

TRADE AGREEMENT
between
The Royal Government of Cambodia
and
The Government of the Republic of India

The Royal Government of Cambodia and the Government of the Republic of India (hereinafter referred to as the "**Contracting Parties**"),

Desirous of promoting friendly relations and of developing and facilitating trade and economic relations on the basis of equality and mutual interest between their two countries,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Contracting Parties shall, subject to the laws, regulations and procedure in force in their respective countries, take all appropriate measures to facilitate, strengthen and diversify trade between the two countries, on the basis of mutual advantage.

Article 2

The Contracting Parties shall encourage and provide necessary assistance to the relevant enterprises and organizations of each country to explore the scope for short and long arrangements in trade and, where appropriate, to conclude such contracts as may be mutually agreed upon.

Article 3

Each Contracting party, shall grant the other the Most Favored Nation Treatment in all matters relating to customs duties and foreign formalities in connection with the importation and/or exportation of products.

The above provision of this Agreement shall not apply to advantages, concession and exemptions, which either Contracting Party has granted or may grant:

- a) to contiguous and neighboring countries in order to facilitate frontier traffic;
- b) to countries who are members of a customs union or a free trade zone or a preferential trading arrangement that either of the Contracting Parties has joined or may join.

Article 4

In order to develop further trade between the two countries, the Contracting Parties shall encourage each other's participation in trade fairs and exhibitions organized in the territory of the other Contracting party on terms to be agreed between their competent authorities.

The exemptions from customs duties and other similar charges on articles and samples intended for trade fairs and exhibitions shall be subjected to the laws, rules and regulations of the country where such fairs and exhibitions are held.

Article 5

Any disputes that may arise from the interpretation of this Agreement shall be resolved through diplomatic channels.

Article 6

All payments between the two countries shall be effected in freely convertible currency that may be agreed upon by the Contracting Parties in accordance with the foreign exchange legislation in force in each country.

Article 7

Subject to the requirement, the provisions of this Agreement shall not limit the rights to either Contracting Party to adopt or execute measures:

- a) for reasons of public health, public morals, order or security;
- b) for the protection of plants and animals against diseases and pests;
- c) to protect national treasures of artistic, historical or archaeological value.

Article 8

Either Contracting party may propose in writing such amendments to the present Agreement at any time and to which the other Contracting party shall reply within three (3) months upon receipt of such proposal.

Any alteration or modification of this Agreement shall be done mutually without prejudice to the rights and obligations arising from this Agreement prior to the date of such alteration or modification until such rights and obligations are fully implemented.

Article 9

This Agreement shall come into effect on the date of its signature and shall remain in force for a period of five (5) years.

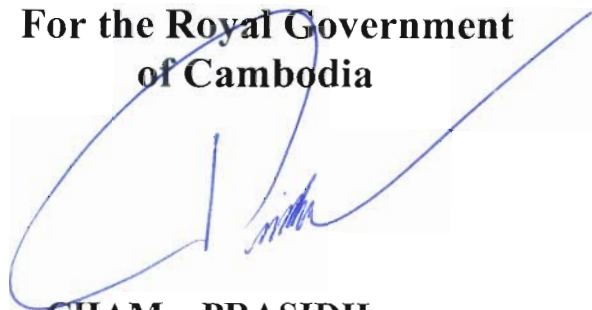
Thereafter, it shall automatically be extended for a period of one year (01) at a time unless either contracting party gives a written notice of its intention to terminate the Agreement at least three months(3) prior to the expiry of the validity of the Agreement.

Article 10

The provisions of this Agreement shall apply, even after its termination, to contracts entered into during the period of the validity of this Agreement but not fully consummated on the day of the termination of this Agreement.

Done at Phnom Penh on November 06, 2002 in 02 (two) originals, in Khmer, Hindi and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In the event of discrepancy the English text shall prevail.

**For the Royal Government
of Cambodia**



**CHAM PRASIDH
Minister of Commerce**

**For the Government of
the Republic of India**



**YASHWANT SINHA
Minister of External Affairs**