## Cambodia-Korea Business Forum

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#### 1. Overview

National February 6, 2022

#### **COVID-19 Recovery Index: Cambodia** ranked second



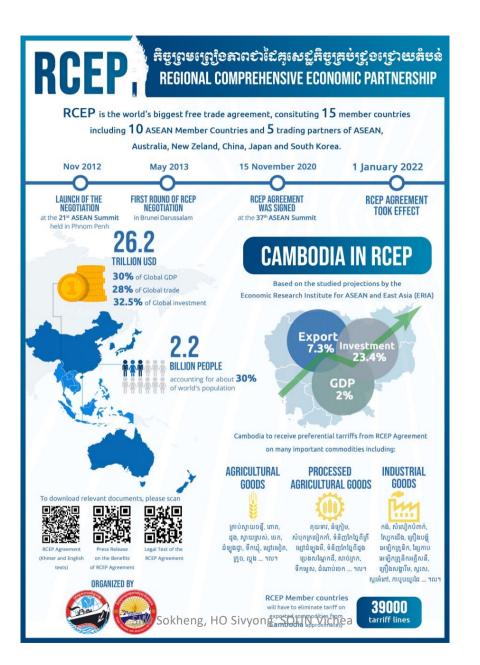
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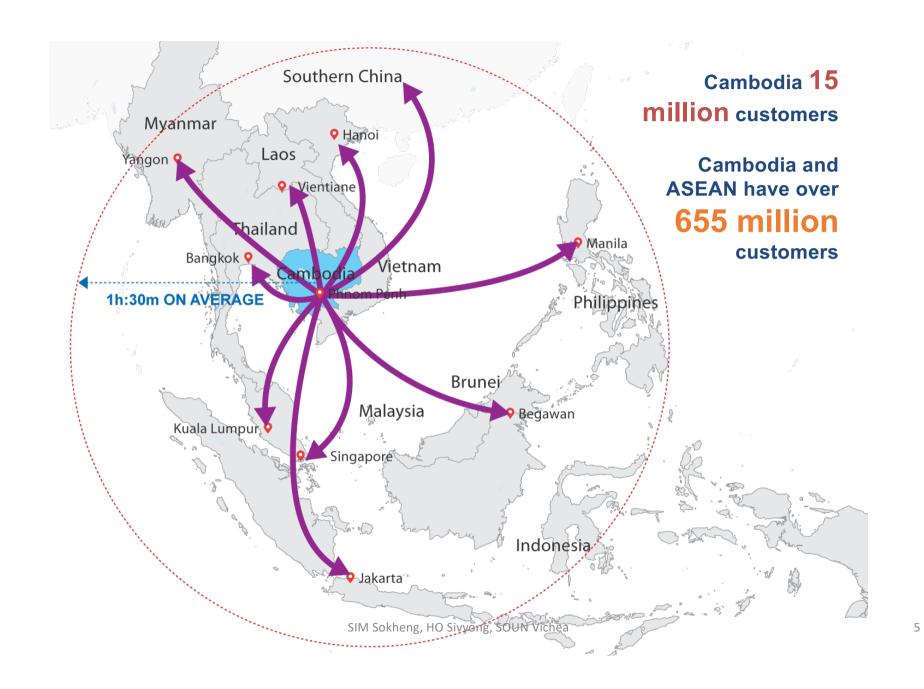
## Cambodia ranks 3rd in real income gains, export growth under RCEP trade pact: World Bank

