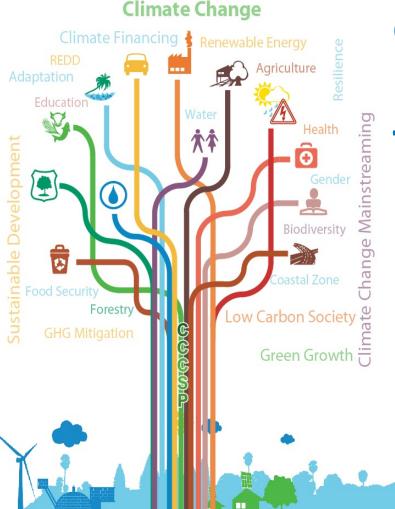
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## Climate Change Response in the Coastal Zone, Tourism

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- Overview of tourism industry growth in Cambodia
- The Impact of Climate Change
- How tourism can contribute
- Toward climate change response in Tourism
- Tourism policy and strategy
- Experience for Climate Change Response in the Coastal Zone, Tourism
- Conclusion







## in Cambodia

**1.Tourism Facilities** 1/ The Number of Accommodations: Hotel : 478 ; Guesthouse :1315 2/ Travel Agencies ; Head: 457 and Branch: 121 3/Tour Guide: 3943; 4/Restaurant: 1115 6/The Airlines Service: 03 Domestic & 23 International 7/ Massages : 200; 8/ Beer Garden: 117; 9/Casino: 51; 10/Disco: 89; 11/ Karaoke: 454; 12/ Site & resort : 310; 13/ Sporting club: 27; 14/Transportation mode: Bus: 594; Taxi: 488; Moto: 750; Airport: 5; Boat: 422







- 2013 (Jan-May) International Tourist Arrivals 1.7M
- 2012 International Tourist Arrivals 3.5; 1M of Cambodia outbound and 7, 8 M of domestic tourist.
- 2012 Tourist Arrivals to Costal zone 2.1M (Khmer & foreigner)
- Kep 2012: 757, 191 (foreigner 38, 343); 2013(10 months)=417; 242; (foreigner=37,983).
- Kom Pot:1.06 M (foreigner =100, 000); 10 months of year 2013;
- Preah Sihanouk:765, 023(foreigner 227, 000); 9 months of year 2013
- Koh Kong 2013: domestic Tourist=83,795 and foreigner=43495 (9 months)
- Total income from international Tourist US\$ 2.2BL.(2012)







- The area rich of the unique marine life, pristine beaches, and coral reefs around the 64 offshore islands, and discover the many natural treasures along the 435 km coastline.
- Over 70 coral species are found in Cambodian waters.
- The mangroves are spread along the coast from Kep to Koh Kong.
- The Peam Krasop Wildlife Sanctuary and Botum Sakor; National Park at Koh Kong and Ream National Park near Sihanoukville offer the visitor unique flora and fauna.







- The climate change and extreme weather have intensified the occurrence of:
- Natural disasters
- Sea-level rise
- Flood
- Landslides

- Coastal and land erosion
- Drought
- Forest fires
- Haze

The occurrence have impacted human safety and health, threatened the fabric of the nation's economy and caused changes to natural and built landscapes.





Physical Changes	Impact on Environment	Impact on Tourism
Warmer Temperatures	Coral bleaching	Degrading of tourism attraction
	Migration disrupted	Difficulties for animal watching (to see target)
	Species loss	
Less predictable season	Failure of crop harvesting	Difficulties for animal/flora watching (to find target)
	more frequent violent weather events	Special infrastructure and procedures demanded (for evacuation and more safety assurance)





## **III-How tourism can contribute**



- Develop Sustainable tourism policy at all level Needs additional principle and indicators.
- Act immediately at all levels: regional, country, province, district, destination.
- Develop Partnership scheme/models in managing destination
- Campaign and Educate Market- tourism has an important education role.







## Destination

- Demonstrate a clear response to climate change issues within the industry and other related stakeholder;
- Enlarge possibilities for partnership;
- Monitor consumer needs;
- Raise awareness.
- Products
  - Makes innovative products
  - Encourage partnership in product development



## IV-Toward Climate Change Response in Tourism



- Number of Protected Area 23 (7 national Parks; 10 wildlife sanctuaries; 3 protected landscapes and 3 multiple used areas); total area: 47,845 km<sup>2</sup>.
- There are 56 CBET has been classified as the list sites in Cambodia.
- There are 11 model tourism communities in charge to protection natural resources.





