

Press opportunities



What will take place during the 11MSP?*

- Prior to the meeting, on 27 November, Cambodia will stage field visits for delegates and the press. Visits will be organised to mined areas and post-clearance sites in northwest Cambodia, to the Kean Klaing Rehabilitation Centre and to the Oudong Demining Training Institute.
- On the evening of 27 November, Cambodia will host an opening ceremony featuring the participation of Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen.
- His Excellency PRAK Sokhonn, Minister Attached to the Prime Minister and Vice-President of the Cambodian Mine Action and Victim Assistance Authority, will preside over the 11MSP. The 11MSP will feature plenary sessions from 09:00 to 12:00 and from 14:00 to 17:00 from 28 November to 2 December.
- Monday 28 November:
 - At 09:00, the 11MSP officially begins with the election of H.E. PRAK Sokhonn of Cambodia as President of the 11MSP.
 - Brief messages will be delivered by or on behalf of Nobel Peace Prize laureate Jody Williams, the President of the International Committee of the Red Cross, the President of the Council of the Foundation of the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining and the Secretary General of the United Nations.
 - High level delegation heads may deliver general statements.
 - Requests submitted for extensions of mine clearance deadlines by Algeria, Chile, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Eritrea will be presented.
 - An opening press conference will be held at 12:15.

Tuesday 29 November:

- The 11MSP will begin consideration of the “Phnom Penh Progress Report”, which will be the most significant substantive outcome of the meeting.
- States that are responsible for significant numbers of landmine survivors and those that are obliged to clear all mined areas will report on their progress.
- Nigeria is expected to table a “declaration of completion” of its mine clearance obligations, becoming the 17th State Party to the Convention to do so.

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- Wednesday 30 November:
 - Updates on efforts to clear mined areas will continue.
 - An innovative, informal session will be staged which will feature a reflection of two decades of efforts to end the suffering and casualties caused by anti-personnel mines.
- Thursday 1 December:
 - Belarus, Greece, Turkey and Ukraine will report on their efforts to destroy stockpiled anti-personnel mines.
 - His Royal Highness Prince Mired Raad Al Hussein of Jordan, along with others, will report on efforts undertaken over the past year to promote universal acceptance of the Convention.
 - The 11MSP will discuss international cooperation and assistance.
 - The 11MSP will discuss enhancements to and the 2012 work plan of the Convention's Implementation Support Unit.
- Friday 2 December:
 - The 11MSP will continue discussions on cooperation and assistance, if necessary, and then proceed with discussions on transparency and efforts to ensure compliance with the Convention.
 - The 11MSP will formally consider the requests for extensions on mine clearance deadlines submitted by Algeria, Chile, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Eritrea.
 - The 11MSP will take decisions on the Convention's meetings in 2012 and elect States Parties to serve as Co-Chairs of the Convention's five Standing Committees.
 - The 11MSP is expected to warmly welcome the Phnom Penh Progress Report.
 - A closing press conference will be held immediately following the conclusion of the meeting.

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* As of 28 September 2011.