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**Press Release**  
**On**  
**Process of Artificial Intelligence Governance**

The Ministry of Post and Telecommunications (MPTC) wishes to inform the public about certain significant activities that MPTC, as the line ministry responsible for the digital sector, has implemented and is carrying out for the governance of artificial intelligence and emerging digital technologies as follows:

**1. Harmonizing AI Governance and Ethics in ASEAN**

As Cambodia's representative in the ASEAN Digital Ministers' Meeting (ADGMIN), the ASEAN Senior Digital Officers' Meeting (ADGSOM), and the ASEAN Working Group on Artificial Intelligence Governance (WG-AI), MPTC has participated in the preparation and approval of three documents to harmonize approaches to AI governance and ethics in the ASEAN region, and has the following workplan:

Previous Activities		
1	Participated in the adoption of the “ASEAN Guide on AI Governance and Ethics” at the ASEAN Digital Ministers’ Meeting	2 February 2024
2	Participated in the workshop to prepare the “ASEAN Responsible Artificial Intelligence Roadmap” with WG-AI members from ASEAN member states and representatives from the United States	4-5 June 2024
3	Conducted a consultation workshop on the “Expanded ASEAN Guide on AI Governance and Ethics for Generative AI” draft with ministries, institutions, the private sector, and partner institutions in Cambodia	17 October 2024
4	Participated in the adoption, at the 5th AGDMIN, of: 1- The Expanded ASEAN Guide on AI Governance and Ethics for Generative AI 2- The ASEAN Responsible Artificial Intelligence Roadmap	17 January 2025
Next Steps		
1	Translate the ASEAN Guide on AI Governance and Ethics	Completed and currently reviewing technical terms
2	Translate: 1- The Expanded ASEAN Guide on AI Governance and Ethics for Generative AI 2- The ASEAN Responsible Artificial Intelligence Roadmap	To be completed 30 May 2025
3	Prepare a Glossary of AI terms	Starting from the end of April 2025
4	Prepare “Cambodian Guidelines on AI Governance and Ethics”	First draft to be completed by 30 May 2025

**2. AI Ethical Readiness Assessment in Cambodia**

Supported by MPTC, the Cambodia Academy of Digital Technology (CADT) has collaborated with UNESCO to assess the AI ethical readiness in Cambodia using the AI Ethics Readiness Assessment Methodology (RAM), which is the first systematic global tool for assessing a country’s readiness in five

aspects: (1) legal, (2) social and cultural, (3) scientific and educational, (4) economic, and (5) technical. CADT and UNESCO have implemented the following activities and have the following workplan:

Previous Activities		
1	Participated in the Global Forum on the Ethics of AI organized by UNESCO	5-6 February 2024
2	Launched the AI Ethical Readiness Assessment in Cambodia	12 November 2024
3	Collected data and held meetings with key relevant ministries and institutions	November 2024 - February 2025
4	Organized validation workshops on findings and recommendations	4 February 2025
Next Steps		
1	Review, edit, and prepare the final draft of the report	To be completed by 24 April 2025
2	Submit to the Digital Government Committee for review and recommendations	May 2025
3	Submit to the National Digital Economy and Society Council	May 2025
4	Officially launch and disseminate the Country Report on the Assessment of Ethical Readiness of Artificial Intelligence in Cambodia (at the National Workshop on the National Artificial Intelligence Strategy)	June 2025

### 3. Preparing the “National Artificial Intelligence Strategy”

Upon obtaining approval from the Royal Government through Letter No. 316 SCN.AS dated 5 March 2024 MPTC established a Working Group on Artificial Intelligence and Data Science Research and Development on 5 April 2024. This technical working group researched and prepared the draft National Artificial Intelligence Strategy (NAIS) within a year and underwent 12 internal meetings until the completion of a first draft in February 2025. MPTC has received support from the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN-ESCAP) in reviewing and providing feedback on the NAIS and will continue to receive such support until completion. The NAIS Working Group has taken the following actions and has the following workplan:

Previous Activities		
1	Researched and prepared the first draft	April 2024 to February 2025
2	Consultation meetings with digital technical experts within the UN-ESCAP network	19 February 2025 18 March 2025
3	Second Draft of the "National Artificial Intelligence Strategy"	March 2025
4	Deep Dive Workshop on the “National Artificial Intelligence Strategy” draft	7-8 April 2025
Next Steps		
1	Train artificial intelligence technical focal points from ministries and institutions	May 2025
2	Bilateral/multilateral consultations with ministries and institutions	May 2025
3	Organize the National Workshop	June 2025
4	Submit to the Digital Government Committee for review and approval	June 2025
7	Complete the final draft and translate	June-July 2025
8	Submit to the National Digital Economy and Society Council for review and decision	August 2025

### 4. Preparing the “National Artificial Intelligence Governance Framework”

To maintain the balance between regulation and innovation with respect to artificial intelligence, MPTC has been preparing a National AI Governance Framework draft that is systematic and in line with global trends and Cambodia’s context. MPTC has implemented the following activities and has the following workplan:

Previous Activities		
1	Researched governance frameworks of various countries	November 2024 - February 2025
2	Prepared the concept notes	February 2025
3	Prepared the first draft	March 2025
Next Steps		
1	Complete the first draft	June 2025
2	Consultation meeting with national and international experts	July - August 2025
3	Bilateral/multilateral consultations with ministries and institutions	September 2025
4	Organize a national workshop	October 2025
5	Submit to the Digital Government Committee for review and approval	November 2025
6	Complete the final draft and translate	November-December 2025
7	Submit to the National Digital Economy and Society Council for review and decision	December 2025

## 5. Sectoral AI Promotion Strategies

In addition to national-level work, MPTC has been preparing the MPTC AI Promotion Strategy to promote the adoption of artificial intelligence in the ministry and in sectors within the ministry's competence. MPTC has implemented the following activities and has the following workplan:

Previous Activities		
1	Studied and analyzed the current situation and needs	August-December 2024
2	Kick-off meeting on preparing a research report for the MPTC AI Promotion Strategy	29 August 2024
3	Technical meeting to gather input for preparing the MPTC AI Promotion Strategy	20 September 2024
4	Interim report meeting on the preparation of a research report for the MPTC AI Promotion Strategy	11 November 2024
5	Technical meeting on research results on the MPTC AI Promotion Strategy	15 November 2024
6	"Cambodia Artificial Intelligence Forum" under the theme "Learning about Artificial Intelligence Technology Innovation and Opportunities for Cambodia in the Future"	25 November 2024
7	Meeting on the final report on the MPTC AI Promotion Strategy	19 December 2024
8	Meeting on the progress of preparing the MPTC AI Promotion Strategy	4 and 11 April 2025
Next Steps		
1	Internal consultation workshop on the MPTC AI Promotion Strategy	9 May 2025
2	Public consultation workshop with the private sector and educational and research institutions on the MPTC AI Promotion Strategy	16 May 2025

Members of the public and institutions wishing to participate in any of the governance activities above may fill the form through secured link [go.gov.kh/mptc/o1sz1j](https://go.gov.kh/mptc/o1sz1j) or scan QR Code below.

Therefore, we request members of the public and relevant institutions be informed and participate in relevant activities in accordance with your expertise and availability.

