

Study Program on the Effective Development and Utilization of IP Asset



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Role and Duties of BCL



Facilitates smoothly all Intellectual Property Affairs in accordance with the tasks and duties of Intellectual Property Department which has its role as the Secretariat of the Intellectual Property Committee.

Examines Cambodia's obligations on Intellectual Property through promotion of drafting laws related to the implementation of the agreements in which Cambodia is a signatory.

Role and Duties of BCL



Coordinates to conduct study research on treaties, conventions, and any agreements administered by World Intellectual property Organization in order to determine its affects and benefits prior to the accession of Cambodia as a member or signatory.

Coordinates with International Cooperation Department to receive Technical Assistance of International Community and International Organizations on Intellectual Property.

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Role and Duties of BCL cont.



Coordinates with concerned institutions to disseminate Intellectual Property Laws.
Coordinates and facilitate in the drafting of laws and regulations under the jurisdiction of the Ministry.

Coordinates with Legal Compliance Department to facilitate the drafting of laws and regulations under the jurisdiction of the Intellectual Property Department.

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Membership of IPRs Conventions



World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) on July 25, 1995.

Paris Convention on September 22, 1998

The Trade Relations and Intellectual Property Rights Protection Agreement between Cambodia and the United States of America on October 25, 1996

ASEAN Framework Agreement on Intellectual Property Cooperation on April 30, 1999

Member of WTO in 2004

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National Committee for Intellectual Property (NCIPR)



NCIPR was established by Sub-Decree of the Council of Ministers No. 142 on September 18, 2008 (the replacement of Ministerial Committee Governing the Three Areas of IP established by Declaration of the Council of Ministers in 1999).

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National Committee for Intellectual Property (NCIPR)



- 1- Minister of MoC : Chairman
 - Department of Intellectual Property Rights (D/IPR): Secretariat
- 2- Secretary of State of MIME : Deputy
- 3- Secretary of State of MCFA : Deputy
- 4- Office of Prime Minister : Member
- 5- Min. Interior : Member
- 6- Min. Economics and Finance : Member
- 7- Min. Information : Member

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National Committee for Intellectual Property (NCIPR)



- 8- Min. Post & Telecommunication: Member
- 9- Min. Health : Member
- 10- Min. Agriculture : Member
- 11- Min. Environment : Member
- 12- Min. Justice : Member
- 13- Min. Education : Member
- 14- Min. Tourism : Member

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Main IP Law and Regulation



1. Marks, Trade Names, and Acts of Unfair Competition (TM Law) was promulgated on Feb.07, 2002
-Sub-Decree for Implementing TM law adopted on July 12, 2006

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Law and Regulation



2. Patents, Industrial Designs, and Utility Models (promulgated on January 02, 03)
- Declaration of Implementing the Law was introduced on June 29, 2006

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3. Copyrights & Related Rights Law:
Promulgated on March 05, 2003
- Sub-Decree on Collective
Management is being studied



4. Seed Law including Breeder Right
Protection: promulgated on 13
May 2008
5. Geographical Indications (GIs)
being drafted and amended (TA
from French with recommendation
from the USA). It would be
promulgated in 2010



IP Action Plan (2009-2110)

39 Activities

1. Prepare IP Legislations and Access to IP International Treaties:11 Activities

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2. Promote Capacity Building among IP Offices:16 Activities

Upgrade administration of IP in Cambodia and support both by a coordinated development of IP Offices capacities and the development of IP Professionals/Experts in Cambodia.

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3. Develop regulations, Procedures and Guidelines:7 Activities

Development of IP enforcement capacities and networking between agencies as well as with the private sector-lawyers, companies.



4. Public Awareness: 5 Activities

Increased private sector awareness on the importance of IP protection. Fostering IP Asset Creation.

Thank You

