

# Technical Update

May 2019

## 1. Industry – Monthly Production Report to the Ministry of Industry and Handicrafts

### Ministry of Industry and Handicrafts (MIH) - Notification No. 717 dated 21 March 2019 on the monthly production report for factories and handicrafts

In order to enforce the Law on Administration of Factories and Handicrafts, the MIH reminds all factories and handicrafts to implement the monthly reporting as follows:

1. to submit the monthly production report to the Department of Industrial Affairs (DIA) and copy to the Provincial-Municipal Department of Industry and Handicrafts before the 10th of the following month.
2. data and statistics must be directly submitted to the DIA via the following addresses: [industryaffair.mih@gmail.com](mailto:industryaffair.mih@gmail.com) and [phallasarik@gmail.com](mailto:phallasarik@gmail.com) or Telegram: 012 300 087 and 090 599 994.
3. failure to comply with item (1) shall result in a financial fine of 10,000,000Riels (~US\$2,500) to 50,000,000Riels (~US\$12,500) and punishment as specified in the criminal law.

**Commentary:** In order to comply with the laws and avoid severe penalties, we advise owners of factory and handicraft to ensure that they comply with the reporting requirements of the MIH.

## 2. Health – Licensing of Good Distribution Practice “GDP” Certificates

### Ministry of Health (MoH) - Prakas No. 1190 dated 26 April 2019 on Licensing of GDP Certificate of Pharmaceutical Products

This Prakas aims to ensure the quality, effectiveness, and safety of pharmaceutical products through Good Distribution Practice “GDP”.

This Prakas is applicable to all medicine manufacturers, medical equipment manufacturers, import and export medicine institutions and wholesale medicine institutions in Cambodia. These institutions must request the GDP certificate from the Department of Drugs and Food of the MoH.

The GDP certificate is valid for two (2) years. The application for renewal shall be made within three (3) months before expiration.

Requirements and procedure for GDP licensing as well as conditions for license revocation are stated in the Prakas.

### 3. Labor – New Format of Foreigner Work Permit and Employment Card

#### Ministry of Labor and Vocational Training (MLVT) – Notification No. 012/19 dated 30 April 2019 on New Format of Foreigner Work Permit and Foreign Employment Card

In order to avoid any falsification of foreigner work permits and foreigner employment cards, the MLVT introduced the new format of foreigner work permits and foreign employment cards which is effective from 1 May 2019 onwards with some special characteristics including but not limited to:

- security line
- optically variable ink (“OVI”) refraction
- QR code for verification
- UV light security (logo of the MLVT)
- website for verification.

### 4. Commerce – Registered Exporter System (REX)

#### Ministry of Commerce (MoC) – Notification No. 1594 dated 24 April 2019 on the Registered Exporter System (REX)

In order to use the “Statement of Origin” instead of the “Certificate of Origin” for the export process in the Registered Exporter System (REX) under the Everything But Arms Scheme (EBA) of the European Union and in the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) of Norway, Switzerland, and Turkey, Exporter registration shall be done from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019. However, in the case that they could not meet the set deadline, exporters can request for an extension of the deadline until 30 June 2020.

Meanwhile, for the export of goods under six thousand (6,000) Euros in value, exporters shall declare the Statement of Origin by themselves instead of C/O FORM A which can be downloaded via website <https://co.moc.gov.kh/>.

This notification is effective from 1 May 2019 onwards.

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As a committed tax and corporate consultant, we welcome the opportunity to discuss the applicability of these laws and regulations to your business at your request.

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