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**Secretariat of National Committee on Trade Facilitation**

# **UNCTAD Global Forum for NTFCs**

## **Roles of Private Sector in NCTF**

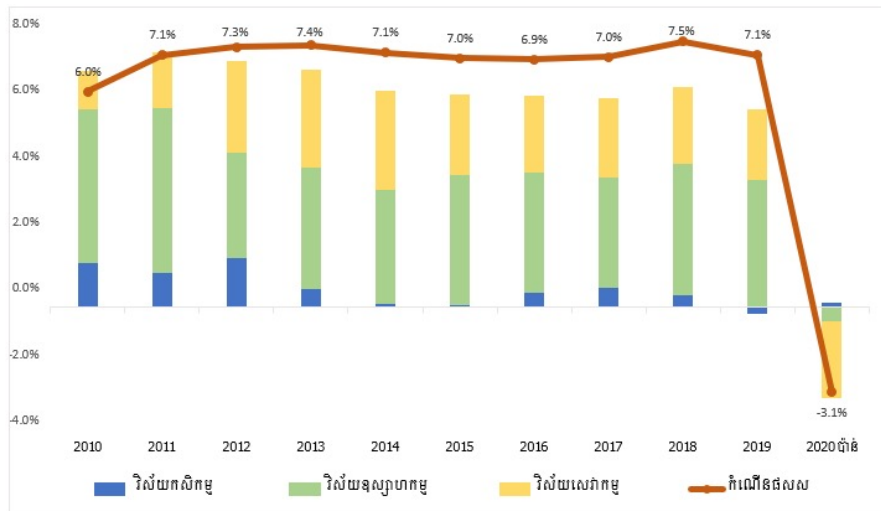
## **Accelerating PPP for Trade Facilitation Reform in Cambodia**

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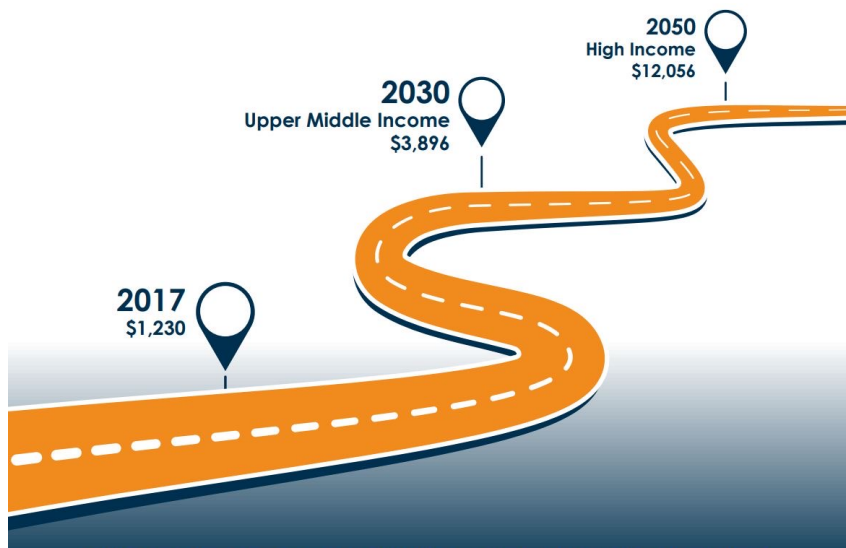
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# I. Background

