

**Kingdom of Cambodia
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Council of Ministers
Ministry of Environment
Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
No. 1563

**PRAKAS RUOM (JOINT DECLARATION)
on the
Prevention of the Destruction of all types of Wildlife Animals in the
Kingdom of Cambodia**

**The Minister of Environment
and
The Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries**

- Referring to the Constitution of the Kingdom of Cambodia;
- Referring to Reach Kret of His Majesty, King Norodom Sihanouk of November 1, 1993 on the formation of the Royal Government of Cambodia;
- Referring to the Approval of the National Assembly on the Composition of the Royal Government dated October 29, 1993;
- Referring to Kret-Chhbab No. 35 of June 25, 1989;
- Referring to the Letter of June 4, 1996 of Prince Norodom Ranaridh, First Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia;
- Pursuant to the destruction of all types of wildlife animals in the Natural Protected Areas.

IT IS HEREBY DECIDED

Chapter I: General Provision

Article 1:

All wildlife including mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians and insects which are the natural resources shall be considered as state properties.

Article 2:

All wildlife shall be divided into 2 categories:

- A. Endangered Wildlife.
- B. Protected Wildlife.

Article 3:

Endangered Wildlife are all types of wildlife classified as endangered animal as provided in Prakas No. 359 BK of August 1, 1994 on the Protected Wildlife Species.

Article 4:

Protected wildlife species are the wildlife animals not listed in Article 3 of Wildlife Animals Classification List. These wildlife species shall be classified into the list of Protected Wildlife Species once the researches are completed.

Chapter II: Hunting and Commercial Transaction of Wildlife Animals

Article 5:

Any hunting, trapping, explosion, poisoning, or other forms of capture of wildlife animals or any of their body parts shall be prohibited until new provisions have been adopted.

Article 6:

Any commercial transaction or transportation of live wildlife animals, meats, eggs, species (bone, leather, tusk, teeth, fangs, gallbladders) and other animal productions shall be prohibited.

Article 7:

Any taking of meat, blood, gall bladders, egg of wildlife for the purpose of serving food in restaurants and night clubs, etc. shall be prohibited.

Chapter III: Penalty

Article 8:

Any person who violate the above Articles shall be subjected to fine ranging from 10,000 (ten thousand) Riels to 1,000,000 (one million) Riels in addition to the confiscating of evidence, or equipment, vehicles, and tools used for the commission of the offences as the State properties. For the second offense, a legal action shall be filed with the court.

Chapter IV: Amendments

Article 9:

All capture and transport of wildlife animals, species and any body parts of such wildlife animals may be conducted provided there is a prior authorization from the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries and the Ministry of Environment.

Article 10:

This Prakas may be amended by the legal competent authorities pursuant to the maid needs of the Kingdom of Cambodia.

Chapter V: Final Provisions

Article 11:

The General Departments, Offices, Departments of Forestry, Fisheries, of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Department of Natural Preservation of the Ministry of Environment, Offices of Agriculture and Environment throughout the Kingdom of Cambodia shall effectively implement this Prakas from the date of its signature.

Article 12:

This Prakas shall enter into force from the date of its signature.

Minister of MAFF

Tao Seng Hour

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- Cabinet of the King
- Secretariat of National Assembly
- Cabinet of the First Prime Minister
- Cabinet of the Second Prime Minister
- Cabinet of the Council of Ministers
- All Ministries/Secretariats
- All Provincials/Municipals Offices
- All Institutions under the jurisdiction of the MAFF and MOE
- All Tertiary, Secondary School Establishments,
- Provincials/Municipals Office of Environment
- File

Phnom Penh, September 20, 1996
Minister of Environment
H.E. Dr Mok Mareth