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LOCAL

“Five Banks Launch Mobile Top-Up for Expressway Users”

On 14th November, the Phnom Penh-Sihanoukville Expressway (PP-SHV Expressway) will start rolling out the top-up payment through five local commercial banks, namely, ACLEDA, ABA, Vattanac, Chip Mong, and Wing Bank. This new mechanism is a partnership with the Ministry of Public Work and Transport (MPWT) aimed at making it easier for drivers to pay their tolls without waiting and dealing with heavy congestion. Drivers, however, must still register their vehicles, install their license plates, and have their vehicles undergo technical inspection. Registered users will receive a 20% discount from 1st November 2022 until 31st October 2023, as a 100% toll charge will commence on 1st November 2023 onwards, according to HEANG Sotheayuth, MPWT’s spokesman.

Source: [Kang Sothea/ Khmer Times](#)

INTERNATIONAL

“Binance & Royal Group Solidify Partnership to Introduce Web3 to Cambodia”

The Royal Group and Binance, a leading blockchain ecosystem company, signed a joint venture to bring Web3 Solutions to Cambodia during the ASEAN Business and Investment Summit 2022 (ABIS 2022), which was presided over by H.E. SOU Soheat, Director General of Securities and Exchange Regulator of Cambodia. Chairman and Chief

Executive Officer of the Royal Group, Neak Onkna KITH Meng, claimed that technology would enable Cambodia to become an inclusive society and that the country would gradually progress into a developed economy using advanced technology. Meanwhile, Leon Foong, Head of Binance APAC, expressed his enthusiasm about collaborating with the Royal Group and bringing a new technological experience to Cambodia.

Source: [Khmer Times](#)

“Vietnam Supports Digital Platforms, Human Resources; Fights Fake News”

Vietnamese Minister of Information and Communications Nguyen Manh Hung recently explained to lawmakers that digital transformation would boost Vietnam’s industrialisation and economic development. Nonetheless, concerns about regulations, human resources, law enforcement, and budget can negatively impact the expected growth brought by technologies. In the fight against fake news, Hung claimed that the Vietnamese government has rolled out several major regulations to make it more effective and faster for Internet service providers to take down fake news content and increase the severity of fines against those failing to follow the law. In addition, it is worth noting that, in 2020, Vietnam adopted a National Digital Transformation Programme, which looks to accelerate its digital transformation through public awareness, incentives for local businesses, and other measures.

Source: [Samaya Dharmaraj/ OpenGov Asia](#)

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