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Displaced families: PP

Since 1990 more than 120,000 Cambodians In Phnom Penh (over one in ten residents) have been displaced and/or evicted from their homes.

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| Year | No of families | Original settlement | Characteristics of eviction/relocation |
|------------------|----------------|--|---|
| 1990 | 570 | Wat Sarawan | Relocation to Kop Sreou dike (15 km from city). Collaboration between MPP and Irish NGO <i>Concern</i> for development of the site. |
| 1991 | 300 | Wat Mohamontrey | Relocation to several un-serviced sites 10 km out of Phnom Penh. |
| 1992 | 528 | Casino community near Cambodiana Hotel | Sept: Compensation to 200 families, insufficient land for relocation in Phnom Penh Thmey 12km from PP. |
| 1993 | 38 | Tuol Sav 1 | Compensation 50,000 Riel |
| 1994 | 1,220 | several sites | "Development and beautification" projects – no information available on relocation or compensation |
| 1995 (until Aug) | 480 | several sites | "Development and beautification" projects - no information available on relocation or compensation |
| 1996 | n/a | | Threats of eviction, especially to Borei Keila and Bassac communities. |
| Total | 3,136 | | |



Image: Sambok Chap eviction of 2006 on the Bassac riverfront. In the background is the Malaysian owned Naga Casino, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the site for the new Australian Embassy.

Forced eviction:

International Definitions

CESCR (Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights) General Comment 7 ¶ 4

“ the permanent or temporary removal against their will of individuals, families and/or communities from the homes and/or land which they occupy, without the provision of, and access to, appropriate forms of legal or other protection.”;

UN Commission on Human Rights:
Resolution 1993/77

The resolution affirmed that forced evictions constitute a gross violation of human rights and urged governments to discontinue the practice. In terms of specific obligations, the Commission recommended that the government body evicting the persons must consult with affected persons prior to eviction. In the event of eviction, governments should provide *“immediate restitution, compensation and/or appropriate and sufficient alternative accommodation or land, consistent with their wishes or needs, to persons and communities which have been forcibly evicted, following mutually satisfactory negotiations.”*

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| Year | Original Settlement | | Relocation Site | |
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| | Total families/ Yr | Original settlement | Number Families | Name of eviction/relocation site: distance to PP |
| 1998 | 228 | Bassac | 99 | Kampong Som province (150km to PP): Open offer by Mong Rethy oil palm Company |
| | | Tuol Svay Prey | 129 | Veng Sreng also called Aphiwat Mean Chey (3km to PP) by MPP/voluntary |
| 1999 | 217 | Various | 217 | Tuol Sambo (21 km to PP) by MPP |
| 2000 | 679 | Toek Loak 14 | 111 | Kork Kleang 1 (5km to PP) by MPP/voluntary |
| | | Toul Kork and Boeung Salang | 99 | Kork Kleang 2 (5km to PP) by MPP/voluntary |
| | | Bassac | 469 | Tuol Rokakos also called Prey Tituy (11km to PP) |
| 2001 | 6,358 | Bassac | 1,150 | Samaki 1,2,3 (15km to PP) by MPP |
| | | Bassac/ various | 297 | Samaki 4 (22km to PP) by MPP |
| | | Road edges | 164 | Kork Kleang Thmey (7kms to PP) |
| | | Bassac, Chbar Ampeou | 432 | Nov: Anlong Korng Thmey (8km to PP) by MPP |
| | | Bassac, Chbar Ampeou | 3,631 | Nov: Anlong Kngan (15km to PP) by MPP |
| | | Rd 271 and Northbridge | 134 | Lor Kambor (9km to PP) |
| | | Rd 230 | 133 | Phum Veal (14km to PP) by MPP |
| | | Along Rd 271 | 88 | Nov: Kraing Angkrong (10km to PP) by MPP/voluntary |
| | | Kob Sreou dyke | 329 | June: Samaki 5 (11km to PP, 1km from original site) |
| 2002 | 1,278 | Blok Tanpa | 298 | June: Kraing Angkrong 2 (11kms to PP) by MPP |
| | | Mean chey | 69 | March: Tnaot Chrum 4 (4kms to PP) by MPP |
| | | Boeung Tompun Pumping station | 56 | March: Thnaot Chrum 3 (4 kms to PP) by MPP |
| | | Boeung salang | 235 | Sept: Kok Banh Chorn (10kms to PP) by MPP |
| | | Various settlements | 620 | KKKHRDA site (5km to PP) |
| 2003 | 456 | Railway communities | 300 | March: Prey Sala (12kms to PP) |
| | | Stung Meanchey | 156 | July: Prak Tal aslo called Tnaot Chrum 5 (7kms to PP) by MPP |
| Total | 9,216 | Asian Coalition for Housing Rights estimated 11,000 families evicted | | |