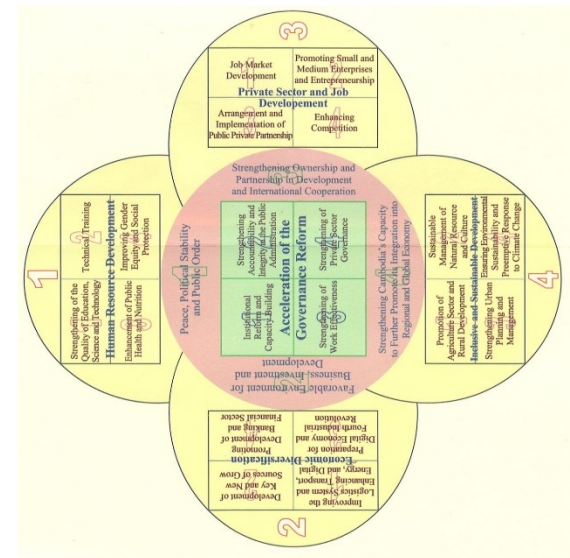


Source : Ministry of Economy and Finance, 2022



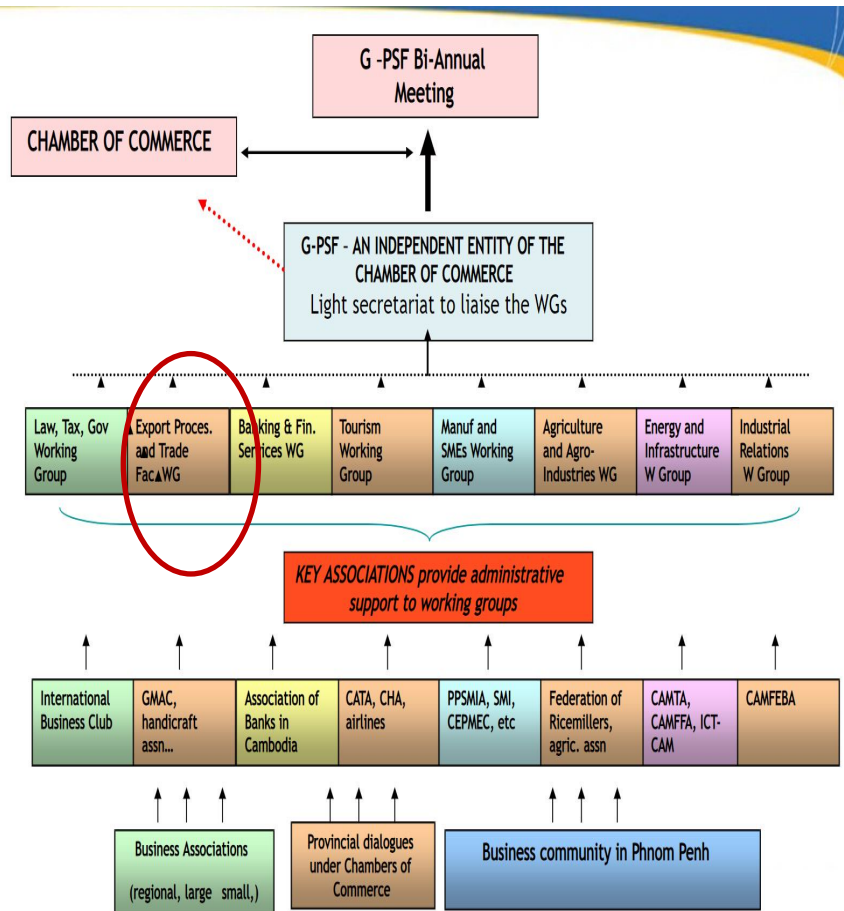
Source : World Bank, 2018

- GDP Growth Rate: -3.1 in 2020, expect 2% in 2021.
- Asia New Tiger Economy in May 2016
- 2014, the World Bank named Cambodia to join the Olympians of Growth that “Cambodia has grown at a yearly average growth rate of 7.7 percent for two decades, making it the sixth fastest growing country in the world over”.
- Cambodia joined the middle income club in July 2016
- GDP per capita: 1,730 USD in 2021
- the poverty rate declined to 17.8% in 2021, compared to 47.8% in 2007
- Vision (Middle Income in 2030, high income 2050)



Source : Rectangular Strategy

# I. Background



Source: Sok Chenda, Success story of the Royal Government of Cambodia, April 2009



- In 1999, the Government Private Sector Forum (G-PSF), was established
  - One of the eight Working group is on export processing and trade facilitation
- Since 2004, Government views the “private sector as the locomotive of economic growth in Rectangular Strategy 1 to 4
- 2016, Government Policy Paper on Public-Private Partnerships 2016 – 2020
- 22 Feb 2017, WTO TFA came into force
- 26 Feb 2020, NCTF was established
- 13 August 2020, Customs serves as NCTF Secretariat
- 15 Nov 2021, Government has approved the draft Law on Public-Private Partnerships

## II. Private Sectors and Trade Facilitation Reforms



On International Customs Day, January 26, 2010, under the approval of the Royal Government of Cambodia, the Customs-Private Sector Partnership Mechanism-CPPM was established for the first time in her history.

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#### Cambodia's Customs-private sector partnership mechanism

On International Customs Day in Phnom Penh, the Customs-Private Sector Partnership Mechanism (CPPM) was established for the first time in Cambodia's history with the approval of the Royal Government of Cambodia. The official launch was presided over by H.E. Dr. Pen Siman, Delegate of the Royal Government of Cambodia, Director General of Customs and Excise and also Chairperson of the CPPM.



