

Cambodia National Day

Working to facilitate Mekong-Japan cooperation

Chea Kimtha
AMBASSADOR OF CAMBODIA

Cambodia commemorates its National Day on Nov. 9 every year. The celebration heralds the triumphant day in 1953 when His

Majesty the Late King Father Norodom Sihanouk successfully led a crusade to free Cambodia from 90 years of colonial domination as a French protectorate. All Cambodians owe an unlimited debt of gratitude to the Late King Father for restoring independence, integrity, social happiness and prosperity to Cambodia since then.

As we celebrate the 62nd anniversary of national independence this year, I would like to convey the warmest greetings and sincerest best wishes of His Majesty King of Cambodia Norodom Sihamoni, Prime Minister Hun Sen and the people of Cambodia to Their Imperial Majesties Emperor Akihito, Empress Michiko and the Imperial family, His Excellency Prime Minister Shinzo Abe and the great people of Japan.

Notwithstanding the distance between the two countries, Cambodia and Japan have never experienced any bitterness. On the contrary, the two countries have become increasingly close because so many things bind us historically and we share numerous values.

For Cambodia, Japan has always been a great friend. All Cambodians know that Japan has assumed a meaningful role in bringing peace and development to the kingdom. Since the signing of the Paris Peace Agreements on Cambodia in October 1991, Japan has continued to mobilize assistance to rehabilitate and help reconstruct our national economy



The Late King Father Norodom Sihanouk and Queen Mother Norodom Monineath anoint King Norodom Sihamoni's head with nine jars of holy water, in a symbolic gesture to bless his reign during his coronation ceremony on Oct. 29, 2004. EMBASSY OF CAMBODIA

and physical infrastructures.

Since the bilateral relations between the two countries were upgraded to a strategic partnership at the end of 2013, Cambodia and Japan have endeavored to coordinate and cooperate more closely on regional and international issues.

This year, Cambodia and Japan mark the 60th anniversary of the signing of the Japan-Cambodia Treaty of Amity in order to further cement the long-standing friendship and boost our bilateral ties toward another milestone. In this celebrative year, the two prime ministers met in March in Sendai, Japan. They recommitted

to strengthen the relationship and cooperation in a variety of fields based on the strategic partnership, and deepen coordination in the regional and international community. Cambodia recognizes Japan's aspiration to contribute more to the peace and prosperity of the region, and the world from the standpoint of its "Proactive Contribution to Peace" policy based on the principle of international cooperation.

In addition, Cambodia expressed gratitude for Japan's election reform support, which will improve the credibility of elections in Cambodia, the building of the new Tsubasa

Bridge, which helps facilitate the livelihood of the Cambodian people and contributes to better linkage of the Mekong countries, as well as for Japan's support for National Road No. 5, which comes on top of the support for National Road No. 1 received from Japan thus far.

In July 2015, during the Cambodia-Japan Summit Meeting in Tokyo, the two prime ministers discussed the importance of their relations and committed to work harder together for the steady implementation of the "New Tokyo Strategy 2015" on Mekong-Japan cooperation. Prime Minister Shinzo Abe welcomed the April opening of the Tsubasa Bridge, which was funded by Japan's ODA, and commented that as a country focusing on quality infrastructure, Japan intends to provide cooperation in areas such as the development of highways and urban transit systems as well as supporting Cambodia in electoral reform and the Khmer Rouge tribunal. He also reaffirmed that Japan's foundation as a peace-loving nation will not change amid the passing of the Legislation for Peace and Security.

In response, Prime Minister Hun Sen highly praised and supported the Proactive Contribution to Peace policy, including the expansion of Japan's role in U.N. peacekeeping operations. He offered his congratulations on the success of the Seventh Mekong-Japan Summit Meeting, and stated that the opening of the Tsubasa Bridge is an important contribution to enhancing connectivity not only in Cambodia but also the region as a whole. He thanked the government and people of Japan for their valuable support in electoral reform and the Khmer Rouge trials.

