The Current Practices of IMTS in Cambodia: Customs and Non-customs Data sources; Institutional Arrangement

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Outline

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- Data processing and Dissemination of IMTS
- Process of Data sources collection
The responsible agency for the compilation of IMTS

By law on statistics (2005), the National Institute of Statistics (NIS), Ministry of Planning is a responsible agency for the compilation and dissemination of IMTS to the users.

One of main tasks of the NIS is responsible for collection of data on import/export from the General Department of Custom and Excise (GDCE), and other agencies for monthly data, quarterly and annual data.

However the NIS does not have MOU with the GDCE, but they have a Statistical Coordination Committee (SCC) and Statistical Advisory Council (SAC). Anyhow, NIS has a plan to conduct MOU with GDCE in the future for better cooperation.
Data Collection and Processing for IMTS

Data are collected in soft-copy by sending an official letter of request to the GDCE.

At least two weeks from the submitted official letter of request, the NIS may receive soft-data on import/export by product and by partner countries with AHTN 8 digits, quantity, net mass, and custom values.

The present sources of data is customs declarations that register into the computerized system, i.e. ASYCUDA World, Access, Excel. The records from Free Zones Authority and from Monetary authority are the potential sources of data.

Now, NIS use Ms. Excel for data processing and analysing of data for dissemination. NIS has a plan to use EUROTRACE in the future under the EU-ASEAN capacity building project.
The custom data AHTN code are processed to HS at 6 digits then a correspondence table of HS-SITC rev.4 is used.

For non-custom data sources are not yet treated at this first round of compilation due to have not enough knowledgeable human resources and lack of financial supports.

For the training activities to increase awareness of IMTS compilers are not regular done by the NIS because of do not have the financial supports.

The existing sources do not fully cover all significant export and import flows, i.e. unit volume index.
Data Dissemination of IMTS

The printed publication of IMTS will be released with time leg as below:

- Time leg for the annual publication is 9 months.
- Time leg for the quarterly/semester publication is 2 months.

At the current status, the NIS has stable and reliable internet connectivity, but the usage is limited. In a future, the NIS will to release of IMTS online in brief contents.
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