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MIDDLE STRETCHES OF MEKONG RIVER NORTH OF STOENG TRENG

Country: Cambodia

Site number: 999

Area: 14600 hectares

Designation date: 23-06-1999

Coordinates: 13°44'4"N 106°0'0"E

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Middle Stretches of the Mekong River north of Stoeng Treng. 23/06/99; Stoeng Treng; 14,600 ha; 13°44'04"N 106°00'00"E. National Protected Area. A 40km stretch of the Mekong River in the north of Cambodia characterized by strong turbulent flow with numerous channels between rocky and sandy islands that are completely inundated during high water, with higher alluvial islands that remain dry. It lies about 5km from the town of Stoeng Treng where the Se Kong river joins the Mekong river and 4 km south from the border with Laos. The site is home to a breeding population of the critically endangered White-shouldered Ibis (*Pseudibis davisoni*). The extensive and largely undisturbed channel islands provide important refuge and a food source for fish species during times of high flows, while the areas deep pools allow refuge for aquatic species, including the critically endangered Giant Mekong Catfish (*Pangasianodon gigas*) and the vulnerable Irrawaddy Dolphin (*Orcaella brevirostris*). The site faces a number of significant threats such as an expanding infrastructure network, a market-driven agricultural increase of cash crop and logging activities that are reducing the forest, and the omnipresent threat of dams, particularly those upstream, but seven dams have also been proposed for the mainstream of the Mekong within Cambodia. Ramsar site no. 999. Most recent RIS information: 2012

Stoeng Treng

National legal designation: National Protected Area



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Stung Treng Ramsar Site

Legend

- ▲ Village center
- Commune center
- Central Stung Treng Ramsar site
- ▭ Stung Treng Ramsar site
- Evergreen forest
- Semi-evergreen forest
- Deciduous forest
- Open forest
- Wood and shrub
- Non forest
- River
- National boundary
- District boundary
- Commune boundary



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Projection: Transverse_Mercator
Datum: WGS 1984, Zone 48N
Source: Cambodia base map and forest cover 2006
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