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|------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| | Total families/ yr | Original settlement | Number Families | Name of relocation site/ distance to PP |
| 2004 | 360 | Ponleu Pich | 123 | Jan: Krapeur 2 community (16kms to PP) by 7NG after forcible eviction by joint owner of Intercon Hotel Khieu Sambath |
| | | Phnom Penh Thmey | 237 | Nov: Svay Jayk Thmey (17kms to PP) by MPP |
| 2005 | 4,109 | Boeung Trabek | 550 | unknown (figure provided by US AID) |
| | | Daun Penh hospital | 924 | unknown (figure provided by US AID) |
| | | Bassac/ new Min. Foreign Affairs | 32 | Aphiwat Thmey 32 (16kms to PP) |
| | | Chamcarmorn | 52 | Toul Pich also called Aphiwat Prey Glor (16kms to PP) |
| | | Sangkum Thmey & Wat Botum | 68 | unknown (figure provided by US AID) |
| | | Koh Pich | 302 | families made different arrangements. around 30 went to Tuk Khmau (20kms to PP) by 7NG |
| | | Bassac | 197 | unknown (figure provided by US AID) |
| | | Borei Keila | 1,060 | temporary accommodation |
| | | Korean vocational training centre | 70 | March:Trach Thom 1 (16kms to PP) by MPP/Min. Social Affairs |

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| | | St 291/317/566/ 335, Toul Kork | 226 | June: Khmer Leu also called Aphiwat Thmey 1 (22 kms to PP) by MPP |
| | | Fine Arts University | 83 | unknown (figure provided by US AID) |
| | | Phum Rongak, PP Thmey | 545 | unknown (figure provided by US AID) |
| 2006 | 5,543 | Stung Meanchey | 76 | Jan: Toul Sambo Thmey (21kms to PP) |
| | | Toul Kork | 135 | Jan: Aphiwat Thmey 2 (22kms to PP) |
| | | Sambok Chap | 1,600 | June: Phum Andong (20kms to PP) forcible eviction of renters by MPP/Sour Srun |
| | | Dey Krahom, Bassac | 1,465 | Aug: to Domnak Trawyoeung (20kms to PP) by 7NG company |
| | | St 337, Toul Kork | 135 | to Prey Moul also called Aphiwat Thmey 4 (17kms to PP) by MPP |
| | | Boeung Kok area, Toul Kork | 170 | to Aphiwat Thmey 3 (22kms to PP) by MPP |
| | | St 202, Toul Kork | 72 | Aug: to Chambok Thom (20kms to PP) by Okhna Kong Triv |
| | | Sambok Chap | 1,367 | May-June: MPP/Sour Srun forcibly evicts to Trapang Krasang (25kms to PP) |
| | | Phnom Penh Thmey | 72 | Feb: to Mlup Phor (20kms to PP) by MPP |
| | | St 1986 | 227 | unknown (figure provided by US AID) |
| | | Dangkor | 56 | to Trach Thom 2 (25kms to PP) by Teng Seng company |
| | | Monivong | 168 | June: to damnak trawyoeung (20kms to PP) by Royal Group/Min Interior |
| | | 2007 | 580 | Reak Reay |
| Chruy Changvar | 160 | | | 2 nd November at 4am: Trapang Krasang site (25kms to PP) |
| Borei Keila | 42 | | | 27 th December: evictions to Trapang Krasang (25kms to PP) |
| Prey Sala 2, Dangkor | 278 | | | families displaced after dispute with high ranking officials |
| 2008 | 560 | Borei Keila | 60 | Toul Sambo (21 kms to PP) evictions by MPP |
| | | Boeung Kok | 500 | ongoing: 7NG start eviction (families leaving after intimidation) to Cham Chao (24kms to PP) |
| 2009 | 327 | Dey Krahom | 152 | Jan: forcible eviction to Domnak Trawyoeung (20kms to PP) by 7NG company |
| | | Reak Reay | 175 | Mar: final group of families forcibly evicted |
| Total | 11,479 | | | |

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