



ROYAL SPEECH

His Majesty Preah Bat Samdech Preah Boromneath NORODOM SIHAMONI, King of Cambodia

On the occasion of the inauguration of the Constitutional Monument
On September 24, 2024

- Most Venerables Samdech and all reverent Buddhist monks
- **Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN SEN**, President of the Senate of the Kingdom of Cambodia and President of the High Privy Councilor of **His Majesty the King** of Cambodia
- **Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei HUN MANET**, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia
- **H.E. Kittinitikosalpandit IM CHHUN LIM**, President of the Constitutional Council of Cambodia
- Samdech, His Excellency as the High Privy Councilor of **H.M. the King**, Excellencies, Lok Chumteavs, Royal Ambassadors, Ambassadors, Distinguished national and international guests, Ladies and Gentlemen who are present here
- Deeply beloved compatriots

Today, **I** feel delighted to preside over the inauguration for the beautiful Constitutional Monument, marking another new achievement for Khmer Nation. In 2023, the Kingdom of Cambodia celebrated a historic Royal Ceremony for the 30th anniversary of the promulgation of the Constitution, and today marks the 31st anniversary. Our country is celebrating the inauguration of the Constitutional Monument. This event shows that the Cambodian people are willing to respect, protect, uphold, and abide by the Constitution as the supreme law of our nation.

I would like to express my appreciation to **H.E. Kittinitikosalpandit IM CHHUN LIM**, President of the Constitutional Council, for a meaningful report on the concept and process of establishing the Constitutional Monument, representing the Constitution of our nation.

As an indisputable truth, for more than 30 years of the implementation of the Constitution, the Kingdom of Cambodia has achieved peace and national unity as a result of the Win-Win Policy. This policy has been set up, implemented, and led by the genius, wisely, and outstanding leader, **Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN SEN**, President of the Senate, who had made a great achievement in defending the Nation,

Religion, and the King, and " **to strengthen the national unity, to preserve and defend Cambodia's territory and its precious sovereignty and the prestige of Angkor civilization, and to restore Cambodia into an "Island of Peace" based on a multi-party liberal democratic regime guaranteeing human rights and the respect of law, and responsible for the destiny of the nation always evolving toward progress, development, prosperity, and glory** " as it is today. This awe-inspiring achievement of the Constitution is the national heritage that is being maintained and vigorously developed by the current Prime Minister, **Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei HUN MANET**, to continue to lead Cambodia to become a more civilized country.

This glorious achievement of the Constitution has been accomplished. Therefore, **I** would like to appeal to the whole Cambodian nation to be determined in the right vision as:

" We, the Cambodian people, united to take care, protect, and respect the Constitution, the supreme law of the country as the symbol of the combination between modern and ancient values and promises of the present for the glorious future of our nation. "

Samdech, Excellencies, Lok Chumteavs, Ladies and Gentlemen, Compatriots

Given that the 1993's Constitution has existed and been stable for more than three decades, a long period in the history of the constitution, and the Kingdom of Cambodia is currently at peace, stability, and development which ensure the strength of the Constitution. It is an appropriate time to have a Constitutional Monument for Khmer people now and in the future to value the merits of patriots who are the founder and operator of this supreme law and respect the ethics and laws of the Kingdom of Cambodia. **I** respect the soul of dignitaries who have worked hard to create the Constitution since 1993 and who have since passed away, may their souls rest in peace.

I am excited to see the Constitutional Monument has been completed in such a beautiful architectural form. According to the report by **H.E. Kittinikosalpandit**, President of the Constitutional Council, We can conclude that the Constitutional Monument is a sacred monument representing the symbol of the rule of law with the Constitution as the supreme law in the Kingdom of Cambodia.

I would like to express my deep gratitude to **Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN SEN**, President of the Senate, and **Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei HUN MANET**, Prime Minister, for supporting the construction of this Monument until it is completed. I would like to extend my deep appreciation and gratitude to **H.E. Kittinitikosalpandit**, President of the Constitutional Council, who initiated, developed the concept and supervised the construction of this sacred Constitutional Monument on the site of the National Heritage Site. This Monument reveals the proud link of the present to the past of the rich and glorious Khmer nation, which has had a noble civilization and high prestige since ancient time. I would like to congratulate the architects, intellectuals, artists and craftsmen of all walks of life who have contributed to the building of the Constitutional Monument on this great accomplishment.

Finally, I would like to wish Samdech, Excellencies, Lok Chumteavs, Ladies and Gentlemen, and all the compatriot with the four buddha's blessings forever.

Thank You