



## Press Release

### Embassy of Japan in the Kingdom of Cambodia The 7<sup>th</sup> Nodojiman “Japanese Song Contest”

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The Embassy of Japan, in collaboration with the Cambodia-Japan Cooperation Center (CJCC), organized the 7<sup>th</sup> “Nodojiman” Japanese Song Contest for Japanese language learners in Cambodia. This event is supported by several private companies and institutions such as Cambodian Public Bank, Soundskool, MATES Global Communications, Sui\_Joh, Tokyo Biyori, Yakiniku Garden Shiki, Milo, Marugame Udon, Suzume Japanese Restaurant, Chai Angkor and Japanese Association in Cambodia.

This year, the Embassy received applications from 119 groups (137 contestants). At the auditions on 5 March in Siem Reap and 12 March in Phnom Penh, 20 finalists were chosen to compete in the final contest on Saturday, 19 March, at the Angkor-Kizuna Hall, CJCC.



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The final contest was held in a joyful enthusiastic atmosphere with over 400 participants cheering the contestants.

*The successful candidates for this year are as follows:*

- 1- Ms. Kao Sokunthavry, 1<sup>st</sup> Prize Winner
- 2- Mr. Kim Bunna, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Winner
- 3- Ms. Bun Rothkunthea, 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Winner

*The successful candidates for the special awards are as follows:*

- 1- Mr. Sor Oudom, Musical Prize
- 2- Mr. Nam Sothy, 1<sup>st</sup> Japanese Prize
- 3- Mr. Am Piseth, 2<sup>nd</sup> Japanese Prize
- 4- Mr. Hak Kimhong, 1st Performance Prize
- 5- Mr. Noun Borey and his friends, 2nd Performance Prize

The first prize winner of the contest was awarded a trophy, a certificate, and a laptop computer. The second and third prize winners received a certificate and a laptop computer from the Cambodian Public Bank. Besides, many other supplementary prizes sponsored by various companies were presented to the special prize winners.



Nodojiman Japanese song contest has been organized as an annual event for the purpose of encouraging Japanese language students to enjoy practice the language through singing Japanese songs.

It is expected that, through this event, understanding of Japanese culture and language among Cambodian students is further promoted.