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Ministry of Cult and Religion
No. 1084 MoCR

Phnom Penh, December 07, 2000

MINISTER OF CULT AND RELIGION

TO

ALL VENERABLE CHIEF MONKS OF ALL PAGODAS
ALL PROVINCIAL/MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS OF CULT AND RELIGION
ALL DISTRCIT CHIEF OFFICES OF CULT AND RELIGION

Subject: Implementation of the smoking ban in workplaces, establishments for Buddhism studies, meeting halls, gathering halls, pagodas, and theaters.
Reference: The Council of Minister's letter No.1270 A. dated August 19, 1994.

Pursuant to the above subject and reference, in order to serve as a model as non-smokers for our people, the Ministry would like to request that all provincial/municipal departments, units, establishments for Buddhism studies and pagodas, under the Ministry, shall pay attention to raising awareness, educating and preventing cigarette smoking in workplaces, meeting halls, establishments for Buddhism studies, and gathering halls.

Meanwhile, if provincial/municipal departments, units and establishments for Buddhism studies believe that it is not possible to eliminate cigarette smoking completely, it is requested that cigarette smoking be prohibited in classrooms, offices, gathering halls, temples, meditation seats and monk's houses, so as to avoid affecting the health of other non-smokers. Also, provincial/municipal departments, units and establishments for Buddhism studies, and pagodas are requested to post educational materials on the health impact of cigarette smoking.

The Ministry of Cult and Religion hopes that the venerable chief monks, ladies and gentlemen really pay attention and make efforts to implement this directive effectively.

Sincerely yours,
Minister
Signed and sealed: CHEA SAVOEURN

CC:
- Ministry of Supreme Patriarch of the Two Sects
- Council of Ministers
- Relevant Ministries
- Non-governmental organization "For information"
- All pprovincial/municipal religious department and offices
- All establishments for Buddhism studies and pagodas "For implementation"
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