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## Rector's Message Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University



he founder of the Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University would wish to give a vision and spirit based on the Buddha's teachings in order to set up a culture of peace, and a humanist, tolerant and harmonious mind in the present society. The enforcement of the Blessed One's teachings through higher education will facilitate understanding, solidarity and compassion between men and women in the same society. It will also spread more tolerant and friendly relations among all peoples.

The first aim of the Buddhist University is to allow the elaboration of a new tank of the best human resources, well-educated as well as in general training and the technical capacities than in the knowledge of the Buddhist principles and values. Its principle will also be the preservation of Buddhism, and Khmer cultures and traditions, providing necessary intellectual foundations for development of the modern Khmer society.

Being aware of the huge needs of the country, the Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University takes part strongly in the noble mission of the reconstruction and intellectual rebirth in the near future which the country needs. It has the will and capability to participate in this reconstruction, and it is able to train and to provide human resources, educated in the sufficient knowledge as well as in the fields of the Buddhist spiritual sciences than in the fields of the most modern technologies.

It will be a good asset to allow our younger generations to acquire adequate capabilities to face new challenges, and the complexity of the actual world and to understand the role of their country in this world. The younger generations will have the intellectual, spiritual and technical means in order to assure the continuity and the radiance of our culture, our civilization, and also the development of the economic potentials of the country to fight poverty.

#### Messages from H.E. Ngoun Sdechpheakdey

Secretary of State Ministry of cults and religion in charge of Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University



reah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University is a public university that gives 100% 4 years scholarship to all students from every corner in Cambodia. With this scholarship, we highly commit to offer higher education that bring hopes for all students, hope to graduate their degree with high knowledge, hope to get a well-paid job for family support, hope to have opportunity among other educated and hope to bring dignity for themselves and society within 3 main core values "Mercy, Consciousness and Intelligence".

Our vision statement is "Enriching high potential human resource for social security, order and economic growth with prestige, dignity and trust both local and international".

We, PSB University, are the hopes of all education seekers who are willing to accept our international educational agenda under the direct supervision and visions of the Rector of PSB University. Following to our vision we have accomplished a lot of successes either in local and international stages. One of the remarkable achievements is becoming an official member of International Association of Universities (IAU); and through that, PSB University becomes more and more advance in academic performance. Regarding to these, PSB University commits to provide good quality of education that apply to current and future global demands through developing our education system, teaching capacity, learning atmospheres and international education partnership.

To overcome this, we are building and upgrading our campus with modern facilities in which faculty members and students can develop and dedicate themselves to education and research at a global level. Also, with our endeavor to build the best in both education and research, it is very important that we adopt a student-centered approach to education to better meet our student's needs and expectations.

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## "The Celebration of Planting Peacock Trees for Tranquility and Greenery of the Countryside, Trapeang Pring Commune"



On the morning of Monday, June 30, 2025, His Excellency Nguon Sdechpeakdey, Chief of Working Group supporting to Trapeang Pring Commune, representing His Holiness Samdech Preah Mahasangharajah Bour Kry, and as assigned by His Excellency Dr. Chay Borin, Chief of the Royal Government Working Group supporting to Dambae District, led a delegation comprising His Excellency Khan Khon, Deputy Chief; Lok Chumteav Teav Bunchenda, Deputy Chief; Mr. Khim Darath, Deputy Head; and other Excellencies, Ladies, and Gentlemen who are members, representatives from the district administration, local authorities, the Union of Youth Federations of Cambodia (UYFC) working group, Red Cross youth, students from Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University, and residents from all 12 villages of Trapeang Pring Commune. Together, they planted an additional 500 peacock trees for the second time, bringing the total to 1,000 trees planted along both sides of the concrete road from National Road 73 towards the Trapeang Pring Commune Hall, within Trapeang Pring Commune, Dambae District, Tbong Khmum Province. This initiative aims to enhance the beauty of the commune and provide green

shade for the community, in line with the Royal Government of Cambodia's local development and environmental protection policies under the wise and comprehensive leadership of Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei Hun Manet, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia.

