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**Samdech Thipadei HUN Manet delivered a Special Remark  
at the High-Level Opening of the Eightieth Session of the UN-ESCAP**

**Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei HUN Manet**, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia was in Bangkok, Kingdom of Thailand on the morning of 22 April 2024 to attend the High-Level Opening of the Eightieth Session of the UN-ESCAP.

In his address at this annual event, **Samdech Thipadei** commended UN-ESCAP for choosing one of the most time-relevant theme "Leveraging digital innovation for sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific", and emphasized the critical role of digital innovation for sustainable, inclusive and resilient development. He highlighted his commitment to digital transformation of Cambodia's government, economy and society as reflected in the "Pentagonal Strategy – Phase-I" and other relevant national policy frameworks.

**Samdech Thipadei Prime Minister** also touched on Cambodia's active involvement in regional and international cooperation in the realm of digital technology and innovation. He expressed hope that UN-ESCAP would be able to mobilize strong collaborative efforts to capitalize on the benefit of the Fourth Industrial Revolution for sustainable development in the Asia-Pacific region. He also raised about the relevance of digital technology for demining and the removal of explosive remnants of war that still pose a significant obstacle to sustainable development in Cambodia and elsewhere.



Taking this opportunity, **Samdech Thipadei** Prime Minister informed the meeting about Cambodia's hosting of the 5th Review Conference of the Ottawa Convention, titled "The Siem Reap-Angkor Summit on a Mine-Free World", on 25-29 November 2024. He called for joint efforts to support the global mine-free cause and participation in this historic event.

On the sidelines of this UN-ESCAP annual session, **Samdech Thipadei** Prime Minister had a brief meeting with **Her Excellency Dr. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana** and exchanged views on various development issues. He thanked UN-ESCAP for supporting Cambodia in demining efforts, and reaffirmed Cambodia's commitment to partnership with the UN-ESCAP in advancing sustainable development goals.

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