



## UXO Lao Participants at Cambodian Mine Action Centre HQ for Phase II of the South-South Cooperation Exchange Program



As part of the South-South Cooperation Exchange Program (Phase II Stage II) and with the support of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), a group of six participants from UXO Lao have arrived to start a program of on-the-job training in operational management with their CMAC counterparts. They will spend eleven days in Cambodia from 6-17 June 2016 under CMAC coordination.

The first few days of the training will be spent at CMAC's Phnom Penh Headquarter to give an opportunity for the Lao participants to observe and learn about CMAC's operational management and also share knowledge and information with their counterparts before travelling to CMAC's Technical Institute of Mine Action (TIMA) in Kampong Chhnang province. After visiting TIMA they will travel to the CMAC Demining Units in Battambang and Siem Reap provinces to visit various facilities and observe demining operations at the Peace Building Project site. Upon completion of the Lao participants visit, the six CMAC counterparts will follow their UXO Lao colleagues to Lao PDR after a one week break, to continue the on-the-job training from June 27 to July 8, 2016.

The exchange program will bring great benefit to both UXO Lao and the Cambodian Mine Action Centre to further strengthen operational management capacity and contribute to global mine action, to save lives and support economic development.

