

Minister of Education meets with Microsoft

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Minister of Education, Youth and Sport Hang Chuon Naron (centre) meets with representatives of Microsoft on Wednesday at the National Sport Training Center in Phnom Penh. Photo supplied

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MINISTER of Education, Youth and Sport Hang Chuon Naron met with representatives of Microsoft on Wednesday at the National Sport Training Center in Phnom Penh to support the multinational firm's assistance with the development and expansion of the New Generation Schools (NGS) programme.

The NGS initiative is a collaboration between the Ministry and the Kampuchean Action For Primary Education (KAPE) group, that seeks to raise the standard of classes for high-flying students, particularly in the field of science and technology.

Chuon Naron on Wednesday afternoon led a ceremony in which 48 computers were pledged by the Ministry to be donated to "Thun Thean Seksa" (TTS) high schools in 25 cities and provinces throughout the Kingdom.

Software for learning

TTS is an independent social enterprise to promote access to learning tools in and outside the classroom.

In partnership with KAPE, TTS aims, amongst other initiatives, to promote the use of software and mobile apps for the purpose of enhancing the learning experience.

The donation of the computers aims to meet the schools' modern demands, with technology playing an ever-increasing role in education.

"Microsoft continues to provide support to the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport in prioritised sectors with technical assistance and other resources," Chuon Naron said at the meeting.

Ministry spokesperson Ros Soveacha told The Post on Thursday: "The collaboration [between Microsoft and the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport] aims to support

science, technology, engineering and maths."

"It will contribute to the Ministry of Education's priority which is to focus on 'digital education and digital economics' in Cambodia."

Some 98 officials from the Ministry, other organisations and the general public were present at the ceremony in which the computers were donated.

Chuon Naron encouraged all teachers to increase their computer literacy and incorporate information technology into teaching.

A Microsoft representative declined to provide a comment when contacted on Thursday.

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