In essence, the strategic partnership between Cambodia and Japan has created a new milestone in Cambodia-Japan



Prince Norodom Sihanouk meets Emperor Hirohito (right), then-Empress Nagako (third from right) and then-Crown Prince Akihito (second from left) during his visit to Japan in December 1955. EMBASSY OF CAMBODIA

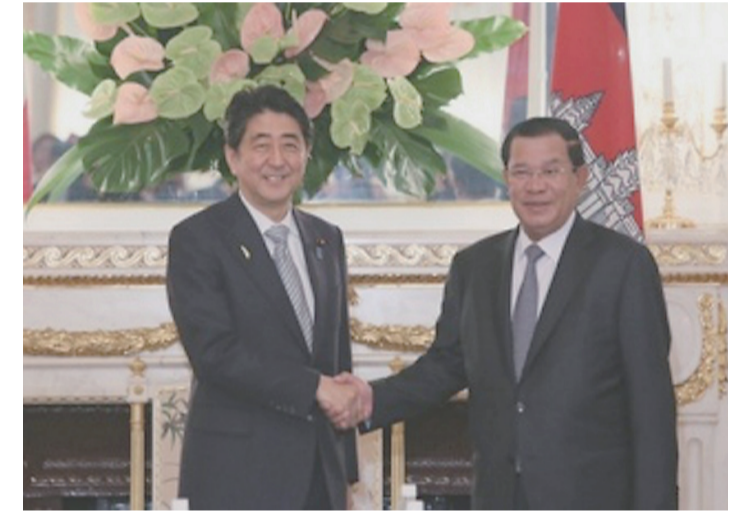
relations. There will be new challenges and opportunities that require Cambodia and Japan to continually nurture their relationship, and adapt to new circumstances, especially as Cambodia is preparing to embrace the fast-approaching 2015 ASEAN Community.

After the civil wars and internal strife, Cambodia has been progressing well, and has steadily re-emerged to become an active player in regional and global affairs.

Under the wise and able leadership of Prime Minister Hun Sen, the Royal Government of Cambodia has been able to maintain peace, stability and sustained economic development, as well as remain active in regional cooperation

focusing on the reintegration of Cambodia into the region and the world. As the last member state of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, Cambodia promotes full partnership in the implementation of various elements of the initiatives for ASEAN integration as adopted by the organization's summits.

Internally over the past two decades, Cambodia has been remarkable in achieving social cohesiveness, one of the most open economies in the world, sustained growth and poverty reduction. Cambodia's economy has expanded at a fast pace, with growth averaging 8 percent a year during 2002-2013. In 2014, the growth rate was 7.2



On July 4, Prime Minister Shinzo Abe held a meeting with Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia Hun Sen, visiting Japan to attend the Seventh Mekong-Japan Summit Meeting. EMBASSY OF CAMBODIA

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and

the 60th Anniversary of the Signing of the Japan-Cambodia Treaty of Amity, 1955-2015

The Honorary Consulate of the Kingdom of Cambodia in Fukuoka is honored to have developed the following activities:

- ❖ Visa issuance
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- ❖ Introduction of Cambodia to the young people in the Kyushu and Okinawa regions to promote their interest in building bridges between Japan and Cambodia



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Left; His Majesty King Norodom Sihamoni is welcomed by Their Majesties Emperor Akihito and Empress Michiko, and Crown Prince Naruhito on May 17, 2010, during a state visit to Japan to strengthen the bilateral relationship between the two countries. Right top; Cambodia's new King Norodom Sihamoni delivers a speech at a solemn coronation ceremony held in the Throne Room of the Royal Palace in Phnom Penh on Oct. 29, 2004. Right bottom; Tsubasa Bridge was inaugurated on April 6. EMBASSY OF CAMBODIA



The National Museum of Cambodia in Phnom Penh, the country's leading historical and archaeological museum, was officially inaugurated by King Sisowath in 1920. EMBASSY OF CAMBODIA

Strong commitment to being a strong ASEAN player

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percent and GDP is expected to remain at 7 percent during 2015, according to the Asian Development Bank. Key drivers of the economy are the garment industry, tourism and construction. Favorable conditions deriving from government efforts toward good governance have also attracted greater foreign direct investment into the country.

