

**Press Release**  
**on the Situation of Displaced Persons and Impact on Civilian Areas**  
**from 6:00 AM on 22 March to 6:00 AM on 23 March 2026**



**The Ministry of Interior of the Royal Government of Cambodia** wishes to inform that, since the ceasefire between Cambodia and Thailand came into effect on 27 December 2025, the Thai side has not fully adhered to the Joint Statement of the 3rd Special General Border Committee (GBC). **The Ministry of Interior** has continued to document all acts of bad faith by the Thai side. Simultaneously, the Ministry remains committed to addressing the impacts of aggression on the civilian population and the community, particularly for citizens who remain displaced from their homes.

In this regard, **the Ministry of Interior of the Royal Government of Cambodia** would like to provide an update on the overall situation from 6:00 AM on 22 March to 6:00 AM on 23 March 2026, as follows:

**1. Situation of Displaced Persons:** An additional 38 displaced persons have returned to their homes. Therefore, out of the total of more than 640,000 displaced persons, over 610,000 or more than 94% have returned to their homes. There are 36,282 displaced persons remaining, including 18,786 women and 12,279 children, who have not yet been able to return to their homes.

**2. The Continued Suspension of Essential Public Services:** 8 schools and 5 hospitals/health centers in **Oddar Meanchey Province**, 5 schools and 1 hospital/health center in **Banteay Meanchey Province**, and 7 schools and 2 hospitals/health centers in **Preah Vihear Province** remain closed.

**3. Destruction of Civilian Physical Infrastructure:** Since 7 December 2025, no new reports have been recorded regarding damage to public and private property beyond the cases already documented by the Ministry.

**The Ministry of Interior of the Royal Government of Cambodia** expresses its full support for the Royal Government's recent formal protest against the continued acts of encroachment and unlawful occupation of land undertaken by Thai armed forces, following the ceasefire of 27 December 2025. Most recently, these actions have included burning and destroying the homes of Cambodian citizens in the Boeung Trakuon area, clearing land, constructing roads and concrete structures extending from the K'nar Temple area toward the Ta Krabey Temple area, and conducting land surveying and allocations at three locations for their own citizens between boundary pillars 46 and 47 in Chouk Chey Village, O'Bei Choan Commune, O'Chrov District, Banteay Meanchey Province. These areas are within Cambodia's lawful sovereignty, as defined by the Franco-Siamese treaties of 1904 and 1907. These actions further violate the 2000 Memorandum of Understanding on the Survey and Demarcation of Land Boundary and the Joint Statement of the 3rd Special Meeting of the General Border Committee (GBC) in December 2025. The Thai side must cease the above actions, whether in these or other areas, and must refrain from further unilateral actions of this nature.

**The Ministry of Interior of the Royal Government of Cambodia** urges the national and international community to continue providing support and confidence in the commitment of the Royal Government of Cambodia, under the leadership of **Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei Hun Manet**, Prime Minister. Cambodia is committed to resolving border disputes with Thailand through peaceful means, in adherence to international law and bilateral agreements, and remains resolute in the principle that **borders must not be altered by force**, a principle Cambodia has faithfully upheld in the spirit of good cooperation with its other neighbors.

Phnom Penh, 23 March 2026