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## **Press Alert**

### **The Victims Support Section Organizes its Third Regional Forum for 350 Civil Parties in Case 002 in Svay Rieng Province**

The Victims Support Section (VSS) of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC) organizes its Third Regional Forum for 350 Civil Parties in Case 002. These civil parties will largely come from the Eastern provinces of Cambodia: Prey Veng, Kandal, Kampong Cham, and Svay Rieng Provinces. The forum will be held at Chhne Tonle Meeting Hall of Svay Rieng Town, on Thursday, 24 February 2011 from 7:30 a.m. (Civil Party's identity is protected).

The Regional Forum is one of the means through which the VSS implements its project on wider Victims' Improved Participation in the Proceedings of ECCC 2011 for empowering Civil Parties in judicial proceedings of Case 002. The purpose of the Regional Forum is to promote victims' participation by providing a safe venue and opportunity for Civil Parties (CPs) from those provinces:

- To meet Civil Party Lawyers to discuss their rights at the trial stage, as well as, to generate ideas from Civil Parties on collective reparations in order to formulate their civil claim ;
- To meet officials from various offices of the ECCC and civil society representatives in order to learn about recent progress of ECCC; and
- To meet CPs of Case 001 in order to learn about their experiences for a better involvement in Case 002.

Regional Forums had been successfully organized first in Kratie, and then in Kampot, where around 700 Civil Parties from eleven provinces attended those forums. The VSS are going to organize other 3 Regional Fora at different regions before Case 002 starts in 2011 in order to ensure that the participation of over 2,000 Civil Parties in Case 002 have avenue for dialogue and meet their legal representations as well as other relevant officials of ECCC.

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