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Pre-Departure Orientation Seminar of the Participants of JICA Training Program for Young Leaders 2012

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The Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) Cambodia Office will organize the Pre-Departure Orientation Seminar for 31 Cambodian participants who will be dispatched for training in Japan under the JICA Training Program for Young Leaders 2012. The Seminar will be conducted on **Friday, 21st September starting at 8:30 AM until 5:00 PM at Cambodia-Japan Cooperation Center (CJCC), 1st Floor, Room No.9**, presided over by H.E. Mr. Phork Sovannarith, Secretary of State of the Ministry of Industrial, Mines and Energy, H.E. Mrs. Phoeurng Sackona, Secretary of State of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport, and Mr. SUZUKI Yasujiro, Chief Representative of JICA Cambodia Office.

The Pre-departure Orientation Seminar is typically organized prior to the departure to Japan, aimed at providing the participants with some lectures related to their specialized fields, the training program in Japan, and some useful information for their pre-departure preparation and the comfortable stay in Japan.

The 31 participants consist of two groups, in which 16 participants will be dispatched to Fukuoka for the group course of “Economic Administration (Industrial Development and Promotion)” from 24th September to 11th October 2012, and another 15 for the group course of “Science and Mathematics in Basic Education” that will be sent to Hiroshima from 8th - 25th October 2012.

Training Program for Young Leaders is one of the JICA’s technical cooperation programs which started in 1984 aimed at: first, providing Cambodian young government officials who are expected to play the leadership role in the future with opportunity to develop their specialized knowledge and skills through the training in Japan, and second, contributing to the promotion of mutual understanding and friendship between Japan and other countries in the world. Cambodia has taken part in this program since 1995. Up to now, there are 780 Cambodian young officials who have participated in this program in different fields in Japan.

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