

**5<sup>th</sup> ACCSQ ASEAN COSMETIC COMMITTEE MEETING**  
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**COUNTRY REPORT** in preparation for the implementation of the ASEAN Cosmetic Directive - [CAMBODIA](#)

**I – Implementation of AHCRS:** The Ministry of Health has committed to implement the ACD by year 2008 by highlighting the following main activities:

- Adjustment the existing sub - decree on cosmetic management to be in line with the ACD and translated into local language in order to make easy understanding for industries / companies on the AHCRS and its common technical documents,
- Laboratory Capacity building ,
- Strengthening the cosmetic registration,
- Market survey to determine the extent of cosmetic products actually marketed inside the country as well as their sources regardless the country of manufacture and the name & address of imported companies,
- Updating the list of ingredients with reference to the decision of ACSB,
- Close collaboration with mass media to monitor the advertising of cosmetic products,

**II – EC- ASEAN Cooperation Programme on Standards, Quality and Conformity Assessment:**

**PMS1** - Attendance to training workshops ,

**GMP** : Training in EU and contribute to finalize the draft of training module .

**PMS/PSE3** : On the Job Training in EU ( Germany and Hungary )

**III - Bilateral Programme EU- Cambodia.**

MOH was informed by the EU office in Cambodia that Mrs. [Jasmin Espejo-Hermes](#) ,expert on Food Standards and Fisheries will serve as local expert and also seek for expert for transposing of ACD into National Law.

Mr. **David Warnant** assist the Cosmetic Sector of the Department of Drugs and Food for a period of one week in October to consider the mechanism of transposing the ACD . Firstly he proposed to adapt the existing regulation to the ACD and translate it into national language before submission for MOH approval . MOH proposed through Mr. David Warnant to continue supporting not only the regulation aspect but also the technical issue on safety assessment .

Recently MOH has received confirmation that EU has agreed on the proposed activities :

- Advanced training on safety assessment of ingredients used in cosmetic products for one week probably in March 2006,
- Advanced training on safety and efficient evaluation of cosmetic products by using a real submitted file for registration : Nov .2006
- Workshop on ACD to all relevant stakeholders and the preparation phase of the ACD implementation : 2007

#### **IV – Challenges :**

The adjustment of regulation takes time because the existing regulation need to be totally changed and others relevant stakeholders such as custom office , Ministry of Trade , Ministry of Industry , Economic Police must be invited to contribute in this change . Different concepts will be raised because each agency has its own regulation and in particular when MOH shift from pre-marketing approval to the Product Notification importers can import products without informing MOH when the tax tariff is paid . Therefore the strengthening the responsibility and the honestly of the person placing the product on market is needed.

Cambodia is still in the learning phase for the transposition of the ACD.