

Press Release
on the Situation Following the Ceasefire Agreement from 6:00 PM on 30 December to
1:00 PM on 31 December 2025



From 6:00 PM on 30 December to 1:00 PM on 31 December 2025, the heroic Cambodian forces and the Thai military have implemented the ceasefire, resulting in a calm situation during which displaced civilians gradually resumed residence in their homes, and all 18 Cambodian heroic soldiers safely repatriated to the country in accordance with the Joint Statement of the 3rd Special General Border Committee (GBC) at the Prum International Border Crossing in Pailin Province on 27 December 2025.

1. Situation of Displaced Persons: From 6:00 PM on 30 December to 1:00 PM on 31 December 2025, **1,232** displaced persons have begun returning to their homes. Meanwhile, in **Koh Kong Province**, no displaced persons remain in safety camps, resulting in a remaining total of 573,151 displaced persons, including 299,648 women and 180,099 children.

2. The Continued Closure and Resumption of Essential Public Services: According to preliminary report, in **Banteay Meanchey Province**, 321 schools (237 public and 84 private), 7 hospitals/health centers, and a number of commune/sangkat administrative offices remain suspended, while 9 schools, 15 hospitals/health centers, and a number of provincial and city/district administrative offices have resumed operations. In **Preah Vihear Province**, 61 schools and 14 hospitals/health centers remain suspended, while 1 district administrative office and 6 commune administrative offices have resumed operations. In **Oddar Meanchey Province**, 218 schools, 14 hospitals/health centers, 1 provincial administrative office, 2 city/district administrative offices, 9 commune-sangkat administrative offices, and 1 administrative police station remain suspended, while 42 schools, 4 hospitals/health centers, 3 district administrative offices, 10 law-enforcement units, 15 commune administrative offices, and 23 administrative police stations have resumed operations. In **Koh Kong Province**, 51 out of 66 suspended schools have resumed operations.

3. Destruction of Civilian Physical Infrastructure: **There was no additional damage.** From 7 December 2025, **damage to private property** includes 160 civilian houses, 7 privately owned buildings, 5 apartments/hotels, one gas station, 33 cars, one motorcycle, one cassava purchasing warehouse, one storage warehouse, 2 cell towers, one rice barn, and 2 animals/wildlife. **Damage to public property** includes 7 schools, 2 health centers, 14 government office buildings, 5 pagodas, one almsgiving hall, one vehicle, 4 ancient temples, 5 bridges, one market, 3 road sections, and one electricity supply facility.

4. Measures to Rehabilitate Houses and Villages of Displaced Persons: In **Oddar Meanchey Province**, 11,106 families have returned to reside in their homes, and a total of 84 villages remains inaccessible for civilian to return, while the other 72 villages have already had housing arrangements prepared by the relevant authorities and officials. In **Banteay Meanchey Province**, 3,159 families have returned to reside in their homes. Overall, **the Ministry of Interior of the Royal Government of Cambodia**, in coordination with relevant institutions and provincial, municipal, district, and commune-sangkat administrations, is focusing its attention on reviewing and addressing multiple priority matters in order to ensure the restoration of normalcy of basic public services across cities, districts, and communes-sangkats, particularly in border provinces that were closed or suspended in the past period, as well as creating favorable conditions for displaced persons to return to their homes safely and as soon as possible. These efforts include addressing immediate needs related to damaged houses and villages, clearing unexploded ordnance, as well as **reviewing and continuing the prohibition on the operation of unmanned aerial vehicles (drones)** in all locations and at all times until further notice.

5. Deaths and Injuries: There were no additional deaths or injuries. In total, from 7 December to 1:00 PM on 31 December 2025, there have been 32 civilian deaths and 95 injuries.

With regard to the latest developments in the pursuit of peace, **the Ministry of Interior of the Royal Government of Cambodia** hereby expresses its support for the firm and clear stance of **Samdech Thipadei Hun Manet**, who has emphasized that **the implementation of the ceasefire does not constitute surrender, nor does it involve exchanging territorial integrity or national sovereignty for peace.** On the contrary, this approach is firmly grounded in the principle of safeguarding the lives of civilians and protecting national sovereignty through peaceful means in accordance with international law, with the aim of ending hostility between the two countries. Furthermore, the Ministry calls upon fellow citizens to place their trust in the Royal Government, to unite under the single spirit of Khmer national solidarity, and to transform this hardship into an opportunity for all Cambodians to work hand in hand to build a stronger and more prosperous nation. At the same time, **the Ministry of Interior of the Royal Government of Cambodia** expresses its appreciation for another positive outcome arising from the implementation of the Royal Government's **"Quiet but Not Silent"** strategy, namely the safe and dignified repatriation of all 18 Cambodian heroic soldiers on 31 December 2025.

The Ministry of Interior of the Royal Government of Cambodia respectfully expresses its sincere gratitude and full support for **Samdech Techo Hun Sen** and **Samdech Thipadei Hun Manet** for the soundly formulated and effective national defense strategy, which has provided the Cambodian people, both within the country and abroad, with an increased sense of reassurance. In particular, the Ministry extends its recognition to the frontline forces who maintained a firm and resolute presence for **20 nights and 21 days** in defense of national sovereignty and the people. **We pay our deepest respect and tribute to the fallen heroes and share in the sorrow and mourning of their families, honoring their sacrifice and service to the nation.** We also wish a swift and full recovery to the wounded forces who are currently receiving medical treatment in hospitals. May our fellow citizens continue to uphold the enduring spirit of Khmer unity forever.

Phnom Penh, 31 December 2025