*The Customs Management Board and private sector representatives*

CPPM is to accelerate a better cooperation, and to insure the efficiency the implementation of trade facilitation policy of the Royal Government of Cambodia

- To build trust and mutual understanding and cooperation between customs and private sector.
- To promote fiscal morality, trade facilitation in order to enhance the compliance of laws and regulations.
- To insure that all customs related issues be consulted or solved at CPPM before the issues are brought to Government-Private Sector Forum.



# CPPM



Meeting	Request/Issues	Issue solved
CPPM1	7	5 (1 to MEF, 1 to Inter- Ministerial )
CPPM2	17	15(1 to RGC, 1 to OGA)
CPPM3	25	23
CPPM4	16	13 (2 to RGC, 1 to MEF)
CPPM5	48	45 (1 to RGC, 2 to MEF)
CPPM6	16	13(3 to RGC)
CPPM7	5	5
CPPM ad	8	8
CPPM8	12	12
Total	154	139 (15 to RGC, MEF, and OGAs)

## CPPM8, Hybrid Meeting, 30 November 2021



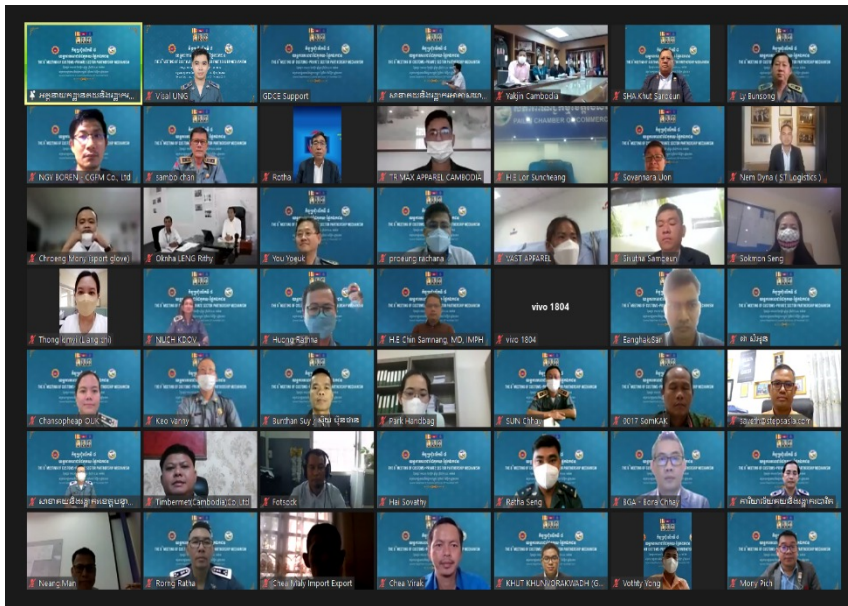
CPPM is Co-chaired by Customs and Business

Three working group :

- Customs-Export Oriented Garment Industry
- Customs-Export Oriented Non-Garment Industry
- Customs-Domestic Market Oriented Business

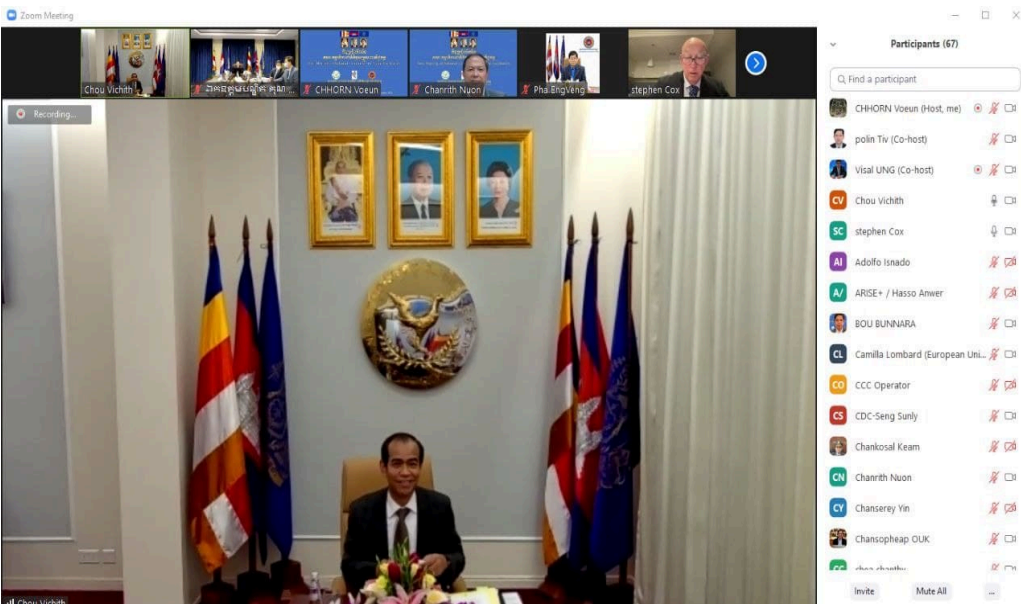
Regular meeting between Customs and Business association