Externally, Cambodia exhibits a strong commitment to playing a major role as an outward-looking, constructive and dynamic player in an integrated ASEAN, a broader Asian region and beyond. Cambodia supports ASEAN's process of regionalism, and has been pushing for more effective reforms to realize the national development goal and enhance our competitiveness in the region, especially

the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) 2015 and the world.

We understand well the benefits of the AEC, which is to promote physical connectivity, expand access to regional markets, resources and investments, and increase participation in regional production networks. As such, we are aware of the need to push for further commitment toward specific AEC-related reforms, such as the fulfillment of obligations pertaining to taxation and customs procedures to improve overall Cambodia's performance toward full implementation of the AEC.

Although Cambodia has made progress in achieving the Millennium Development Goals with rapid growth and a substantial decline in poverty, the country still faces

challenges to find better ways to increase value-added, and diversify the economy and improve skill training, as well as overcome infrastructure bottlenecks and expand the business climate based on a clear reform agenda. The government is mindful of the fact that if we want to take Cambodia to the next level of socioeconomic development, we need to remain committed to deeper reforms in such areas as good governance, education, health care, and judiciary and law enforcement so as to contribute viably to the long-term national development plan.

There exist unique opportunities for investors to explore the other Cambodian competitive advantages that exist in the large pool of young and eager Cambodian workers, favorable investment incentives, and untapped ag-

riculture, mining and hydrocarbon potential. Besides economic opportunities, Cambodia possesses deep artistic traditions that our ancestors have left behind. Japanese tourists can enjoy unspoiled beaches in the south of Cambodia, rain forests in the northeast, and the world-renown Angkor Wat and other stunning temples and monuments in Siem Reap province, which continue to permeate stonework masterpieces, and the revival of Cambodian silk weaving, silver carving and the beauty of a multitude of other cultural assets from architecture to interior design, fine Khmer foods, and the beautiful boulevards and public gardens that are emerging in Phnom Penh to make it the jewel of Asia once again.

In conclusion, as we cele-

brate our National Day today, I would like to earnestly convey my heartfelt appreciation to the government and people of Japan for what your noble country has done for Cambodia. I will spare every effort to promote stronger, healthier and more productive relations between our two governments, and strengthen the everlasting bond of friendship between our two peoples.

Last but not least, I would like to extend my thanks to The Japan Times for giving me this excellent opportunity to address its many valuable readers.

Friendship to contribute to peace in region, world

Takeo Hiranuma
CHAIRMAN, JAPAN-CAMBODIA FRIENDSHIP LEAGUE OF LAWMAKERS

Let me express my profound respect for the impressive development of the Kingdom of Cambodia, a country with a great history and tradition, under the reign of His Majesty King Norodom Sihamoni.

It gives me enormous pleasure that Cambodia and Japan are marking the 62nd anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations, and that trust and friendship between the two countries have deepened.

Cambodia underwent great turmoil and adversity in its modern history. I have great

respect for the Cambodian people, who courageously worked to overcome them, and build a truly peaceful and stable future.

As a result, Cambodia is achieving steady economic growth. Japanese companies are stepping up investment in Cambodia as they have been attracted by its plentiful labor force, liberal investment policy, preferential measures for investors and its people, who are serious and friendly toward Japan. Against this backdrop, economic relations between the two countries have strengthened.

I believe increased friendship between our countries, their prosperity and further cultivation of bilateral ties, which are characterized by mutual respect and affection, will contribute to the peace, stability and prosperity of the whole of Asia.



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Respectfully greeted from:

H.E. Ms. Chea Kimtha, *Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
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Collaborating in development

Shinichi Kitaoka
PRESIDENT, JAPAN INTERNATIONAL
COOPERATION AGENCY

On behalf of Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), I would like to extend my sincere congratulations and best wishes to the people of the Kingdom of Cambodia as they celebrate 62 years of independence. This year is also a milestone in the Cambodia-Japan relations given that we are marking the 60th anniversary of the signing of the Cambodia-Japan Treaty of Amity.

