A Send-Off Reception for the Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship (JDS) by Japanese Grant Aid fellows

On 3 August, a send-off reception for the departing students sponsored by Japanese Government Scholarship programs was held at Sunway Hotel.

JDS Scholarship is a part of the Japanese bilateral grant aid for human resource development. The scholarship targets mainly the master degree study through providing opportunity for Cambodian young government officials to conduct the researches that are relevant to the development of Cambodia.

JDS participants are expected to engage in socio-economic development in Cambodia and enhanced foundation for bilateral relations between Cambodia and Japan after the completion of their studies.

On behalf of the departing students, Ms. Heng Mealea, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, who will study International Relations at Waseda University, expressed her appreciation to the Japanese Government and reaffirmed her strong will for the academic achievement.

Since 2000, around 300 Cambodians have studied in Japan under JDS scholarship. The majority of the recipients have proceeded in taking up leadership positions in the public administrations upon their return to Cambodia.

Currently, the JDS scholarship is provided in fields of (1) Economic Infrastructure Development, (2) Private Sector Development, (3) Economic Development, (4) Agriculture and Rural Development, (5) Improvement of Education Quality, (6) Improvement of Administrative Functions, (7) Legal and Judicial Development, and (8) Building of International Relations.

The recruitment this year will open from August 8(Mon.) to October 12(Wed.), 2016. Explanatory meetings will be conducted in Phnom Penh, Battambang, and Siem Reap in August and September.

For more recruitment information, please visit the website: [http://jds-scholarship.org/country/cambodia/](http://jds-scholarship.org/country/cambodia/) or contact JICE JDS Office in Cambodia: Tel 023-217-944/012-681-611, E-mail: jds.cambodia1@jice.org