- Customs Forum with Chamber of Commerce
- Rice, Petroleum, Car, Fish Farm Association, and others
- JBAC, Kotra, EuroCham, CAIF, CADA, others
- EU-ABC, US-ABC



# Role of Private Sector in NCTF

## National Committee on Trade Facilitation Meeting, 2021



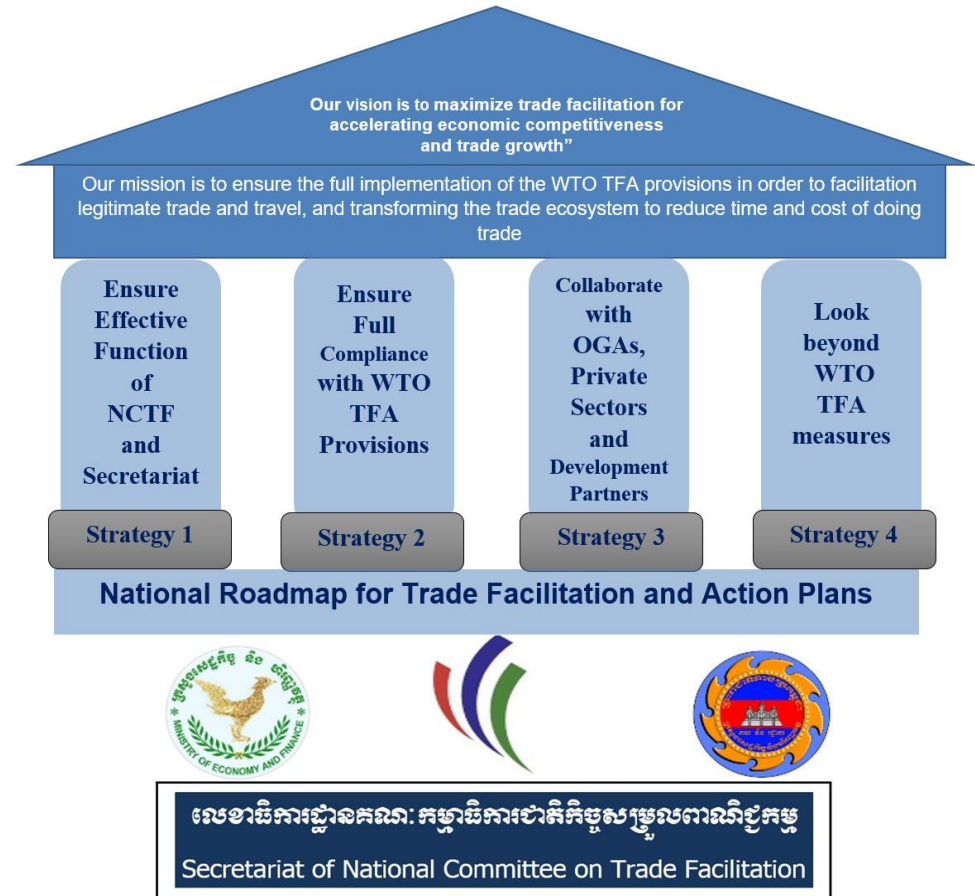
H.E. Chou Vichet, Chairman of NCTF

- Chamber of Cambodia is member of NCTF
- National Roadmap and action plan was drafted based on inputs from Private Sector and OGAs
- Private Sector and OGAs are invited to be part of technical working group of NCTF.
- Strategic Objective 3 of the roadmap focus on collaboration with Private Sector among others

# III. Concluding Remarks and Ways Forward

- Cooperation with Business benefit not only in trade facilitation reform(reduce time and cost of trade), but revenue collection, control, and improving overall compliance
- More capacity building needed for Private Sector in TF reforms
- Few OGAs are more active on engagement with Private Sector
- During and post pandemic, closer cooperation are needed, especially for Cambodia to realize her vision

## National Roadmap for Trade Facilitation 2022-2025





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