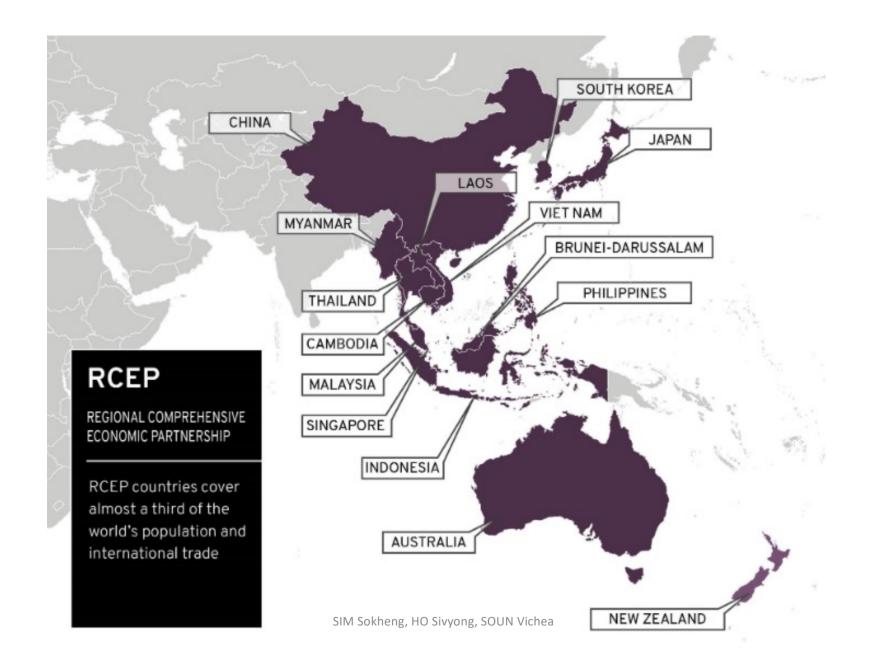
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## 2. RCEP: Investment (market access & protections)

- The RCEP creates an enabling investment environment with greater predictability for investors
- Providing a strong platform to expand investment
- Easing investment restrictions amongst RCEP countries.
- Improved investment facilitation provisions which address investor aftercare
- Establishing contact points

- Covering the four pillars of investments:
  - Liberalization,
  - Protection,
  - Promotion and
  - Facilitation.
- The covered forms of investments:
  - Shares and other forms of equity participation;
  - Debt instruments;
  - Movable and immovable property and ... etc.

#### RCEP and New Law on Investment

- Cambodia's new Law on Investment last October 2021, reflects the **evolution of the investment climate**.
- Establish an open, transparent, **predictable**, and favorable legal framework.
- It was intended to serve as a stepping-stone for Cambodia to becoming a more attractive investment destination.
- Giving a wider range of incentives, guarantees, and protections for both domestic and foreign investors

#### **Investment Facilitations**



Within 20 Working Days



#### **Single Registration Certificate**

#### **Investment Registration**



Registration through information technology platforms



Registration Certificate shall be affixed with a barcode with identification number or QR code or other technology that contains preliminary data related to the registered Investment Project

