

6th June 2021**CAMBODIA-INDIA HISTORY REVIVED BY NEW PARTNERSHIP OF ROYAL ACADEMY OF CAMBODIA AND RISING ASIA FOUNDATION**

PHNOM PENH/KOLKATA: The Royal Academy of Cambodia and Rising Asia Foundation today announced their partnership to conduct joint academic projects, building on the historic cultural relationship between Cambodia and India.

Welcoming the partnership, the President of the Royal Academy of Cambodia, Dr. Sok Touch said: “I am delighted to establish cooperation on behalf of the Royal Academy of Cambodia and the Rising Asia Foundation and Journal, and I look forward to our two institutions working together in the future.”

Chairman of the Rising Asia Foundation and Editor-in-Chief of the Journal, Dr. Harish C. Mehta, said that the collaboration was an organic development between two societies that shared a historic past, and was a natural progression of their history. “We have a history together, so let’s build on it,” he said.

The two partner institutions plan to conduct an annual conference on Indo-Cambodia relations, spanning culture and history, economy and trade and regional affairs. The Rising Asia Foundation also plans to create a special academic course on shared Indo-Cambodian culture and history that would be offered to RAC students online. In addition, the partners will conduct research projects in their common areas of interest whose resulting papers would be published in the Rising Asia Journal.

The Royal Academy of Cambodia is a leading university in Phnom Penh with a mission to play a role in research, both in social sciences and the health sciences, to provide inputs to the Royal Government of Cambodia. The university offers B.A, M.A. and PhD degrees. The university was established in 1965 by Royal Decree but efforts to develop the institution were stalled with the outbreak of the civil war in 1970. In June 1999, the Royal Academy of Cambodia was re-established by Royal Decree at the beginning of the second term of the Royal Government.

The Rising Asia Foundation is a non-profit professional society of scholars dedicated to the teaching and study of Asian societies. The Rising Asia Journal is a scholarly publication that contains interpretive essays on all aspects of Asian history, economy, diplomacy, and literature spanning the humanities and social sciences. The RAF and RAJ conduct annual conferences on foreign affairs, economy, and culture, and is starting their book publishing program. The organization’s board consists of professors from universities in North America, Southeast Asia and India, and former diplomats, retired government officials and business leaders.

For further information please contact: Dr Harish C. Mehta at harish.mehta@utoronto.ca or Dr Seun Sam, RAC at: info@rac.gov.kh.

<https://rac.gov.kh/>

<https://www.rajraf.org/>

32 T, New Road, Alipore, Kolkata 700027, West Bengal, India.

Email for Advertising/Subscription/Membership: sales.risingasia1@gmail.com / sales.risingasia@gmail.com

For Editorial: harish.mehta@utoronto.ca / hmehta76@yahoo.ca

Phone: 91-9830721954 and 91-7044588681