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Construction began on an international deep-sea port in Kampot province on Thursday 5 May 2022 with an investment of US\$1.5 billion, which will be a major connection for Cambodia's maritime transport.

The ground-breaking ceremony for the international deep-sea port was held on 5 May under the auspices of Deputy Prime Minister HE Chea Sophara, Minister of Land Management, Urban Planning and Construction.

Built on 600 hectares of land in Prek Tnaot commune, Bokor City, Kampot province, the port is named the Kampot Logistics and Multipurpose Centre and is an investment by Kampot Logistics and Port.

This giant investment project has a three-phase implementation plan, which is scheduled to be completed in two and a half years and is expected to create about 10,000 jobs. In the first phase of the plan, there will be an investment of about US\$200 million.



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The project includes container grounds, special economic zones, free trade zones, logistics centres, warehouses, manufacturing and distribution plants, refineries and fuel centres, residential and tourist areas, and passenger terminals. A ferry will connect to the Phnom Penh Autonomous Port in the event of the government developing the waterway and logistics system of Tonle Bassac.

The multi-purpose port has a water depth of about 15 metres and can accommodate ships of 100,000 tons. It will have the capacity to handle about 300,000 TEUs in and out by 2025 and about 600,000 TEUs by 2030.

Speaking at the event, HE Sun Chanthol, Senior Minister of the Ministry of Public Works and Transport, stated that the location of the port is in a favourable area for connecting water, land and rail transportation systems to Phnom Penh and provinces through the National Road No. 3, National Road No. 41, National Road No. 4, the Phnom Penh-Sihanoukville Expressway, National Road No. 48 and connecting the southern railway to the north of the country.

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