## IV-Toward Climate Change Response in Tourism (con't)



- Since 2007; there are 7 Ecotourism and Communities Development Model; which subsidized by MOT and ADB through MTDP at the north provinces of Cambodia;
- There are 4 Ecotourism and Communities Development Model; which subsidized and implementing by MOT; UNWTO and SNV at the north provinces of Cambodia.
- There are two communities model; which operating & providing fund by Wildlife Alliance and coordination with MOT and located at Costal zone and Cardamom Mountain.

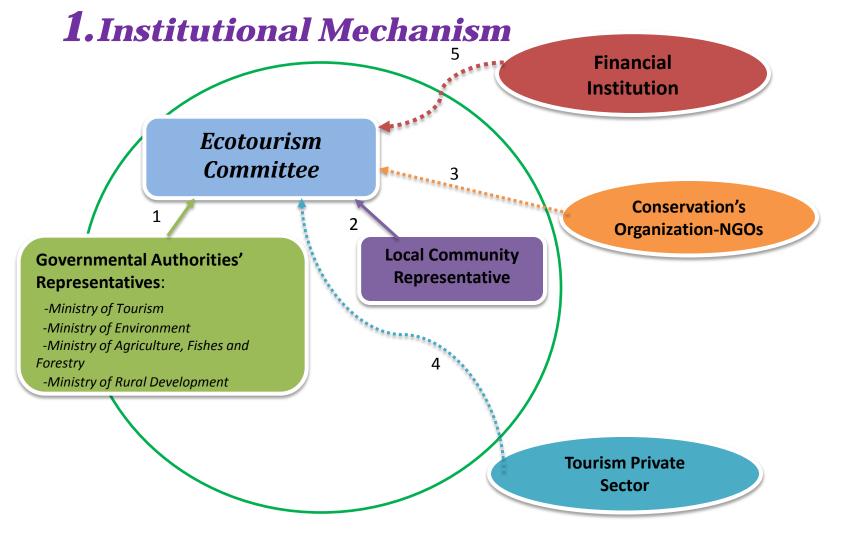






## V-Tourism Policy and Strategy









# 2.Action for Climate Change Response in CARE Tourism

- Ecotourism Development
- Clean city contest
- One tourist one tree
- Plastic back management
- Coastal zone management



- Green Hotel/ Green Home Stay
- Green Guest House/ Green Resort and
- Green Restaurant





## VI- Experience for Climate Change Response in the Coastal Zone, Tourism"

Experience True Khmer Lifestyle; the Khmer village home-stay is unique community-based tourism which captures the essence of village life in the heartland of Cambodia.





## VI- Experience for Climate Change Response in the Coastal Zone, Tourism" (con't)



- Sailing / Paragliding at Sihanoukville
- Exploring the mountain caves at Phnom Chngok,
- Visiting Teuk Chu Waterfall,
- Trekking in Bokor National Park,
- Boating at the mangrove forests in Ream National Park,
- Relaxing on Koh Tonsay, Kep
- Enjoying the pristine

beaches of Koh -Rong, Sihanoukville

Discovering the islands of Koh Kong Dolphin spotting at Ream National Park,





**VI- Experience for Climate Change Response** 



in the Coastal Zone, Tourism" con't"

## Small scale products & products recycle

- •Ox-cart ride
- Visit Khmer village/ home stay
- •Visit Floating & fishing villages
- Visit flooded forest
- •Visit bird watching
- •Visit Great Tonle Sap Lake
- •Tourism adventure
- •Paddy field
- •Products recycle....







### **Tonle Sap Lake; Tourism & Biodiversity**



The Tonlé Sap – a Large Freshwater River and translated as "Great Lake" – is an ecological hotspot that was designated as a UNESCO biosphere in 1997.

Today MOT and UNESCO & Queensland University work very closely with lines ministries in order to initiative of tourism community in the area.