On that morning, at Trapeang Pring Pagoda, His Excellency Nguon Sdechpeakdey, Head of Working Group supporting to Trapeang Pring Commune, engaged in a discussion with deputy heads, members, UYFC youth, Red Cross youth, students from Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University, and all residents from the 12 villages of Trapeang Pring Commune who participated in the tree planting. The objective of this discussion was to encourage further tree planting within the villages and communes to enhance their aesthetic appeal, create green spaces in the community, and improve the natural environment, especially during a time when the world is facing climate change and deforestation. On this occasion, His Excellency Ngoun Sdechpheakdey urged all Cambodian citizens to foster love, unity, and solidarity, irrespective of political affiliation or religion, emphasizing that "we are all Khmers, all brothers and sisters sharing the same Khmer blood." Furthermore, He highlighted the Trapeang Pring Commune Working Group's campaign to prioritize education development in Trapeang Pring Commune, which involves two phases: the first phase is establishing English language training classes at Trapeang Pring Community School, and the second phase is establishing English language training classes at Banghaeur Khlaeng Community School. These initiatives aim to develop human capital, aligning with the Royal Government of Cambodia's seventh mandate's key priority policy to boost the economy towards achieving Cambodia's goals by 2030 and transforming Cambodia into a high-income country by 2050. Additionally, His Excellency Ngoun Sdechpheakdey stressed the importance for all residents of Trapeang Pring Commune to foster love, care, support, kindness, and compassion for one another, thereby contributing to a community where all live in goodness and peace, both physically and mentally, as He stated: "Live to be loved, die to be mourned." Concurrently, donations were made to support the peacock tree planting activity in Trapeang Pring Commune by:

- His Excellency Nguon Sdechpakdey, Head of Working Group supporting to Trapeang Pring Commune: 300 shirts valued at 4,800,000 Riel, plus 3,600,000 Riel in cash, totaling 8,400,000 Riel.
- 2. His Excellency Khan Khon, Deputy Head: 500,000 Riel in cash.
- 3. Lok Chumteav Oknha Teav Bunchenda, Deputy Head: 300 shirts valued at 4,800,000 Riel.
- 4. Mr. Kann Sokhom, Deputy Head: 200,000 Riel in cash.
- 5. Mr. Khim Darath, Deputy Head: 1,000,000 Riel in cash.
- 6. Mr. Sean Bory, Member: 500,000 Riel in cash.

The total expenditure amounted to 15,400,000 Riel. It should be noted that the peacock tree planting activities in Trapeang Pring Commune, led by His Excellency Nguon Sdechpeakdey, Head of Working Group for Trapeang Pring Commune, under the theme "Peace, the Green Rural Beauty of Trapeang Pring Commune," have been conducted twice. The first occasion involved planting 300 peacock trees, and the second involved planting 500 peacock trees along both sides of the concrete road from National Road 73 towards Trapeang Pring Commune Hall, to enhance the beauty of the villages and commune and provide green shade for the community.

Following the discussion, His Excellency Nguon Sdechpeakdey took a commemorative photo and led the working group and all participating residents to plant 500 peacock trees along both sides of the concrete road from National Road 73 towards Trapeang Pring Commune Hall, within Trapeang Pring Commune, Thma Baing District, Tboung Khmum Province.



Subsequently, His Excellency Nguon Sdachpakdey, Head of Working Group supporting to Trapeang Pring Commune, together with His Excellency Dr. Khan Khon, President of the Christian Association in Peace and Relevant Expeditions, led deputy heads, and other Excellencies, Ladies, and Gentlemen who are members, representatives from the district administration, local authorities, the UYFC youth working group, Red Cross youth, and students from Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University, to hand over a house measuring 4 meters x 5 meters with a 3-meter front awning. The house was furnished with items such as a mattress, pillows, bolster pillow, blanket, wardrobe, hangers, bed, and mosquito net, to a widowed woman raising orphaned and vulnerable grandchildren who lacked the means to build a proper home. This initiative aimed to alleviate her burden and improve her living conditions, totaling USD \$3,500 in aid, generously supported by Joyce Meyer Ministries (Hand of Hope).