In terms of JICA's cooperation with Cambodia, our en-



agement dates back to 1965, with the dispatch of Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JOCV). Cambodia was actually one of the first countries we dispatched volunteers to. Since then, the relationship between Cambodia and Japan has evolved into a strong partnership and enduring friendship.

Following decades of civil war and turmoil, Cambodia successfully rebuilt itself and achieved one of the highest rates of economic growth and poverty reduction in the world. The Royal Government has worked relentlessly to address its people's fear and want so that all can live in dignity. In many ways, Cambodia's efforts espouse the concept of human security, one of JICA's guiding principles. JICA has supported

Cambodia's development efforts through technical cooperation, financial assistance, and our JOCV program, in areas ranging from infrastructure development to human capacity building.

In the early stages of JICA's cooperation in Cambodia, our assistance focused on rebuilding the shattered economy and strengthening the social structure. We rehabilitated and constructed roads and bridges, water treatment plants, and medical facilities, while simultaneously supporting demining activities. Removing some of the most imminent threats to the Cambodian people and their property, as well as contributing to the country's infrastructure development, have helped create the conditions for safer, more fulfilled lives.

With the launch of the ASEAN Economic Community, Cambodia has also begun to strive to reinvigorate its economy through infrastructure development, as well as diversifying and upgrading its industries. In line with the country's changing needs, JICA's focus has shifted to improving domestic and regional connectivity and addressing urbanization challenges. In parallel, we are also contributing to strengthening the human resources for industrialization. In April of this year, we celebrated the long-awaited opening of "Spian Tsubasa" (which would translate to "Wing Bridge" in English). This bridge is expected to contribute to the improvement of connectivity throughout ASEAN and also serve to reduce economic

gaps within Cambodia, bringing benefits for all Cambodians.

JICA will continue to collaborate with Cambodia in addressing the country's ongoing and future challenges comprehensively, while also placing people at the center of our cooperation. Building on past successes, we aim to foster inclusive economic and social development through a relationship we hope can bridge Cambodia and Japan.

I would once again like to commend the Cambodian Government for its economic development achievements. I would also like to extend my sincere gratitude for the country's steadfast commitment to our collaboration. I look forward to further strengthening our partnership in years to come.

Ryu Shionoya
CHAIRMAN, JAPAN-MEKONG
PARLIAMENTARY FRIENDSHIP
ASSOCIATION

I would like to express my heartfelt congratulations on the occasion of the 62nd anniversary of Cambodia's Independence Day.

This year also marks the 60th anniversary of the Cambodia-Japan Treaty of Amity and important events signifying amicable bilateral relations, such as two visits of



Prime Minister Hun Sen to Japan and the completion of "Tsubasa Bridge" on the Mekong River, built with Japan's official development assistance, have taken place.

I visited Cambodia to attend the funeral of Chea Sim, former president of the senate, who passed away in June, as a special envoy. At July's Mekong-Japan Summit Meeting, I invited the prime minister, as well as other Mekong leaders, to a luncheon in my capacity as the chairman of Japan-Mekong Parliamentary Friendship Association.

Through these exchanges, I felt strongly the potential of Cambodia's future develop-

ment. Cambodia is in the spotlight among Japanese companies as a direct investment destination.

By the end of the year, the ASEAN Economic Community will be launched and, in the center of the Indochinese Peninsula, Cambodia's economic and strategic importance will increase. I strongly believe Cambodia will continue developing.

Angkor Wat is one of the most popular overseas tourism destinations for Japanese and I offer my hope that exchanges between our countries will deepen and the harmonious bilateral relations will be strengthened.

Excellent destination for direct investment

A vital role in ASEAN-Japan ties

Masataka Fujita
SECRETARY-GENERAL, ASEAN-
JAPAN CENTRE

On the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the Cambodia-Japan Treaty of Amity and the 62nd anniversary of Cambodia's Independence Day, it is my great pleasure and honor to deliver a congratulatory message to Cambodian people and Japanese nationals.

