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The Royal Government of Cambodia
National Authority for Combating Drugs
No. 001/21 S.N.NA.CH.B.KH.NH

Circular
on
measurement to prevent and avoid importation, trafficking, sale, and use of tobacco heated products
(HTPs) in the Kingdom of Cambodia

In the Kingdom of Cambodia, the royal government, in which the National Authority for Combating Drugs (NACD) is a secretariat, has paid high attention and used all strategies to prevent and avoid drugs-related problems, including use of electronic cigarettes, in order to contribute to the prevention and withstanding of effects that may have on well beings and living condition of the people, as well on security, public order and development of the society. In 2014, with permission from the royal government, the NACD issued the circular no 001/s.n.n a.ch.b.kh.nh on measurement to prevent and stop use, sale, and importation of Shisha and electronic cigarettes in the Kingdom of Cambodia, for reasons, besides serious health damages, use of electronic cigarettes and shisha can lead to the use of illegal drugs. The circular has been disseminated and well implemented by competent authorities and local authorities. However, it is recently noticed that public, particularly youths have started to re-use electronic cigarettes, and some of them have used HTPs. This may be caused by offenders who import and sale of these products, while the country has suffered from flood and outbreak of Covid-19. Due to the fact that, HTPs is not included in the circular no. 001/s.n.n.a.ch.b.kh.nh of the NACD issued on 25 February 2014, prevention and withstanding of HTPs faced challenges.

Response to the challenges, with authorization granted by the royal government, NACD instructs all ministries and institutes, members of NACD, municipal and provincial committees for combating drugs, and competent authorities in all levels to:

1. In addition to strengthen the implementation of the circular no 001/s.n.n a.ch.b.kh.nh, issued on 25 February 2014 on measurement to prevent and stop use, sale, and importation of Shisha and electronic cigarettes in the Kingdom of Cambodia, immediately halt the use and sale of HTPs, by confiscation. Confiscation should not affect other legal business.
2. Halt trafficking, trading and importing HTPs, and educate the ban to importers and public. .
3. All ministries and institutes, members of NACD, municipal and provincial committees for combating drugs, and competent authorities in all levels to send progress reports of implementing the circular.

Upon receiving this circular, all ministries and institutes, members of NACD, municipal and provincial committees for combating drugs, and competent authorities in all levels shall well implement this circular.

Phnom Penh, 18 March 2021
Deputy Prime Minister
Chair of NACD

Receivers:

- Cabinet of the Prime Minister
- All ministries and institutes
- Municipal and provincial committees
for combating drugs
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