On the afternoon of the same day, His Excellency Nguon Sdechpeakdey, Head of Working Group supporting to Trapeang Pring Commune, led His Excellency Khan Khon, Deputy Head; Lok Chumteav Teav Bunchenda, Deputy Head; Mr. Khim Darath, Deputy Head; and other Excellencies, Ladies, and Gentlemen who are members, representatives from the district administration, and local authorities, to visit teachers at Banghaeur Khlaeng Community Pre-school. They donated five student desks and one blackboard, totaling 900,000 Riel. Furthermore, they pledged to mobilize philanthropists, Excellencies, Ladies, and Gentlemen who are members of the Working Group for Trapeang Pring Commune, to provide financial or material support for Banghaeur Khlaeng Community Pre-school to meet its training needs and provide convenience for teachers and students in teaching and learning comfortably and to a high standard. This effort aims to contribute to reducing illiteracy, alleviating poverty, promoting education, and fostering human capital growth, in line with the Royal Government of Cambodia's first key priority policy under the seventh mandate, led by Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei Hun Manet, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia.

In conclusion, His Excellency Nguon Sdechpeakdey, Head of Working Group supporting Trapeang Pring Commune, and the working group pledged to continue providing assistance to all schools in need and to mobilize philanthropists to offer financial or material support to underprivileged schools as required.

## **Event on "Business Idea Model Competition 2025**

In the morning of Friday, July 4, 2025, under the appointment of His Excellency Ngoun Sdechpheakdey, Secretary of State in charge of Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University, Mr. Khim Darath, Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Kong Sophy, and Mr. San Sithorn, members of the Entrepreneurship Project of Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University, led students to participate in a training program on entrepreneurship and the Business Idea Model Competition 2025. This



event was organized by Khmer Enterprise at Cam Tech University under the project titled "UNIPRENEUR PROGRAM SEASON 3", lasting for three days, from July 4 to 6.

On the Occasion of the Event at the outset of the event, the speaker introduced himself and had a friendly interaction with all the students who were invited to participate in the Business Idea Model Competition 2025, organized by Khmer Enterprise. The program created a platform for students from various universities to gather, exchange ideas and perspectives, build connections, and learn about the processes of generating business ideas and different methods for starting a business. In this context, students from Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University also took part in the entrepreneurship training and the Business Idea Model Competition 2025,

held at Cam Tech University under the project "UNIPRENEUR PROGRAM SEASON 3." During the first two days, the keynote speaker, Mr. Sum Sirey, conducted a comprehensive entrepreneurship training session for all students. The training covered topics such as how to create a business idea model, various strategies to run a business, planning, identifying common societal problems, and finding solutions. He particularly emphasized that entrepreneurs should view problems as opportunities that can lead to profitable outcomes—unlike many people who face problems but fail to solve them. In those two days, students also had afternoon practice sessions, where they delivered presentations in front of a panel of judges. This served as a practical rehearsal and a chance to receive constructive feedback for improvement. From Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University, five student teams composed of 25 members participated, each developing different business project

ideas such as:

- 1. PSBU Scholarship Center (FFF)
- 2. Kunthamm (Natural & Bright)
- 3. Promo Advertising (PSBU Illuminator)
- 4. Pizza Kon Khmer (F5)
- 5. Khmer Palm Sugar House (Brown Team)











On the third day of the program, the SEMI-FINAL PITCHING round of the "Business Idea Model Competition 2025" took place, during which the top six finalist teams were selected. Students from Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University actively participated in this round by confidently presenting their business ideas to the panel of judges, demonstrating strong teamwork and a high sense of responsibility. In this round, each team was given 5 minutes for their presentation and another 5 minutes for the Q&A session. Later that afternoon, Khmer Enterprise officially announced the six semi-finalist teams, which were:

- 1. Tokatot
- 2. Brainstorm
- 3. Uniguide
- 4. Thermotech
- 5. Teat
- 6. Sbosby

Following this, another elimination round was held to determine the top 3 finalist teams. all six semi-finalist teams presented their pitches live on stage in front of the judges and all participating students. as a result, three teams were selected as the final winners:

- 1. Tukatot 1st Place, awarded a cash prize of 8,000,000 Riels
- 2. Uniguide- 2nd Place, awarded a cash prize of 6,000,000 Riels
- 3. Sbosbay 3rd Place, awarded a cash prize of 4,000,000 Riels

It is important to note that the "UNIPRENEUR PROGRAM SEASON 3" is not the first time this initiative has been conducted. Up to now, the program has already been held for three consecutive seasons.