The ASEAN-Japan Centre has conducted various promotional trade, investment, tourism and personal exchange activities to enhance partnerships between the Association of Southeast Asian Nations region and Japan. On behalf of the center, I



would like to take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to the Kingdom of Cambodia for its contribution to maintaining amicable ASEAN-Japan relations along with Cambodia-Japan bilateral relations.

It is gratifying that the friendly and long-standing Japan-Cambodia relations have been strengthened and broadened year by year in various fields. As for the economy, a growing number of Japanese companies are investing in Cambodia. In 2014, there were 182 Japanese-affiliated companies in the country, 3.6 times more than five years ago, which is also an outstanding rate of increase compared to other ASEAN member states with the average of 1.7 times. In the infrastructure area, as exemplified by the Neak Leoung Bridge, or Tsubasa

Bridge, constructed by Japanese official development assistance to improve the business environment, and contribute to sustainable development at regional and national levels through connecting one of the most important transport corridors in the region.

By the end of this year, the ASEAN Community will be established. I believe that the Kingdom of Cambodia, as a vibrant and powerful member of ASEAN, would play an important role in developing further stronger and closer ASEAN-Japan relationships. I look forward to continuing to work with the people of Cambodia to fortify cooperation bilaterally and within the framework of ASEAN.

Finally, I cordially extend my heartfelt wishes of happiness and further prosperity to the Kingdom of Cambodia.

Fascinated by history, culture

Yukio Imagawa
HONORARY PRESIDENT, JAPAN-CAMBODIA ASSOCIATION

I would like to offer my heartfelt congratulations to the Kingdom of Cambodia on the occasion of the 62nd anniversary of its independence.

Cambodia and Japan have maintained peaceful, stable and amicable relations for a long time since the two countries signed the Japan-Cambodia Treaty of Amity in 1955.

I hope the two will continue to respect each other and deepen the bilateral relationship.

Cambodia has prospered as the most peaceful and stable country in Asia, under the reign of the king and the leadership of Prime Minister Hun Sen, since the signing of the Paris Peace Agreements in October 1991.

Also, Cambodia is rich in nature and abundant in sunshine, water and food.

As I have had strong connections with Cambodia for a long time, I am very happy that not only Japanese but also people around the world are fascinated by Cambodia's history and culture, and visit the Southeast Asian country.

Lastly, I offer my most sincere wishes for the prosperity of the Kingdom of Cambodia and the happiness of its people.



Hiroyuki Ishige
CHAIRMAN AND CEO, JAPAN
EXTERNAL TRADE ORGANIZATION

Heartiest congratulations and best wishes for the 62nd anniversary of the independence of Cambodia and the 60th anniversary of the Cambodia-Japan Treaty of Amity.

With the recent wave of Japanese companies entering Cambodia in hopes of making it a new manufacturing hub, the bilateral economic relations between our two countries have been increasingly enriched.

In response to this inflow of business into your country, JETRO established an office in



Phnom Penh in 2010.

This July, the seventh Mekong-Japan Summit was held. On that occasion, JETRO hosted the Mekong-Five Economic Forum in Tokyo and Kitakyushu on July 3 and 5, respectively.

In his keynote speech at the event, His Excellency Hun Sen, prime minister of Cambodia, stated that his government is proceeding with its "New Economic Growth Strategy," which includes the following pillars: facilitating investment within the country and from abroad, fostering small and medium-sized enterprises, improving the legal environment, promoting capacity-building and developing infrastructure.

Aiming at contributing to Cambodia's further economic growth, we at JETRO have also been committed to activities such as dispatching investment

missions, holding exhibitions and assisting development of human resources.

Given the dynamic development achieved of late by Cambodia, the movement of people and goods is expected to be more invigorated than ever before. This April, the Tsubasa Bridge (Spian Tsubasa) was opened on National Road 1, a highway in the Southern Economic Corridor, with the cooperation of Japan. We hope that this bridge will contribute to the corridor's role as a major traffic route for logistics supporting the economic advancement of your country.

Finally, I would like to express my warmest wishes that the economic partnership between our two countries will see further prosperity and for exchanges between our people to grow ever deeper.