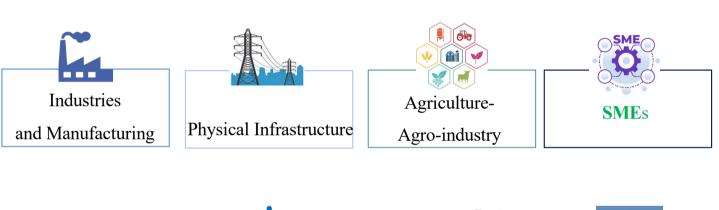


Investment Projects that have obtained a Registration Certificate may

be implemented automatically

#### **Investment Incentives**

#### Investment sectors and activities are entitled to investment incentives:



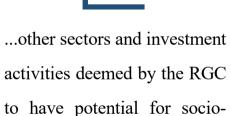






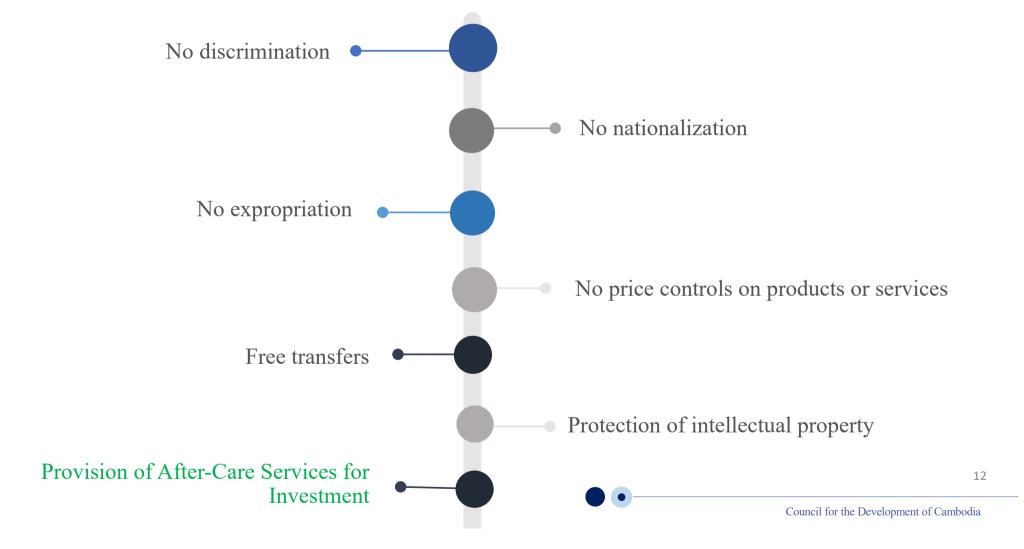






economic (Art. 24 and 28)

#### **Investment Guarantees and Protection**

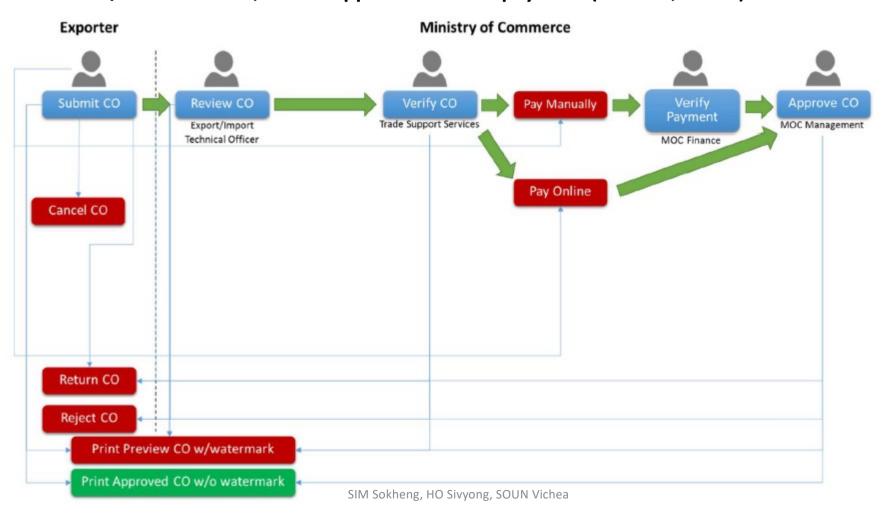


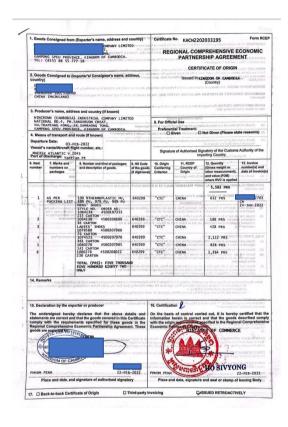
## 3. Rules of Origin and Certificate of Origin (C/O)

- C/O Automation, Online Application and e-Payment for all FTA & GSP Forms since 2016 (*Prakas* (Ministerial Regulation) No. 3198 dated 26 August 2016 on Procedure on Issuing Certificate of Origin on CO Automation Application
- Joint-Prakas (Joint Inter-Ministries Regulation) No. 315 dated 12 May 2021 on Provide Public Service Fee for Ministry of Commerce.
- Do not issue C/O in case of not require by importing countries.

#### **Certificate of Origin included RCEP Form**

#### C/O Automation, Online application and e-payment (ACLEDA, WING)





1<sup>st</sup> RCEP Form issued by Cambodia was issued by 20 Feb. 2022. Goods shipped on 03 Feb. 2022

## 4. Protection of Intellectual property(IP)

Cambodia will apply the detail of 83 articles and exception and the flexibility provided under articles of IP, for example: No Obligation to provide registration of Sound Marks during transitional period by article 11.19.