In conclusion, the closing remarks of the program were delivered by Mr. Thierry Tea, Vice Chairman of the Federation of Cambodia Startups, Vice President of OCIC, and Member of the Board of Directors at Cam Tech University, together with Mr. Kong Somphy Vatanak, Senior Market and Funding Manager. They warmly welcomed and engaged in conversation with all participating students, expressing admiration for their creativity, and encouraging them to continue developing themselves in this era of rapid technological advancement and global progress. Following that, prizes were presented to the top three winning teams, and a group photo was taken with all student participants as a memories and testimony of their involvement in the "UNIPRENEUR PROGRAM SEASON 3", organized by Khmer Enterprise.

#### Hosts Workshop on "Engaging in a Connected World"

On the morning of Saturday, July 5, 2025, Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University held a two-day workshop titled "Engaging in a Connected World." The insightful sessions were led by the esteemed guest speaker, Professor Dr. Johan Van Rooyen, and ran from July 5th to 6th.





During the workshop, Professor Dr. Van Rooyen delved into the multifaceted aspects of global engagement. He emphasized the crucial role of individual life goals, the vital importance of English as a tool for international communication, and the broader significance of fostering international connections. He also highlighted how advancements in technology are making it easier than ever to build social ties. Beyond these core topics, Professor Dr. Van Rooyen shared his expertise on global citizenship, its inherent value, and the principles of human rights and global justice. He also explored the nuances of intercultural communication and the imperative of pursuing sustainable development goals, ultimately enriching the participants' understanding.

Notably, Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University plans to host similar workshops every weekend, featuring presentations by other renowned international speakers. These ongoing opportunities will empower monastic students, regular students, and anyone interested to enhance their skills, expand their knowledge, forge new connections, and significantly improve their English language proficiency.

By the end of the two-day workshop, all participants expressed their delight and engagement. They left with newfound knowledge and valuable experiences, equipped with practical skills they can readily apply in their daily lives.



#### Hosts Capacity Development Program to Cultivate Next-Generation Leaders



Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University (PSBU) successfully concluded a dynamic two-day "Capacity Development Training Program for Young Professionals" on July 12 and 13, 2025. The program, held at the PSBU campus, was part of the university's ongoing "Self Efficacy for Next Gen Leader Series" and was designed to equip Cambodia's emerging leaders with critical 21st-century skills. The intensive training featured sessions from two distinguished experts:



- Prof. Chuntanee Tienvichit led the "Communication Skills Series," focusing on impactful, clear, and empathetic communication strategies for the modern workplace.
- Prof. Seri Kantajai conducted the "Leadership & Self-Awareness Series," guiding participants to explore foundational leadership qualities, emotional intelligence, and the importance of self-reflection in effective management. This initiative directly aligns with PSBU's commitment to supporting the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

(SDGs). By empowering young professionals, the university is making a tangible contribution to:

- SDG 4 (Quality Education): Providing accessible, inclusive, and relevant lifelong learning opportunities that equip youth and adults with skills for employment and decent work.
- SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth): Enhancing the capabilities of the Cambodian workforce, thereby promoting productive employment and building a foundation for sustainable economic growth.
- SDG 16 (Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions): Cultivating a generation of ethical, self-aware, and effective



communicators who can build and lead strong, accountable, and inclusive institutions. A university spokesperson stated, "At PSBU, we believe that true leadership begins with inner development. By combining modern professional skills with timeless principles of mindfulness and self-awareness, we are preparing our young people to not only succeed in their careers but to contribute positively to our society and the global goals." The program received overwhelmingly positive feedback from participants, who commended its practical approach and transformative insights.



#### **Advances Sustainable Development Goals Initiative**



On July 14, 2025 – Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University hosted a pivotal meeting today at its Postgraduate School, focusing on strategies for advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The session was spearheaded by Dr. Karl Meneghella, International Advisor to the university, and featured key contributions from Mr. Khim Darath, Head of the Office of International Relations, and Mr. Sean Bory, Head of the Academic Office, along with other officials from the Office of International Relations.

