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Outcomes of the 29th ASEAN Plus Three Summit, the 29th ASEAN-Japan Summit, the 23rd ASEAN-India Summit, the 21st East Asia Summit, the ASEAN-United States Special Summit, and Related Meetings

On 17 November 2026, at the invitation of **His Excellency Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, **Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei HUN Manet**, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, attended the 29th ASEAN Plus Three (APT) Summit, the 29th ASEAN-Japan Summit, 23rd ASEAN-India Summit, the 21st East Asia Summit (EAS), the ASEAN-United States (U.S.) Special Summit, and other related Meetings, held in Manila, the Philippines.

I. The 29th ASEAN Plus Three (APT) Summit

The Summit reaffirmed the APT process as a key platform for regional cooperation in East Asia, with ASEAN as the driving force, and underscored the importance of regional resilience, economic integration and an open, rules-based multilateral trading system. The Summit adopted two Leaders' Statements: on Maritime Trade and Logistics Connectivity, and on Strengthening Energy and Food Security Resilience.

At the Summit, **Samdech Thipadei Prime Minister** underlined the importance of deepening trade and investment through the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) and upgraded free trade agreements; strengthening the regional financial safety net through the Chiang Mai Initiative Multilateralisation (CMIM) and ASEAN+3 Macroeconomic Research Office (AMRO); and enhancing energy and food security. He also called for greater Plus Three support for ASEAN's digital transformation, particularly the implementation of the ASEAN Digital Economy Framework Agreement (DEFA), to benefit MSMEs and young people. Looking ahead to the 30th anniversary of APT cooperation in 2027, he encouraged stronger efforts

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to translate the longstanding partnership into concrete results for regional resilience and shared prosperity.

II. The 29th ASEAN-Japan Summit

The Summit reaffirmed the commitment to strengthening the ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP) in support of regional peace, stability and prosperity, and ASEAN 2045: Our Shared Future. The Leaders welcomed progress in implementing the Joint Vision Statement on ASEAN-Japan Friendship and Cooperation: Trusted Partners, and adopted the Joint Statement on Realising Economic Resilience.

Samdech Thipadei Prime Minister commended Japan as one of ASEAN's most trusted partners and highlighted three priorities: further strengthening practical cooperation to contribute to regional peace and stability, based on the shared principles of upholding International law, ASEAN Centrality, openness, and Inclusiveness; deepening trade and investment through the RCEP, DEFA and the upgrading of the ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement; and investing in human capital, digital skills, advanced technologies and artificial intelligence.

III. The 23rd ASEAN-India Summit

The Summit reaffirmed the commitment to strengthening the ASEAN-India CSP in support of ASEAN 2045: Our Shared Future, and underscored the importance of ASEAN Centrality and ASEAN-led mechanisms. The Summit adopted the ASEAN-India Joint Statement on Disaster Preparedness and Management and welcomed 2026 as the ASEAN-India Year of Maritime Cooperation. The Leaders also looked forward to the 35th anniversary of ASEAN-India relations in 2027.

Samdech Thipadei Prime Minister expressed appreciation for India's steadfast commitment to ASEAN and described India as a bridging state for the Global South. He highlighted five priorities: advancing trade and investment, including the review of the ASEAN-India Trade in Goods Agreement; developing resilient semiconductor supply chains; deepening cooperation in artificial intelligence and digital technologies; promoting science, education and skills development; and enhancing tourism and air connectivity. He also recognised India's contributions to Cambodia's cultural heritage conservation and welcomed Air Cambodia's direct flights between Phnom Penh and New Delhi.

IV. The 21st East Asia Summit (EAS)

The Summit reaffirmed the EAS as the premier Leaders-led forum for strategic dialogue and cooperation, with ASEAN at its centre. The Leaders underscored ASEAN Centrality, an open, inclusive and rules-based regional architecture, and the peaceful settlement of disputes in accordance with international law. They also reaffirmed the relevance of the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia (TAC), marking its 50th anniversary. Moreover, they adopted the East Asia Summit Declaration on Navigating Our Future Together: Stability and Renewal, and the East Asia Summit Leaders' Statement on Strengthening Cooperation against Online Scams and Related Offences.

In his intervention, **Samdech Thipadei Prime Minister** called on Thailand to work with Cambodia to promptly resume the survey and demarcation work by the Joint Boundary Commission (JBC), in accordance with the Kuala Lumpur Joint Declaration of 26 October 2025 and the Joint Statement of 27 December 2025, with a view to achieving lasting peace between the two countries.

Samdech Thipadei emphasized that online scams pose a serious transnational threat that requires collective action and should never be weaponized by one country against another. He reaffirmed Cambodia's firm commitment to combating online scams, highlighting the establishment of the national-level Commission on Combating Online Scams (CCOS) under his direct leadership, the enactment of the Law on Combating Online Scams, and the successful dismantling of all large-scale scam compounds in the Kingdom. He also highlighted Cambodia's successful hosting of the International Conference on Combating Online Scams in September 2026 with the adoption of the Phnom Penh Declaration – a testament to our collective resolve to break the chain and eradicate Online Scams once and for all.

V. ASEAN-U.S. Special Summit

The ASEAN-U.S. Leaders reaffirmed the commitment to strengthening the ASEAN-U.S. CSP and welcomed the adoption of Comprehensive Work Plan (2026-2030) to implement the ASEAN-U.S. Leaders' Joint Vision Statement on Promoting a Stronger, Safer and More Prosperous ASEAN and America. The Special Summit also adopted the ASEAN-U.S. Statement on 10 Public-Private Partnership Principles for Tackling Online Scams, and looked forward to the 50th anniversary of ASEAN-U.S. Dialogue Relations and the 5th anniversary of the CSP in 2027.

VI. Other Related Meetings

At the 4th Asia Zero-Emission Community (AZEC) Leaders' Meeting, **Samdech Thipadei Prime Minister** welcomed AZEC's stronger focus on economic and energy resilience, reaffirming Cambodia's commitment to advancing climate action, economic growth, and energy security under the principle of "one goal, various pathways." He also welcomed Japan's initiatives on energy and resource resilience, including oil stockpiling, and encouraged closer regional cooperation on energy security and emergency responses.

Samdech Thipadei highlighted Cambodia's investments in renewable energy, electricity transmission, and energy storage, as well as its contribution to the ASEAN Power Grid and regional electricity integration. He also welcomed initiatives to mobilise transition financing, facilitate technology transfer, and strengthen capacity-building, reaffirming Cambodia's commitment to achieving carbon neutrality by 2050.

At the 13th Mekong-Japan Summit: The Leaders reviewed progress and future priorities in economic resilience, connectivity, digital transformation, environmental sustainability and human security. They adopted the Co-Chairs' Statement and underscored the importance of implementing the Mekong-Japan Cooperation Strategy 2024. **Samdech Thipadei Prime Minister** expressed appreciation for Japan's longstanding support and highlighted quality infrastructure, resilient supply chains, digital innovation, human capital and youth exchanges. He reaffirmed Cambodia's commitment to Mekong-Japan cooperation and readiness to assume the Co-Chairmanship in 2027.

On the sidelines of the ASEAN Related Summits, **Samdech Thipadei Prime Minister** also held bilateral meetings with **His Excellency The Honourable Anthony Albanese MP**, Prime Minister of Australia, and **His Excellency Lawrence Wong**, Prime Minister of Singapore, to further strengthen bilateral cooperation and exchange views on issues of mutual interest and concern.

Phnom Penh, 17 November 2026