

**Speech of Mr. Suzuki Yasujiro, Chief Representative
On the occasion of The Final Report on the Project of Capacity
Development on ICT at NiDA(2nd JCC Meeting), January 14, 2010**

[Your] Excellency Dr. Phu Leewood, Secretary General of NiDA,
Distinguished Guests,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

First of all, on behalf of Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), I would like to take this opportunity to thank for the efforts of NiDA to make this event possible in sharing experiences and lessons of what we have achieved in the Project.

As for cooperation for ICT sector conducted by JICA, we extended its support through a technical cooperation scheme, dispatching six JICA experts in 2004 to NiDA. This includes Mr. Fuse, Chief Advisor here, to study the need to deploy “e-Cambodia” nationwide.

Based on this, Japan extended further support through a technical cooperation project in February 2008 to NiDA, under the name of “The Project of Capacity Development on ICT Management at NiDA”. This project has been implemented by NiDA task force members, supported by a number of JICA experts during these two years.

The Project has been implemented aiming at three output pillars. Which are:

- 1) to develop practical human resources (HRD) in NiDA
- 2) to perform information security initiatives
- 3) and to introduce the IT engineers examination on trial basis to Cambodia.

The project has achieved certain results, delivering various outputs such as proposal for National ICT Policy, Study report on e-Government service deployment plan and Government Information Security Management System Manuals. Let me take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to NiDA for the hard work and great effort put into this project.

I assume that through this Capacity Development Project, NiDA must improve its skills and knowledge. Not only their individual capability but also as a unite organization, NiDA has enhanced its robustness.

Next step is how to materialize these achievements nationwide in order to pursue NiDA's accountability. To deploy Information Security Framework and ICT Policy at national level, strong initiatives of NiDA should be taken. I assume that outcome reports supported by JICA Experts will be very helpful in this process. Today also, "a proposal for Action Plan for developing ICT in Cambodia" becomes available to indicate what should be targeted at NiDA for continuous Capacity Development. It is strongly recommended for NiDA to implement the actions indicated.

This Project will complete in this January. In order to continue to encourage ICT development in Cambodia, where NiDA can play a critical role, all of the deliverables can be helpful.

I am sure that those actions would reward with enormous benefits to NiDA as well as all of the stakeholders in your country.

Once again, on behalf of JICA, I would like to express our sincere gratitude to His Excellency Dr. Phu Leewood, distinguished guests, NiDA officials and JICA experts working for the project.

Thank you.