During the meeting, Dr. Meneghella delivered a comprehensive presentation on the SDGs, meticulously detailing their definitions and objectives. He proudly noted that Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University is already recognized among the top 200 in the Impact Ranking for SDG1: No Poverty. Building on this success, Dr. Meneghella's core message was to inspire all university departments to actively engage in achieving the remaining 16 SDGs. He provided actionable strategies, emphasizing the importance of teamwork within SDG-focused groups, effective data collection and planning, fostering a culture of taking breaks and seizing opportunities, and implementing robust integration methods.

Following Dr. Meneghella's insights, Mr. Khim Darath delivered an impassioned address, urging all team members to approach their work with enthusiasm, determination, and a strong spirit. He stressed the need for continuous self-development to enhance capabilities, strengthen operations, and elevate work activities. This concerted effort, he explained, is crucial for realizing the university's strategic objectives.

The meeting concluded with a strong sense of purpose. All team members expressed their satisfaction and readily accepted their new assignments, prepared to fulfill their duties and contribute to the university's ongoing commitment to sustainable development.







#### Training Program on "Effective Time Management"



On Saturday, July 19, 2025, Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University (PSBU) successfully organized a comprehensive training program on "Effective Time Management." The event welcomed students from various universities, with a special focus on PSBU students pursuing higher education at the associate, bachelor's, master's, and doctoral levels.

The session was led by Mr. Kraisar Galitwala, a distinguished trainer and expert in time management and human resource development. The primary objective of the program was to enhance students' capacity in managing their time effectively a critical skill in achieving both academic and personal success.

Mr. Galitwala shared practical strategies and personal experiences, focusing on key techniques such as task prioritization, daily scheduling, workflow preparation, and maintaining concentration when completing tasks. The session was highly interactive, with students actively participating through thoughtful questions and sharing personal experiences related to time management. The trainer offered actionable solutions that students could implement confidently and effectively in their daily routines.

This training provided essential knowledge to help participants strengthen their study habits, improve productivity, and balance academic responsibilities with social and personal life.

In addition to this, PSBU also hosted a complementary training session on "Entering Your Career," facilitated by Prof. Dr. Anusorn Kunanusorn, a renowned expert in human development and career planning. The session aimed to encourage students to reflect on their career goals and the importance of self-assessment in planning for the future.

Prof. Dr. Anusorn emphasized the significance of setting clear, achievable steps for personal and professional development. He guided participants on building a strong mindset, adopting adaptable behaviors, and preparing for workplace environments. The session underscored the necessity of developing both hard and soft skills and the wise use of time in order to fulfill one's aspirations in life and career.

The training concluded with a focus on group collaboration and teamwork, highlighting the value of building strong professional relationships and effective communication — essential components for long-term success.

Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University remains committed to organizing future training programs that focus on soft skills development. These initiatives aim to empower students to face challenges with confidence and become responsible, capable, and solution-oriented leaders of tomorrow.

Congratulations on the entrance examination for students for admission to the 2nd cohort of the Doctoral Program at Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University for the academic year 2025-2026



On the morning of Saturday, July 19, 2025, Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University organized the entrance examination for students for admission to the 2nd cohort of the Doctoral Program for the academic year 2025-2026. The examination was held at Peace Palace Hall within Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University.

The entrance examination for the 2nd cohort of the Doctoral Program was presided over by Preah Somethavong, Dr. Sok Bunthoeun, Head of Buddhist Higher and Post Graduate Studies Department of the National Institute of Buddhist Studies. His Excellency Ngoun Sdechpheakdey, Personal Advisor to Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei Hun Manet, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, and also the Secretary of State in charge of Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University. He participated as the esteemed representative of His Holiness Samdech Preah Abhisiri Sugandha Mohasangharajah Dhipati Bour Kry, Rector of Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University, and under the assignment of His Excellency Dr. Chay Borin, Minister of Cults and Religion. His Excellency Dr. Mok Sarom, Deputy Director-General of the Ministry of Education Youth and Sport, International guests, including Professor Dr. Anusorn Kunanusorn and Mr. Kraisar Galitwala, were also present. The event saw the attendance of Vice-Rectors, management team, monastic officials, civil servants, professors, staff, working groups, and doctoral candidates, alongside students from Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University. A total of 95 monastic and lay candidates took part in the doctoral examination, which covered 9 specialized fields: Khmer Literature, Philosophy and Religion, Human Resource Management, Business Administration, International Relations, Law, Public Administration, Educational Administration and Leadership, and Educational Science. The examination comprised two papers: a Research Methodology paper and a Specialized paper.

