NorSor/94 dated 20 July 1994 promulgating the Law on the Organisation and Functioning of the Council of Ministers;
- The Royal Krom No. NorSor/RorKorMor/0196/21 dated 24 January 1996 on the Establishment of the Ministry of Environment;
- The Royal Kram No. NorSor/RorKorMor/12961/36 dated 24 December 1996 promulgating the Law on Environmental Protection and Natural Resource Management;
- The Royal Kram No. NorSor/RorKorMor/0208/006 dated 15<sup>th</sup> February 2008 promulgating the law on Biosafety;
- The Royal Kram NorSor/RorKorMor/0208/007 dated 15<sup>th</sup> February 2008 promulgating the law on Protected Areas;
- The submission by Samdech Akka Maha Sena Padei Techo Hun Sen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia;

# **HEREBY ORDER**

## **CHAPTER I**

#### **General Provisions**

#### Article 1

The National Council for Sustainable Development, with its own acronym "NCSD", is hereby established to promote sustainable development aimed at ensuring economic, environmental, social and cultural balance within the Kingdom of Cambodia.

#### **CHAPTER II**

# Composition of the NCSD

## Article 2

The NCSD shall compose of members as follows:

- 1. Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia Honorary Chair
- 2. Minister of Environment Chair
- 3. A Secretary of State of the Council of Ministers First deputy
- 4. A Secretary of State for Environment Second Deputy
- 5. A Secretary of State for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Member
- 6. A Secretary of State for Mines and Energy Member
- 7. A Secretary of State for Water Resources and Meteorology Member
- 8. A Secretary of State for the Interior Member
- 9. A Secretary of State for National Defense Member
- 10. A Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation Member
- 11. A Secretary of State for Economy and Finance Member
- 12. A Secretary of State for Rural Development Member
- 13. A Secretary of State for Commerce Member
- 14. A Secretary of State for Industry and Handicrafts Member
- 15. A Secretary of State for Planning Member
- 16. A Secretary of State for Education, Youth and Sports Member
- 17. A Secretary of State for Social Affairs, Veterans and Youth Rehabilitation Member
- 18. A Secretary of State for Land Management, Urban Planning and Construction Member
- 19. A Secretary of State for Information Member
- 20. A Secretary of State for Justice Member
- 21. A Secretary of State for National Assembly-Senate Relations and Inspection Member

- 22. A Secretary of State for Post and Telecommunications Member
- 23. A Secretary of State for Health Member
- 24. A Secretary of State for Public Works and Transport Member
- 25. A Secretary of State for Culture and Fine Arts Member
- 26. A Secretary of State for Tourism Member
- 27. A Secretary of State for Cults and Religion Member
- 28. A Secretary of State for Women's Affairs Member
- 29. A Secretary of State for Labour and Vocational Training Member
- 30. A Secretary of State for Public Functions Member
- 31. Secretary General of the Supreme National Economic Council Member
- 32. Secretary General of the Council for the Development of Cambodia Member
- 33. Secretary General of the National Committee for Sub-national Democratic Development Member
- 34. Secretary General of the Agricultural and Rural Development Council Member
- 35. Secretary General of the National Committee for Disaster Management Member
- 36. Governors of the Capital-Provincial Governing Boards Member
- 37. Secretary General of the Cambodian National Mekong Committee Member
- 38. Secretary General of the NCSD Member

#### **CHAPTER III**

# Roles and duties of the NCSD

# Article 3

The NCSD shall have roles and duties as follows:

- Formulating, directing, and evaluating policies, strategic plans, action plans, legal instruments, programmes and projects related to sustainable development;
- Promoting the mainstreaming of sustainable development into relevant policies, legal instruments, strategic plans, action plans, programmes and projects in collaboration with relevant line ministries and agencies;
- Mobilising resources for implementation of policies, legal instruments, strategic plans, action plans, programmes and projects related to sustainable development;
- Establishing and fostering partnerships with development partners, private sector, academia, and other relevant stakeholders aimed at supporting sustainable development;
- Encouraging and promoting research study, education, training, exchange of technologies and dissemination relevant to sustainable development;

- Proposing national positions and strategies for participating in international agreements, meetings and negotiations relevant to sustainable development;
- Reviewing and giving approval on national communications under the multilateral environmental agreements to which Cambodia is a party;
- Managing government information and communications relevant to sustainable development;
- Leading, managing and facilitating the works related to green economy, climate change, biodiversity conservation and biosafety; and
- Implementing any other duties assigned to it by the Royal Government of Cambodia.

#### **CHAPTER IV**

# The functioning of the NCSD

#### Article 4

The NCSD may convene for meeting at least once a year on invitation by chairperson or his authorised deputy. The NCSD Chairperson may, as necessary, invite representatives from ministries or agencies, technical officials, experts or private sector to participate in consultation and research study on issues related to duties of the Council.

Where the chairperson is not available, a deputy may chair the meeting of the NCSD as authorised by the chairperson.

# Article 5

The NCSD shall have an Executive Committee with members as follows:

- Minister of Environment Chairperson
- A Secretary of State for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries First Deputy
- A Secretary of State for Environment Second Deputy
- A Secretary of State for Mines and Energy Member
- A Secretary of State for Water Resources and Meteorology Member
- A Secretary of State for the Interior Member
- A Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation Member
- A Secretary of State for Economy and Finance Member
- A Secretary of State for Industry and Handicrafts Member
- A Secretary of State for Land Management, Urban Planning and Construction Member
- A Secretary of State for Public Work and Transport Member
- Secretary General of the NCSD Permanent Member.

The actual members to the Executive Committee shall be defined by a government decision.

#### Article 6

The Executive Committee of NCSD shall convene for meeting to review and consolidate performance and report to the NCSD at least once in every quarter.

## Article 7

Modality and procedure for NCSD and the Executive Committee operation shall be defined by an internal regulation of the NCSD.

## **Article 8**

The NCSD may establish committee(s), working group(s), expert group(s) or other mechanisms for specific sectors of work as required.

## Article 9

The NCSD may have technical advisor(s), national or international expert(s) as required.

## Article 10

The NCSD shall have a general secretariat as its office for daily operation and shall be housed at the Ministry of Environment.

NCSD Secretariat shall be led by a Secretary General who shall be assisted by deputies as required and shall be appointed by a Royal Decree or a Sub-decree.

The establishment and functioning of the NCSD Secretariat shall be defined by a sub-decree.

## **Article 11**

The NCSD shall have authority to use its own logo and seal.

#### **CHAPTER V**

# Resources

# Article 12

The NCSD shall have its separate budget as an annex to the budget for the Ministry of Environment.

The NCSD shall have authority to receive, manage and use funds from various sources to perform its functions in accordance with legal procedure in force.

## **CHAPTER VI**

# **Final Provisions**

# Article 13

The Royal Decree No. NorSor/RorKorTor/1012/925 dated 12<sup>th</sup> October 2012, on the Organisation and Functioning of the National Council on Green Growth and other provisions contradict to the provisions in the sub-decree shall be considered null and void.

#### Article 14

Samdech Aka Moha Sena Padei Techo Hun Sen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia shall ensure effective implementation of this Royal Decree from the date of this signature.

Done in Phnom Penh, 9th May 2015

His Majesty the King [Signed]

Royal signature and Seal NORODOM SIHAMONI

PorRorLor 1505.406 Having submitted to His Majesty for Royal Signature Prime Minister

Samdech Aka Moha Sena Padei Techo Hun Sen

No. 442 SorNor Attested true copy "for distribution" Done in Phnom Penh, 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015 Secretary General of the Government

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