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ON

EDUCATION, TREATMENT, AND REHABILITATION MEASURES TO DRUG
USERS

Having seen the increase of drug abuse amongst workers, laborers, especially youth in the last few years that has caused a loss of human resource, economic and social affairs impact, shrink of country development that make so concerned to the Royal government, communities, families as well as left many victims who have been provided rescuing, treatment, and rehabilitation services by the competent institutions.

For this dangerous state, to contribute the implementation of the Royal Government's strategic policy and to achieve a five-year national plan on drug control of National Authority of Combating Drug (NACD), the Royal Government would like to convey instructions to Ministries, departments, relevant competent institutions, and local authorities to carry out measures carefully and seriously as follows:

1. Municipal/provincial authorities, especially the cities and provinces existing a lot of drug addicts, should find at least one place to organize a center for treating and rehabilitating them in collaboration with relevant Ministries and specialized institutions. Meanwhile communities, families, and former addicts should be encouraged to involve towards setting up a role model free-drug community.
2. Ministry of Social Affairs, Veterans, and Youth Rehabilitation (MOSALVY) should cooperate with the relevant Ministries and departments, and city/provincial authorities to manage its rehabilitation center, which was found and is under way in Phnom Penh City and other provinces.
3. The Ministry of Health should increase its remedy profession to treat drug users in Phnom Penh and provide consultation services to provincial/city referral hospitals for advice and treatment to drug users who were referred as well as setting up a technical norm to monitor drug users treatment service at each community center and removing any clinic without a license from Ministry of Health.
4. NACD, according to the need of budget for a center construction and expenses to drug user education, treatment, and rehabilitation service, should integrate its budget plan into the annual budget plan of the Ministry of Interior. The budget will be provided through the line Ministry of Interior, which is its guardian.

5. Meanwhile strengthening preventive measures on drug production and illegal flow of drug and drug abuse, the Ministry of Interior, Ministry of National Defense, and Ministry of Justice should consider organizing a feasible place for drug users collecting from municipal/provincial police commissariats and military police headquarters to reeducate them and return them to the fold.
6. Ministry of Education, Youth, and Sport should cooperate with the relevant Ministries and departments to compile and produce educational materials for dissemination on drug issues and integrate them into national program of both formal and non-formal education from elementary to higher education level, and should take action to prevent negative activities in schools and educational institutions from gangsters who induce students into debauchery.
7. Ministry of Information should exclusively spread information on drug awareness and danger of drug abuse to the public and mainstream contents into all kinds of dissemination and private and state media.
8. Ministry of Culture and Fine Arts should involve in all forms of arts to educate mass citizens to be aware of the danger of drug, and convey instructions to all private and state cinema managers to show documentary on drug issues in short spots before their daily movies shown.
9. Ministry of Cults and Religions should convey instructions to its provincial/city departments in collaboration with local authorities to encourage monks/nuns at pagodas and religious associations to involve in drug users education, treatment, and rehabilitation through religious activities.
10. Ministry of Women Affairs, provincial/city departments of women affairs, should cooperate with local authorities to increase and strengthen women and children education, especially women as mothers and guardians in order to prevent drug use in their families and communities through the implementation of Neary Rattanak plan of the Ministry of Women Affairs.
11. Provincial/city authorities should convey instructions to business, owners of house rentals, guest houses, hotels, pubs, restaurants, nightclubs, discotheque, and entertainment parlors on prohibition of all kinds of drug and will not allow using these places said for illegal drug distribution. In case of drug abuse took place shall be carried out according to the applicable laws.
12. NACD should facilitate all work with relevant Ministries, departments, private sector, NGOs, and civil society to draft the government policy on drug user education, treatment, and rehabilitation, and measures on prevention of HIV/AIDs spread resulting from drug abuse to attain achievement.

When this Directive received, Deputy Prime Ministers, Senior Ministers, Ministers of all relevant Ministries, institutions, NACD, and all local authorities should manage effectively the implementation of this Directive.

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- Ministry of Royal Palace
- Secretariat of Senate
- Secretariat of National Assembly
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- Cabinet of Prime Minister
- All members of NACD
- All Ministries and provincial/city authorities
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