To begin the proceedings, His Excellency Dr. Mok Sarom, Head of the Postgraduate, delivered a welcoming speech and presented a report on the progress and achievements of the postgraduate school. He also spoke about strengthening the quality of doctoral thesis writing to ensure adherence to educational standards. This aligns with the Royal Government's Pentagonal Strategy Phase I, which prioritizes human capital as its first fundamental focus.

Next, Preah Somethavong, Dr. Sok Bunthoeun, Head of Buddhist Higher and Post Graduate Studies Department of the National Institute of Buddhist Studies, delivered a Dharma talk on effective education, centering on the C4 educational methodology. This approach emphasizes four core foundations 1. Change: Focusing on transforming mindsets, behaviors, and physical aspects. 2. Construction: Building both tangible and intangible structures for human resource development. 3. Correction: Reforming education from primary to higher levels. 4. Culture for Development: Developing human resources through cultural approaches.

Meanwhile, His Excellency Ngoun Sdechpheakdey, Personal Advisor to Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei Hun Manet, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, and also Secretary of State of the Ministry of Cults and Religion in charge of Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University, delivered a keynote address and officially declared open the entrance examination for the 2nd cohort of the Doctoral Program for students. His Excellency highlighted the remarkable progress of Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University, which, at 22 years old, is likened to a mature adult, ready for marriage and in its prime. Similarly, Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University stands firm on its mission of education, humanity, and dissemination, leading to numerous admirable achievements. This success is attributed to the diligent royal efforts and noble, compassionate heart of His Holiness Samdech Preah Abhisiri Sugandha Mohasangharajah Dhipati Bour Kry, the Rector, and the utmost support and attention from the Cambodian Royal Government, led by Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN Sen, President of the Supreme Privy Council to His Majesty the King of the Kingdom of Cambodia, Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei HUN MANET Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, has fostered human resource development from all directions, without discrimination based on class, race, or political affiliation. This has become a powerful driving force, significantly contributing to building quality human resources for the nation. Additionally, His Excellency emphasized strengthening the capabilities of the doctoral candidates and encouraged them to show great effort and strong commitment to their studies. This, he noted, is crucial for them to become highly capable future leaders of society, both now and in the years to come.

After the speeches concluded, Preah Somethavong, Dr. Sok Bunthoeun, and His Excellency Ngoun Sdechpheakdey, joined by the management and both national and international professors, ceremonially opened the examination papers together. This served as a solemn testament to all doctoral candidates participating in the entrance examination for the 2nd cohort of the Doctoral Program at Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University for the academic year 2025-2026. A group photo was also taken to commemorate the occasion.

#### Welcomes Professor Masato Noda from the University of Tokyo

Tuesday, July 22, 2025 on behalf of His Holiness Samdech Preah Abhisiri Sugandha Mahasangharajah Dhipati Bour Kry, Rector of Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University, His Excellency Ngoun Sdechpheakdey, Personal Advisor to Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei Hun Manet, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, and Secretary of State of the Ministry of Cult and Religion, responsible for Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University, led the university's management in welcoming Professor Masato Noda from the University of Tokyo, Japan. The visit was also attended by His Excellency Ros Sam An, Advisor to the Ministry of Cult and Religion. Professor Noda visited the Samdech Royal Master Bour Kry Health Post of His Majesty King Sihamoni, the One-Window Service of His Majesty King Norodom Sihamoni, the Techo Santepheap Library, the Techo Santepheap Dormitory building, and the Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University campus.

