The University of Cambodia

Scholarship Awarding Ceremony 2014-2015

On March 19th, 2015, at 7:45am the University of Cambodia celebrated a Scholarship Awarding Ceremony for **"Samdech Tech HUN SEN-HANDA's Vision-100 Scholarships for 2014"** and **"Samdech Techo HUN SEN's Vision-100 Scholarships 2014-2018,"** presided over by Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN SEN, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia at the National Institute of Education (NIE).

To open the ceremony, **H.E. Dr. Kao Kim Hourn,** Founder and the President of the University of Cambodia gave his welcoming remarks and provided a brief summary report of the history of scholarship programs at the university. **H.E. Dr. Kao Kim Hourn** said that since 2007 the University of Cambodia named has awarded **2,450 scholarships** named for **Samdech Techo**, Prime Minister. These **2,450** scholarships are below:

1. **National Scholarship Samdech Techcho Hun Sen-Handa's 500** for academic years: 2007-2008, 2008-2009 and 2009-2010; **1500 scholarships in total.**
2. **Samdech Techcho Hun Sen-Handa's Vision-100 Scholarship** for academic years: 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and 2014-2015; **500 scholarships in total**.
3. **Samdech Techcho Hun Sen's Vision-100 Scholarship** for academic years: 2008-2009, 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and 2014-2015; **400 scholarships in total.**

Among the 2,450 scholarship students 936 students (412 females, 524 males) have completed their degrees. In addition, H.E. Dr. Kao Kim Hourn also expressed that the main purpose of the "**Samdech Techo Hun Sen-Handa's Vision-100 Scholarships"** and "**Samdech Techo Hun Sen's Vision-100 Scholarships"** are:

1. To support the Royal Government's Triangle Strategy following the highly respected leadership of **Samdech Techo Hun Sen, Prime Minister** for human resource development, especially for the next generation to build strong and hard working individuals for the future of the nation;

2. To increase higher education, students' abilities, and intellectual development that can help the nation in this era of globalization, and also support Cambodia as it fully integrates into the region and the world at large;
3. To provide opportunities for students in poor rural areas to continue their studies and work towards obtaining a bachelor degree;
4. To reduce poverty by improving the quality of education, and to generate an opportunity for students to get a good job after graduation;
5. To build and develop a society in order to help to develop Cambodia for a prosperous future.

After **H.E. Dr. Kao Kim Hourn** presented his summary report for the Scholarship Awarding Ceremony, he then requested **Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo Hun Sen** to deliver his highest remarks.

Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo Hun Sen expressed his gratitude to the University of Cambodia for providing these scholarships and naming them after him. He emphasized that these scholarships are part of the larger effort to build up human resources and to help the development of the country. Moreover, the Prime Minister expressed his appreciation to the University of Cambodia, which has greatly developed and has further enhanced the quality of its lecturers. He further suggested that the scholarship winners should study hard because the outcomes of education will help support their living, their families, and the overall Cambodian economy.

Afterwards, **Samdech Techo Hun Sen, Prime Minister** presented 19 scholarships to students from different provinces before departing for the National Assembly. The Scholarship Awarding Ceremony continued to present the scholarship awards by **H.E. Dr. Hang Chuon Naron** and **H.E. Dr. Kao Kim Hourn**, after the departure of **the Prime Minister.**

This ceremony ended at 9:30am on the same day.