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VISIT BY AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR TO BATTAMBANG

The Australian Ambassador to Cambodia, Ms Angela Corcoran, will make her first official visit to Battambang and Pailin Provinces this week.

The Ambassador's visit reaffirms Australia's strong support for the economic and social development of these provinces.

On Wednesday she will observe mine clearance activities and meet with the local communities who are benefitting from these programs.

Australia has a long history of supporting de-mining activities in Cambodia and is providing AUD9 million (2016-19) through UNDP's *Clearing for Results* program.

Ambassador Corcoran will also meet with local Battambang women who are being supported as part of the Cambodia *Ending Violence Against Women Program*.

The Australian Government has provided almost AUD11 million since 2012 to this program.

The Ambassador will meet with senior representatives of the Battambang and Pailin Provincial Governments.

Tune in to FM92.7 at 11am on Thursday morning to hear more from Ambassador Corcoran about the great work that Australia is doing in these provinces.

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