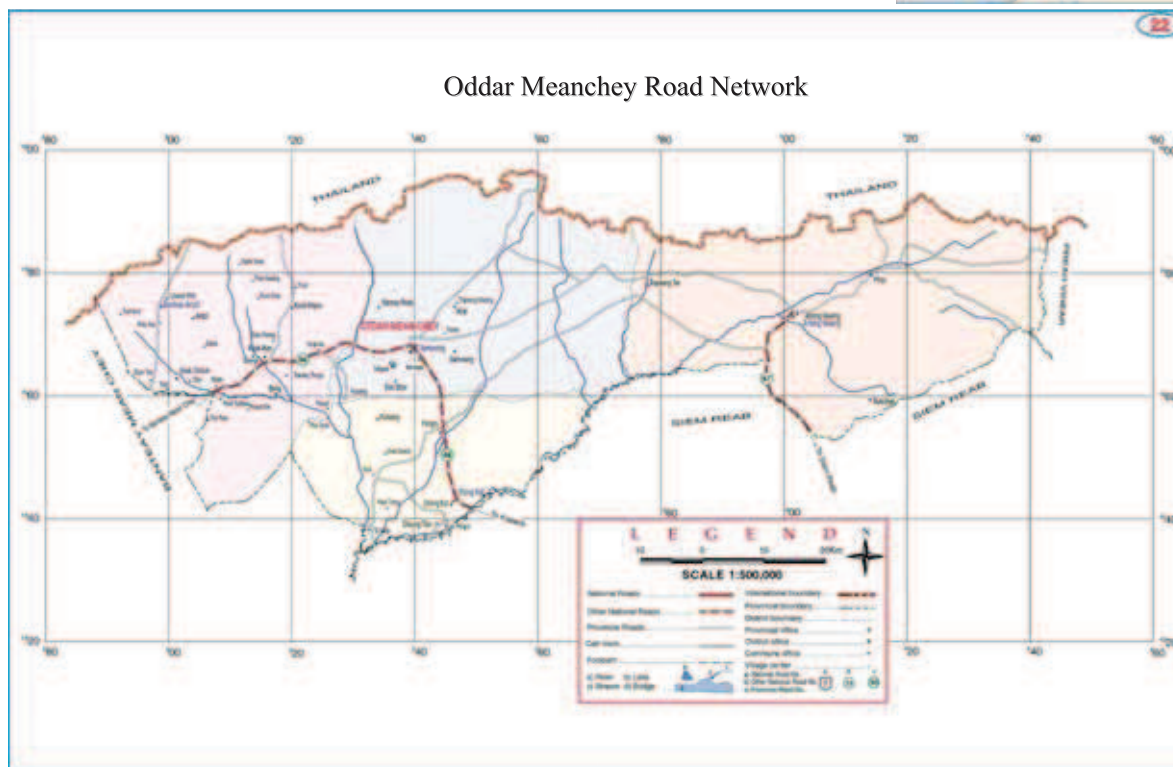


# Oddar Meanchey Province



## I. Introduction to the Province

Oddar Meanchey is located in northern Cambodia, 469 km from Phnom Penh via National Road No. 5 through 5 different provinces (Kandal, Kampong Chhnang, Pursat, Battambang, and Banteay Meanchey) or via National Road No. 6 running through 4 provinces (Kandal, Kampong Cham, Kampong Thom, and Siem Reap).

The provincial capital is Samrong, and the province has a density of 32 people per square kilometer. While the provincial area is very small compared to other provinces, the province is rich in natural resources such as forest, wildlife, fresh water fish, construction stone, untapped minerals, and natural and cultural tourism sites.

The province's economy is mainly based on farming with the remaining segment of the economy being based on fishing and trade. Because of its border with Thailand, international trade is booming and becoming another important sector to the province's economy.

Currently, many people of the province work in Thailand as factory workers. The province expects that these workers will be able to contribute to the economic development of the province in various industrial sectors in the future. The province promises good support to potential private sectors to investment in the province by providing investment incentives and business operational support.

## II. Overview of the Province

Provincial Capital	Samrong		
Total area of the Province	4,873 km <sup>2</sup>		
Landscape	Plateau		
Total Population	209,542 persons		
Population Density	32 persons/km <sup>2</sup>		
Population age over 18years	119,555 persons (Men: 59,690, Women: 59,865 )		
Temperature	24 °C - 32°C (Average: 28 °C)		
Rainfall	1,519 mm/year		
Administrative Boundary	Number of city: 1	Number of communes: 19	
	Number of districts: 5	Number of villages: 260	
	Number of sangkats: 5		
Adults with literacy	104,123 (74.22%) persons (Men: 61,653 (82.03%), Women: 42,470 (65.20%))		
Provincial Border	East: Preah Vihear Province West: Banteay Meanchey Province North: Thailand (224km from the border) South: Siem Reap Province		
Number of Establishments	Number by size	1-10 (persons)	4,837
		11-50(persons)	57
		51-100 (persons)	2
		101 or more	0
		Total	4,896