During this visit, His Excellency presented the vision, goals, mission, history, and achievements in serving three key sectors: education, healthcare, and social welfare for monk students, students, and underprivileged citizens of Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University and the Health Post. These initiatives are carried out under the leadership of His Holiness Samdech Preah Mahasangharajah Bour Kry, both nationally and internationally. This included discussions on various cooperation projects between the Buddhist University and Japanese educational institutions, guided and facilitated by the Embassy of Japan in Cambodia, in line with the policy of the Royal Government of Cambodia led by Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei Hun Manet, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, and the joint effort to achieve the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through strengthening and expanding international cooperation, enhancing friendship, and partnerships both domestically, regionally, and globally.

During the meeting, Professor Noda expressed his joy, pride, and admiration for the achievements made by His Holiness, His Excellency, and the leadership of the Buddhist University. He also affirmed his commitment to contribute to humanitarian and educational missions with the university's leadership for the future of Cambodian youth and global development.

After the visit concluded, His Excellency, Professor Noda, and the leadership of Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University shook hands and took commemorative photos together, filled with smiles and hope for a strong friendship.









#### Financial Literacy Boost at Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University

On Saturday, July 26, 2025, Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University hosted a fundamental financial literacy training program. The event welcomed Mr. Khim Darath, Head of the International Relations Office and Deputy Director of the Graduate School. Mr. Darath represented His Excellency Ngoun Sdechpheakdey, Personal Advisor to Prime Minister Hun Manet and Secretary of State of the Ministry of Cults and Religion, who oversees the university. Also in attendance were Professor Dr. Kong Sophy, the esteemed guest speaker, and Professor Dr. San Sithon, Head of the General Management Department. Mr. Khim Darath addressed the students, urging them to diligently learn and practice personal financial management. He underscored that this practice is key to fostering responsibility and achieving a more secure financial future.



He emphasized that financial knowledge is vital for young people's daily lives, particularly in an era where inconsistent spending can lead to severe financial difficulties. He encouraged participants to continue their education and pursue personal initiatives to unlock their potential and contribute to societal development, beginning with themselves. Mr. Darath further explained that the program's core objective is to enhance the financial literacy of students and university staff, thereby improving their personal financial management skills and initiating their understanding of economic planning in daily life.

During the program, Professor Dr. Kong Sophy delivered a presentation covering the importance of financial knowledge for both students and the wider community.



His topics included effective methods for personal financial management, strategies for young people and students to earn money, how to avoid unnecessary expenses, and how to plan for short-term and long-term savings. He also touched upon value comparison and the informed use of promotional materials. This program offered an excellent opportunity for students to learn, practice, and gain direct experience in financial management, with active participation from all attendees. It represents a significant stride in enhancing life skills and establishing personal economic goals for the future. It's crucial to remember that financial stability is paramount in everyone's life; without effective management of personal finances, income, and expenses, true financial freedom remains out of reach.

To conclude the event, the guest speaker advised all students to dedicate themselves to their studies and actively develop their knowledge, technical abilities, and life skills. This holistic development will enable them to become exceptional individuals who can make meaningful contributions to society's future. He reiterated that financial understanding is a fundamental aspect of daily living, especially for young people who are still learning and preparing for their futures. He strongly encouraged all students to effectively apply the financial knowledge they gained to their daily lives.









#### **Conducts Buddhist Blessing Ceremony for Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Manet**



On Monday, July 28, 2025, His Holiness Samdech Preah Abhisiri Sugandha Mahasangharajah Dhipati, Bour Kry, the Great Supreme Patriarch of Dhammayuttikanikaya of the Kingdom of Cambodia, Rector of Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University, and President of Samdech Royal Master Bour Kry Health Post of His Majesty King Sihamoni, together with Samdech Preah Monkol Tepeajah Vong Aneta, Deputy Supreme Patriarch, senior monks of all ranks from Dhammayuttikanikaya Order, led a Buddhist blessing and sacred prayer ceremony for Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei Hun Manet, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, prior to his official visit to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.







