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PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT

This is to inform the public that the Chroy Changwar Bridge (Cambodia-Japan Friendship Bridge) will be temporarily closed from October 1, 2017 for its rehabilitation works. The alternate route for the river crossing will be the nearby bridge, so-called “Chinese bridge” and the traffic of Chinese bridge will be both directions.

The severe traffic issue like congestion is expected in the area surrounding the rehabilitation site particularly the roundabouts (Kuoch Kanong and Prum Mukbuon roundabouts) of the Chroy Changwar Bridge. The Ministry of Public Works and Transport and the Phnom Penh Capital Administration with the cooperation of the Japanese consultant will make maximum continuous efforts on the traffic management during the rehabilitation period to minimize the negative impacts on the travelers and vehicles passing this area such as the modification of the roundabouts, the provision of the traffic diversion solutions, and information sharing of the detour, etc.

The Ministry of Public Works and Transport and the Phnom Penh Capital Administration apologize for any inconvenience caused to the public during the rehabilitation period and will be very grateful for the understanding and the cooperation of the public by avoiding the traffic, if possible, at the roundabout area especially during the rush hours.

It is important for the public to understand as well that the rehabilitation of the Chroy Changwar Bridge is the response of the Japanese government to the urgent request of the Royal Government of Cambodia due to the deteriorated condition of the bridge for the public safe transportation and river crossing. The rehabilitation is supported by the Japanese grant aid project with the amount of 3,343 (three thousand three hundred and forty-three) million Japanese Yen (approximately 33 million USD). The rehabilitation work is required approximately 21 (twenty-one) months until June 2019.

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Traffic Direction at Kuoch Kanong Roundabout

Chinese Bridge

Old Chroy Changvar Bridge (to be closed)
Traffic Direction at Prum Mukbuon Roundabout

Chinese Bridge

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