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Greetings from the Cambodia Climate Change Alliance (CCCA)/ Department of Climate Change (DCC)

Dear Readers,

We are pleased to share with you our October - December 2022 E-Bulletin. We intend to bring this email to you every quarter to keep you updated on the climate change-related events and achievements of the Department of Climate Change and the partners.

Wishing you all the best for the coming months. Reach out to us with any updates; we are counting on you, to join us as a regular or occasional contributor – the voices from the ground are essential to this E-bulletin's success and our work as climate change practitioners.

Kind Regards, DCC team

CLIMATE CHANGE RELATED NEWS

National Statement at the COP27 delivered by H.E. Mr. Say Samal



H.E. Mr. Say Samal, Minister of Environment delivered the national statement at the 27th Conference of the Parties of the UNFCCC (COP27) in Sharm EI- Sheikh, Egypt, on 15th November 2022. He noted that peace, political stability, and sustainable economic growth over the last two decades have embarked Cambodia towards an upper-middle income country. This has also opened new opportunities for the country to address climate change as a responsible member of the international community. At the same time, Cambodia remains highly vulnerable to the impacts of climate change, and it is important not to lose sight of the urgent actions needed to address the climate crisis. Cambodia believes that (1) mitigation ambition must be further increased, and (2) actions on adaptation need to be accelerated. The USD100 billion per year commitment in climate finance to developing countries has not yet been reached and must be a top priority. As the 2022 ASEAN Chair, Cambodia initiated 'ASEAN Green Deal' and presented the ASEAN Joint Statement on Climate Change.

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Training on the Prevention of and Response to Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation and Abuse for the DCC/CCCA3

The training on the Prevention of and Response to Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation and Abuse to raise awareness and ensure adequate prevention, mitigation, and response measures of sexual harassment and sexual exploitation and abuse for the DCC/CCCA3 took place on 26th December 2022 at Himawari Hotel. The knowledge of sexual harassment, sexual exploitation and abuse was shared, and the participants also had a chance to tell related stories and experiences on the topic. At the end of the training, the perspectives on how to mitigate and prevent these cases in workplaces and communities were discussed.



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KAP3 Publication in Khmer Available Online



In 2021, the DCC with the support of the CCCA3 developed and published the Third Study on Knowledge, Attitudes, and Practices on Climate Change in Cambodia (KAP3) to identify and evaluate changes in knowledge, attitudes, and practices of the public related to climate change and in order to improve the national and sub-national response to the challenges of climate change. The KAP3 portal can be found on the NCSD's website (https://ncsd.moe.gov.kh/dcc/data-portal) and the document in Khmer is available on the website.

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Training Workshop on Implementation Plan of the LTS4CN and NDC / LTS4CN tracking system

On 20th December 2022, the DCC with support of the CCCA3 conducted a training on the LTS4CN Implementation and NDC / LTS4CN tracking system with aim to strengthen the cooperation and capacity of the national focal points on the NDC / LTS4CN tracking and to discuss the key indicators to be included in the system. The training successfully discussed the challenges and cooperation needs of the NDC/LTS4CN tracking. The LTS4CN indicators and actions to be added to the tracing system were selected by the sectoral teams.



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CCCA3 Knowledge Sharing Event 2022



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A New Climate Change Mitigation Project in Cambodia



On 23rd November 2022. **Dr. Hak Mao**, DCC's Director and the DCC/CCCA3 technical met a Korean team led by Mr. Jaeyoung Chang, CEO of Advanced Technology Recovery Inc. The meeting was about the project proposal prepared by the company under the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) on mangrove restoration in Cambodia. A field visit to two possible project sites in Kampot, the Prek Tnaot fishing community and Trapeang Ropov community, was organized.

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NDC implementation in Asia: South-Southeast Learning and Launching of CACCI-ASIA



On 11th November 2022, Dr. Hak Mao, DCC's Director, and DCC staff participated in a forum on "NDC implementation in Asia: South-Southeast Learning and Launching of CACCI-ASIA" organized by the NDC Partnership, USAID IFPRI, and Tajikistan alongside with COP27, Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt. At the event, Dr. Hak Mao shared his experiences about the Cambodian context in the development of national strategic plans and policies in response to climate change, including BUR, NAP, INDC, Updated NDC and LTS4CN including the experiences about the tracking system set up.