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Angkor Wat Temple EMBASSY OF CAMBODIA

Exchanges help build water supply system

Kenji Kitahashi
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF KITAKYUSHU

Allow me to extend my heartfelt congratulations on the 62nd anniversary of the independence of the Kingdom of Cambodia. It gives me great pleasure to have the opportunity to deliver this con-



gratulatory message this year as it also marks the 60th anniversary of the friendship between Cambodia and Japan.

Exchanges between our city and Cambodia have been in place since 1999, primarily through waterworks projects. Kitakyushu proudly contributed to what has been dubbed as the "miracle of Phnom Penh" — the dramatic improvement of the city's waterworks, and at present, its water supply coverage has in-

creased by over 90 percent and the leakage rate has been reduced to 8 percent. In 2011, on behalf of the city, I had the honor of receiving the Grand Cross, the highest distinction awarded to a foreigner by the Kingdom of Cambodia, for Kitakyushu's tireless efforts to support Cambodia's development, so I feel a strong sense of familiarity with the country.

Add to that, this July, we were visited by Cambodian Prime

Minister Hun Sen. With this visit, it is hoped that the exchanges between our city and Phnom Penh can move forward to the next level, such as bringing about more dynamic exchanges, particularly in the areas in which our city excels — water supply, sewerage and the environment — and deepening our friendship with the Kingdom of Cambodia.

Finally, I would like to express my sincere hopes for the continued development of Cambodia.

Photographer captures beauty of Angkor Wat Temple

Baku Saito
PHOTOGRAPHER

When I first visited Cambodia, the first national elections after the long civil war successfully ended with the cooperation of the U.N. Transitional Authority for Cambodia (UNTAC). There was a passion for reconstruction in Phnom Penh, where I felt the nation gaining momentum for recovery. However, the situation was still turbulent, as seen in the bomb incident in the central market.

In May 1994, I attended a dedication ceremony for a school in Prey Veng province. The school was constructed through an Association for Aid and Relief, Japan (AAR) project, in which I participated. It was the begin-



ning of my engagement with Cambodia. I still cannot forget the sight of 2,000 students in neat lines welcoming us to the school.

My ongoing passion as a photographer led me to participate in the UNESCO-JSA project, and it took me 10 years to finish shooting all 259 holy faces in the monuments, including those of Bayon Temple.

The most distinguishing footprints of the Khmer people's culture can be seen in the grandeur of the Angkor Wat complex and the unique architectural style of the peerless Bayon Temple. They are filled with energy and I really found myself at a loss for words.

The forest of tetrahedral towers carved with holy faces on each side, embodying the holy Mount Meru, is an overwhelming sight. The Khmer's creativity is not only something from 1,000 years ago; it has the potential to come into bloom in the future.

As a photographer, I believe it is important to bring global attention to the ruins of Angkor. I showcased my works of the holy faces at a photo exhibition at the U.N. Headquarters Exhibition Gallery in New York in 2006, and also showed them at the CJCC exhibition at the Royal University of Phnom Penh in June 2008. In July that year, the Preah Vihear Temple near the Thai border was designated Cambodia's second World Heritage site.

In 2013, when the 37th session of the World Heritage Committee met in Phnom Penh, a photo exhibition of Angkor Wat was held at the Office of the Prime Minister at the request of the government of Cambodia, providing me the privilege to present my works to committee members from 190 participating countries. Also, at that session, Mount Fuji was designated as a World Heritage site, an event that made me see the deep connec-

tions between Japan and Cambodia.

Additionally, the government of the Kingdom of Cambodia will hold a photo exhibition "Preah Vihear and Angkor Monuments by Baku Saito" in December at the national Samdech Decho Eco-Global Museum, which was newly constructed near the Preah Vihear Temple.

It's already been 23 years since the war and Cambodian children who didn't experience it are now over twenty years old. It would be great if my photos of the Preah Vihear Temple and the ruins of Angkor could make Cambodians, including those children, feel how wonderful their World Heritage sites are and support their future reconstruction.

I would like to reiterate my gratitude for the immense cooperation from many people that has enabled me to continue my photography of Angkor.

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