Provisions	Transition Periods			
Subparagraph 1(e) of Article 11.9 (Multilateral Agreements) (with respect to the WCT)	10 years, which may be extended once for five years			
Subparagraph 1(f) of Article 11.9 (Multilateral Agreements) (with respect to the WPPT)	10 years, which may be extended once for five years			
Article 11.14 (Circumvention of Effective Technological Measures)	10 years, which may be extended once for five years			
Article 11.15 (Protection for Electronic Rights Management Information)	10 years, which may be extended once for five years			
Article 11.19 (Trademarks Protection) (with respect to sound marks)	10 years, which may be extended once for five years			

Subparagraphs 2(a) and (b) of Article 11.22 (Registration and Applications of Trademarks)	10 years, which may be extended once for five years
Article 11.48 (Protection of New Varieties of Plants)	10 years, which may be extended once for five years
Paragraph 2 of Article 11.62 (Destroying Infringing Goods and Materials and Implements)	10 years, which may be extended once for five years
Subparagraph 1(a) of Article 11.64 (Provisional Measures)	10 years, which may be extended once for five years
Subparagraphs 3(b) and (c) of Article 11.74 (Criminal Procedures and Penalties)	10 years, which may be extended once for five years
Article 11.75 (Effective Action against Infringement in the Digital Environment)	10 years, which may be extended once for five years

#### Cambodian government's plan to protect IPs under the RCEP

- Cambodia has law on Trademark, Patent, Design, Copyright, GI, Plant variety which comply with TRIPS and regional and bilateral agreements.
- 1. Law on Mark, Trade Name, and Act of Unfair Competition, 2002.
- **2. Law on Patents**, Utility Model Certificates, and Industrial Designs, 2003.
- **3. Law on Copyright and Related Rights**: Law on Copyright and Related Rights, 2003.
- 4. Law on Seed Management and Breeder's Rights, 2008.
- 5. Law on Geographical Indication (GI), 2014.
- **6. Law on Compulsory license for Public Health,** May 2018.

#### Cambodian government's plan to protect IPs under the RCEP

- Adopted Action Plan of National Committee of Intellectual Property (NCIP) 2020-2023.
- Finalize drafting National IP Policy and finalize the National IP Action Plan 2022-2027. The National Intellectual Property Policy has three main objectives:
- **Objective 1:** To develop laws, regulations and legal documents related to intellectual property in accordance with international standards and to strengthen the implementation of Cambodian intellectual property laws to meet the economic and social needs and actual development of Cambodia.
- **Objective 2:** To enhance the capacity and expand the capacity of the Ministries and Institutions of the Royal Government of the Kingdom of Cambodia in implementing the intellectual property system effectively.
- **Objective 3:** To disseminate and raise public awareness of the role of intellectual property in economic development, and enhance the capacity and motivation of the private sector in the Kingdom of Cambodia to use intellectual property.

## IP Cooperation Between Cambodia and S. Korea

## MoU on IP Cooperation between Ministry of Commerce and KIPO has been signed since 15 August 2019:

- Exchange of Information on IP-related legislation and any change or improvements in it;
- Organization and provision of IP education and training;
- IP automation system (sharing Information on technology, improving the legal environment, and upgrading ICT);
- Exchange of trademarks information;
- IP protection and enforcement; and
- Any other cooperative activities that may be jointly decided upon by the sides.

## IP Cooperation Between Cambodia and S. Korea (2)

Under the frame work of RCEP and Cambodia-Korea FTA, ASEAN Working Group On Intellectual Property, Cambodia need technical assistance to implement our IP Policy in the priority activities as following:

- Enabling Innovation Environment to Strengthen Business Competitiveness through Brands & Designs
- Increase Capacity for Technology Innovation Support.
- Enabling Innovation Environment IP Roving Seminars to Increase Usage of Global IP Systems (IP Roving Seminars) (Madrid & PCT)
- Assistance for Technology and Innovation Support Centers (TISCs).

### Case of Handle IP Issue By Ministry of Commerce

- Trademark Applications and Registrations from Republic of Korea (Up to 25-02-2022)
- Applications 2949
- Registrations 2231
- Trademark Infringement Cases data

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Trademark	25	21	17	14	14	21	28	10
Infringement	Cases							
Petition								

There seem no any trademark infringement petition against Korea trademarks.

# Cambodia Vision 2050 (high-income country)

Thank You!