#### **Prèk Toal**



Birds sanctuary-offer for tourist visiting in an area







#### Water bird in Great Lake



#### Floating house in the Great Lake









## **Buffalo or Ox cart**

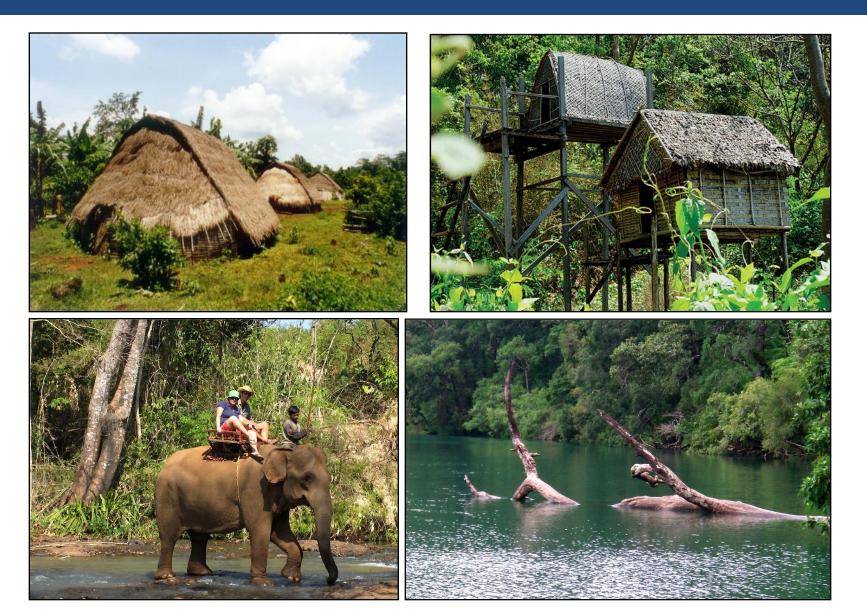


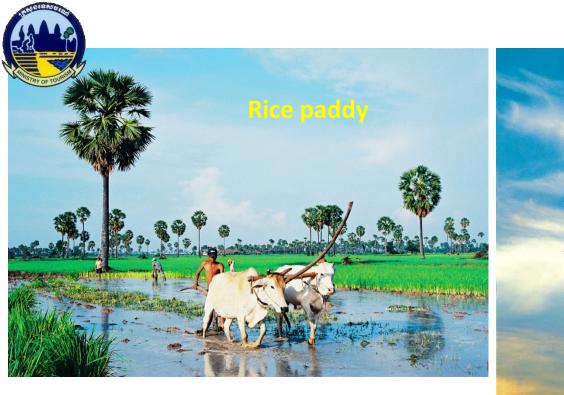




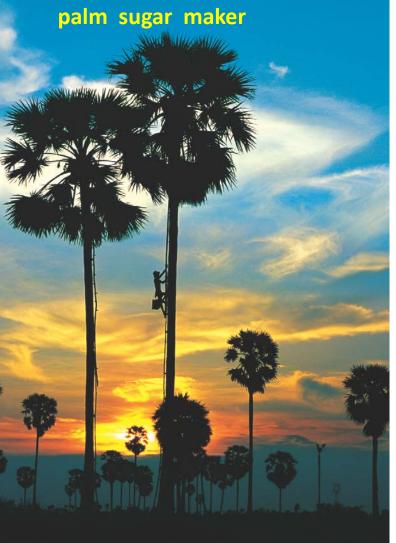


### **Eco-Tourism & the Adventure**











## **Recycle products**











I'm Green! I'm Green! I'm Green!



## **One Tourist One Tree**





Social activities: Tree Planting



## **VII-conclusion**



#### Private Sector

- Tour Operator
- Accommodation Operation
- Promotion

## **Community or Community Group Government**

- Guide
- Accommodation Operationhome stay
- Manage conservation activities
   as attraction
- NGOs; Cooperation
- Facilitating between publicprivate community

- Research, i.e . development new business model
- campaign or awareness raising on conservation
- Develop policy on conservation & tourism at conservation areas
- Conservation activities
- Destination management
  - Promotion
  - Research







The Climate Change Response in Tourism should be focus to:
Green Growth Policy (GG);
Green Tourism Standard (GTS);
Community Based Ecotourism (CBET).





## Thank You !

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