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Samdech Techo Prime Minister Holds Bilateral Meeting with Philippine President

Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN Sen, Prime Minister of Cambodia, and His Excellency Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos Jr., President of the Republic of the Philippines, held a Bilateral Meeting on 10 November 2022 on the sidelines of the ASEAN Summits and Related Summits. The two Leaders expressed satisfaction with the development of bilateral relations and cooperation as Cambodia and the Philippines celebrate the 65th Anniversary of the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations.

Prime Minister Hun Sen and President Marcos shared the same aspiration and discussed measures to further broaden the bilateral cooperation, particularly in defense, trade, investment, small and medium enterprises, health services, digitalization, tourism and people-to-people connectivity. To this end, they encouraged relevant ministries/institutions of the two countries to fully and effectively implement the signed documents.

The two Leaders noted with pleasure the re-increase of bilateral trade exchange after the pandemic crisis. They also underscored the need to promote public and private partnership and to further bolster the two-way trade and investment. Samdech Techo Prime Minister called on the Philippines to import more Cambodian rice and other agricultural products, especially encouraged the Philippines to invest in Cambodia's agriculture, like in rice milling process for exporting to the Philippines to meet the country's demands.

Prime Minister Hun Sen and President Marcos discussed at length the challenges facing ASEAN, the Myanmar issue and the cooperation in the ASEAN frameworks. The two Leaders also exchanged views on regional and international issues of common concerns, and stressed the critical importance of safeguarding peace in the region and beyond.

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