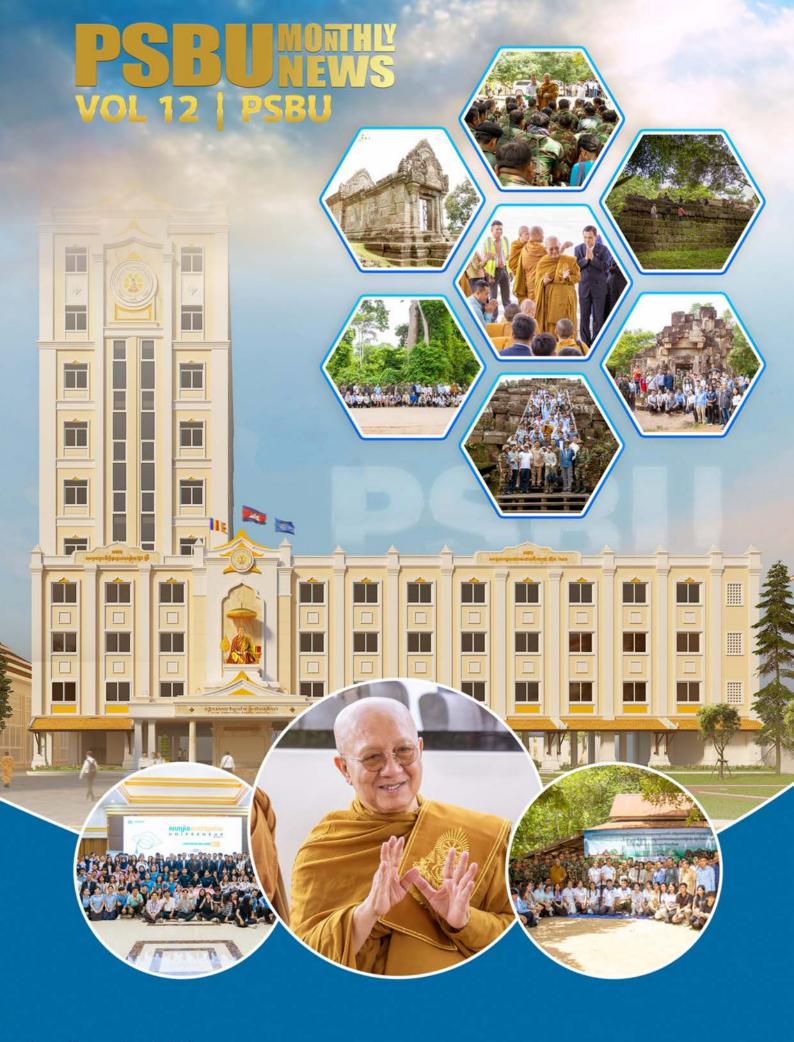
The visit is made at the invitation of His Excellency Anwar Ibrahim, Prime Minister of Malaysia and ASEAN Chair, to hold high-level talks with Mr. Phumtham Wechayachai, Acting Prime Minister of Thailand, aimed at resolving border incursions by Thai armed forces into Cambodian territory and to seek peaceful solutions to the territorial conflict.

The ceremony was attended by over 250 participants, including:

- His Excellency Ngoun Sdechpheakdey, Personal Advisor to Prime Minister Hun Manet and Secretary of State at Ministry of Cults and Religion, representing His Excellency Dr. Chay Borin, Minister of Ministry of Cults and Religion.
- University leaderships, management team, officials, faculty members, staff, and students from Preah Sihamoniraja Buddhist University.

During the ceremony, sacred chants and blessings were offered to the Triple Gem and holy relics, praying for the success of Prime Minister Hun Manet in achieving fruitful diplomatic negotiations to peacefully resolve the border conflict, bring an end to Thai military incursions, and restore lasting peace. Prayers were also dedicated to Cambodia's heroic frontline soldiers defending national sovereignty and territorial integrity, wishing them victory in all battlefields, safe reunions with their families, and for displaced Cambodian civilians to find safety and relief from suffering.

In addition, His Excellency Ngoun Sdechpheakdey presented a donation of 2,200,000 Riels on behalf of His Excellency Dr. Chay Borin, Minister of Ministry of Cults and Religion, as an offering to His Holiness Samdech Preah Mahasangharajah Bour Kry. This contribution supports the purchase of medical supplies and essential goods for heroic frontline soldiers and displaced citizens in Preah Vihear Province during the upcoming royal humanitarian visit led by the revered His Holiness Samdech Preah Mahasangharajah Bour Kry.



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