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Cambodia Energy Efficiency Competition Closing Ceremony



The Cambodia Energy Efficiency Competition Closing Ceremony was organized on 28th October 2022 at the MoE to reward the participants with the highest annual energy savings. This first ever competition in Cambodia had 22 buildings participating in the competition that lasted for one year and saved an average of almost 10% of energy by promoting behavior change and improving the management of equipment. The competition was not only for reducing buildings' electricity bills, but also improving the understanding of employees on energy use to adopt an energy-efficient culture in the workplaces. This ultimately reduces the overall GHG emissions of the country.

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Workshop on the Roles of Parliament in the Climate Change Action



On 14th October 2022, the MoE, with the support of the National Assembly (N.A.) of Cambodia, organized a workshop on the roles of parliament in climate action. At the workshop, a wide range of information and data were shared on the current situation in terms of climate change, including the latest information on the state of the environmental and the REDD+ programme. This was a special occasion to strengthen the relationships between the MoE and Parliament and gather inputs and comments for the Climate Change Handbook for Parliament under development.

ASEAN Green Deal to Contribute to Helping ASEAN towards a Sustainable

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"ASEAN Green deal aims to guide ASEAN towards a sustainable green future," said Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN SEN, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia. As the 2022 Chair of ASEAN, and in order to climate natural address change, disasters and environmental degradation, Cambodia has initiated the "ASEAN Green Deal" aiming to guide ASEAN towards a green, low-carbon, and sustainable future.

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Short videos on climate for kids, youth and elders (Part one)

The DCC with support from CCCA3 developed three short videos on climate for kids, youth and elders. These videos were uploaded to the NCSD's website and YouTube. The video aims to improve the knowledge and awareness of Cambodians on climate change and its related discipline and transfer the knowledge into real practices through learning and implmentation of environmental friendly activities (Click below).



Case Study: Advancing gender equality through climate action

A project, "Scale pilots to accelerate the uptake of efficient electric cooking appliances to mitigate climate impacts avoided deforestation through and reduced emissions" supported by CCCA3 provided modern cooking services to Cambodian households and tested ATEC's electric cooking appliances through a sales and distribution chain of iDE's MECS micro enterprise in 2021 and 2022. The project also studied the cooking experience of its customers to assess the benefits from the switch from biomass/LPG stoves to electric stoves. At the end of the pilot project, 268 out of 1,167 household representatives from 42 villages decided to purchase the electric cookstove and use the payment plan provided to cover the cost of it.

A switch to an electric stove can also reduce women's domestic workload and shorten the time spent on household tasks that may not change the division of the tasks between women and men in Cambodian households, but it enables women to spend the time saved from cooking and other household tasks to participate in labor market, decision making and education activities.

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Case Study: Weed Management and Water Shortage Solutions for Pepper Plantation - Case Study of Farmer Nutt Phi



Nutt Phi is a farmer who lives in Memong village, Memot district, Tbong Khmum province. He is 48 years old and earns his living by cultivating plantations, growing various crops including rice, cashews, rubber, and pepper that he has so far planted for a total of 1.400 poles. Through his 6-year pepper cultivation experience, he shares pepper management challenges encountered on the farm. During the first year of the cover crop practice, Nutt Phi noticed that the new practices helped to reduce water usage in the dry season. The soil stays moist for a longer time period when it is covered with cover crops, and farm irrigation can be reduced to one to two times a week with less water.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

15 FEB 2023	Consultation Workshop on the Project Implementation Plan of the BTR1
17 MAR 2023	Awareness Raising Workshop on Climate Change and Religions
MAR 2023	Awarding Ceremony of Painting on Climate Change for Kids and Youths
MAR 2023	CCCA3 Programme Executive Board (PEB) Meeting
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