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I. Overview of Corruption

- * Corruption is an ongoing phenomenon, prevalent in revenue collection, management and use of natural resource, state assets, recently worst in development projects.
- * Discourage foreign investment/distorts fair play in business operation e.g. bidding, awarding of contracts, substandard output etc.



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II. Outstanding Achievements in Recent Past

1. Formulation and Amendments of Legislations and Organizational Restructure

1. Amended Law on Anti-Corruption
2. Anti-Corruption Strategy towards 2020
3. Law on State Inspection
4. Law on Extradition
5. Anti-Corruption Strategy and Action Plan towards 2020
6. Law on Anti-Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism
7. New Departments: Anti-Corruption Investigation, Monitoring and Post-Inspection Enforcement Department



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2. Fighting Against Corruption

- * Completed the 1st round of Asset Declaration (2015)
- * Case of 60 “Ghost Projects” in various provinces- billions Kip
- * Case of an accountant of Agricultural Promotion Bank – charge embezzlement. Sentenced to life imprisonment.



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III. Corruption Prevention Through Education and Training

- * Regular training for public servants (need-based)
- * TOT (provincial officials)
- * Capacity building program for SIAA new recruits
- * Discussion going on with MOES in incorporating anti-corruption training into compulsory education (high school up to university level)
- * More TOT for central level officials is anticipated in early 2016
- * 12 International Anti-Corruption Day -9 Dec (public awareness)



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IV. International Cooperation in Combating Corruption

- * State Party to UNCAC
- * Member of SEA-PAC
- * Bilateral agreement with Vietnam, China, Cambodia, Thailand
- * An observer state for ADB/OECD Anti-Corruption Initiative for Asia and the Pacific
- * International Organizations e.g. UNODC, UNDP



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V. Way Forwards

- * Strengthen law dissemination and enforcement
- * Get ready for 2nd UNCAC review cycle
- * Active participation to SEA-PAC blog
- * Strive for the mainstreaming of anti-corruption training into formal education

Khob Jai-Thank you

