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Kirirom-III Hydro Power Plant Inaugurated

AKP Phnom Penh, February 23, 2013 –

Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo Hun Sen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, presided over this morning the inauguration ceremony of Kirirom-III Hydro Power Plant in the coastal province of Koh Kong.

Located in Preah Ang Keo village, Dang Peng commune, Sre Ambel district, some 160 kilometers southwest of Phnom Penh capital city, the construction project of the hydro power plant was carried out by CETIC International Hydropower Development, a Chinese developer under a contract of 30-year Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) with an investment capital of US\$47.10 million, H.E. Suy Sem, Minister of Industry, Mines and Energy said.

At the inauguration ceremony, the Cambodian premier said it is one of the major achievements of the infrastructure sector in Cambodia.

The Kingdom has so far generated only over 200 megawatts of electricity power from different hydro power plants, including Kamchay with 193 megawatts, Kirirom III 18 megawatts and Kirirom I 12 megawatts, Samdech Techo Hun Sen pointed out.

The country is expected to put into use the 120-megawatt Tatay Hydro Power Plant this year, the 338-megawatt Russey Chrum Krom Hydro Power Plant, the 249-megawatt Atay Hydro Power Plant and a 100-megawatt coal power plant in 2014, he added.

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