

Good Governance & Social Accountability

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Strengthen Procurement System at the sub-national Level Project (SPSL) is one project that is implemented by SILAKA organization and MODE in Kampongthom province which is funded by Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE). This project aims for improving public governance at sub-national level in Cambodia. SPSL Project increases transparency and accountability on public bidding at sub-national level, and good governance is the staple part in this project implementation.



Good Society has three staple points:

1. Citizens get basic needs (health, justice, education)
2. Good society has justice and human rights.
3. Help one another when needed.

Good society, citizens and government have roles like in the following points:

1. Participate in council meetings, commune/Sangkat, and go to vote, and gather to demand needs peacefully.
2. Citizens cooperate with one another, lead and mobilize in group in order to negotiate with government.

The Royal Government must:

1. Facilitate to provide social service and make citizens could take part, for instance, allowing citizen's representative to join in councils meeting and so on.
2. Encourage and push citizens to participate via information sharing.
3. Effective and qualified service provider on time and suitable price that is acceptable.

Governance is the implementation of power of politics, economics and administration to govern national affairs. It is the mechanism, process and complicated law and throughout those things citizens and other groups could express their benefits, human rights implementation, and their own obligation, and to conciliate the existed different thoughts. (UNDP). Another definition, governance is the norm and significant rule that authorities of one country use for beneficial outcomes for their nation. Such as:

1. Selecting process, investigating and replacing of powerful people.
2. Government competency in controlling its resources effectively and implement through the suitable policies.
3. Citizens' respectfulness and states' for the laws/ institute that governs inter-economics and society. (World Bank).

Whereas good governance project coordination office of ministry of interior defined meaning of governance as the process, how to lead, management, classification or controlling, and is the decision making and implementing on that decision.

Good governance is the method that states or organizations use in order to control resource, economics, and social economics for benefits of citizens. On the other hand, good governance is

the activity, the process of leadership, management, classification, taking care, decision making, and implementation by practicing through eight policies such as: 1. participation, 2. response, 3. accountability, 4. Agreement, 5. Transparency, 6. Equality, 7. Effectiveness-efficiency, 8. Rule of law (Ministry of Interior Cambodia). Good governance means ability to govern affairs and national resource by will, opened condition, transparency, accountability, equality, and respond to citizens' needs. (UNDP).

Good governance policies:

- A. Good governance is focused on purpose of organization and results for citizens and service users.
- B. Good governance is the effective implementation with the clear functions and roles classification.
- C. Good governance is the boosting value process of whole organization and showing value of good governance via implementation.
- D. Good governance is the process of providing information, decision making and risks managing in transparency.
- E. Good governance is the ability and capacity improving of management team to be more effective.
- F. Good governance is the mobilization stakeholders and to create real accountability.

In order to have good governance must have:

- 1. Citizens' participation
- 2. Unbiased of laws implementation
- 3. High effectiveness of management and usage resource precisely.
- 4. Responsibilities in roles implementation, obligation and equally respond to citizens' needs, no discrimination and in the suitable time.

Accountability is the obligation of powerful people to accept or responsible for all activities that are committed.

Accountability is the means or method that is implemented by citizens and non-governmental organizations to help the royal government or service providers to be more accountable, transparent, and respond to the needs of citizens in community.

Social accountability is significant due to it makes:

- 1. Governance improvement.
- 2. Effectiveness of development and,
- 3. Citizens empowerment.