## III. Infrastructure

<b>Electricity</b>	Total Supply Amount	N/A	
	EDC	None	
	IPP	Import from Thailand: 2.3MW Local fuel-run generators: 2,605 KVA	
	Major power plant	5 local fuel-run generators	
	Major transmission line	Available only in downtown and populated areas	
<b>Water</b>	Supply amount	1,360,000 m <sup>3</sup> /year	
	Major water supply plant	Water Supply Plants: 1 private firm	
<b>Transportation</b>	Vehicles (car, bus, truck and motorcycle)		
<b>Road</b>	1 digit national roads	None	
	2 digit national roads	Total: 455.54 km (5 NRs of 2 digit)	
	Provincial (3digit) roads	Total: 343.30 km (17 provincial roads)	
	Downtown roads	75.41 km (34 downtown roads)	
	Rural roads	Total: 651.00 km (242 rural roads)	
	Total length	1,525.25 km	
<b>Rail road</b>	None		
<b>Airport</b>	One airport with the unfinished laterite runway		
<b>Port</b>	Dry Port/ Sea Port/ River Port	None	
<b>International Check Points</b>	Osmach international border gate located in Samrong City (Border with Thailand)		
	Choam international border gate located in Anlong Veng District (Border with Thailand)		

## IV. Investment

### 1) Special features or strong points for the Province in terms of investment

- Advantageous location for expanding business with other provinces in Cambodia and Thailand.
- Rich natural resources such as wildlife, forests, fresh water fish, construction stone, untapped mining resources, and natural and cultural tourism sites.
- Well developed irrigation systems consisting of 9 natural water reservoirs with a total storage capacity of 112,000,000 m<sup>3</sup>.
- Abundant labor force with a total population of 209,542 people and 119,555 young people over 18 years old.
- Climate between a minimum 24 and maximum 32 degree Celsius, which is suitable for agricultural production.
- Well developed infrastructure for electricity and water supply.
- Ensured compliance with investment related laws and regulations, and sincere support by provincial authority for investors in the investment project application process.

## 2) Investment opportunities or potential sectors

<p><b>Potential in Agriculture</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Paddy rice and milled rice, agro-industry crops (rubber, cane, tapioca, soy bean, etc.).</li> <li>➤ Aquaculture and favorable land for agro-industry.</li> </ul> <p><b>Potential in Industry (Promoting SMEs development)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mining of raw materials.</li> <li>➤ Tapioca processing plants (ethanol and tapioca powder to supply domestic and export markets).</li> <li>➤ Wood processing plants (paper manufacturing for domestic and exporting markets).</li> <li>➤ Animal feed processing and handicrafts.</li> </ul> <p><b>Potential in Tourism</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Natural, historical, and cultural resorts and tourist sites.</li> </ul> <p><b>Potential in Commerce</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Manufacturing wood furniture.</li> </ul> <p><b>Potential in social and economic infrastructures in provincial and rural areas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Local poverty reduction by taking advantage of the benefits of investment projects in the form of roads, schools, and health centers.</li> </ul>
---

3) **Approved QIP by Provinces-Municipalities Investment Sub-committees (PMIS):** None

4) **SEZ in the Province:** None

## V. Industry

### 1) Current Major Industries

While most people in the province are engaged in agricultural sectors, there are several manufacturing factories in the province:

- |                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| ➤ Ice and drinking water | ➤ Brick and mirror cutting manufacturing  |
| ➤ Rice-milling           | ➤ Steel, iron and stainless manufacturing |
| ➤ Bakeries               | ➤ Machine assembly (walking tractors)     |

### 2) Priority Industries to be Promoted

<p><b>Potential Industries including food processing industries for SMEs development:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mining of raw materials.</li> <li>➤ Food and beverage such as drinking water, ice, baked goods and rice milling.</li> <li>➤ Tapioca processing plants (ethanol and tapioca powder to supply domestic and export markets).</li> <li>➤ Wood processing plants (paper manufacturing for domestic and export markets).</li> <li>➤ Animal feed processing.</li> <li>➤ Brick.</li> </ul> <p><b>Potential in Commerce:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Manufacturing of wood furniture, and exporting paddy and milled rice, tapioca, and other crops to local and foreign markets</li> </ul> <p><b>Potential in Tourism:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Natural, historical, and cultural resorts and tourist sites.</li> </ul> <p><b>Potential in Agriculture and agro-industry:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Paddy and milled rice, agro-industry crops (rubber, cane, soy bean), fish farms.</li> </ul>
--

### 3) Reasons or Measures for Promotion of the Priority Industries

- |   |
|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Abundant natural resources can be utilized for industrial development of target industries.</li> <li>➤ Promotion of manufacturing seminar will encourage local manufacturers to learn modern technologies for manufacturing processes, which will improve their food sanitation and quality management as well as increase labor skills.</li> <li>➤ Promotion of target industries will contribute to SME development according to the Law on SMEs and Factory Establishment, and job creation, which will result in the improvement of social welfare in the province.</li> </ul> |
|---|

### 4) Economic Land Concessions related to Agro industry in the Province

Company Name	Country	Location	Size (ha)	Purpose of Investment
Meng Ly Heng Investment	Cambodia	Samrong City	1,000	Tapioca, jatropha, paddy rice
National Development Co., LTD	Cambodia	Bantai Ambil District	6,000	Tapioca
Angkor sugar	Thailand	Samrong city,	6,523	Cane
Samrong Rubber	Cambodia	Anlong Veng District	9,658	Rubber
Cambodia Canan Sugar Valley	Thailand	Samrong District,	6,595	Cane
Tonle Sugar Cane	Thailand	Chongkal District,	6,618	Cane

Best Royal	Vietnam	Trapaing Brasat District	6,500	Rubber
Temring Rubber	Thailand	Anlong Veng District,	7,750	Rubber
Data Rubber	Thailand	Anlong Veng District,	7,700	Rubber
Rubber Development Tai Neng-Siem Reap	Vietnam	Trapang Brasat District	7,600	Rubber
HoutMeng Rita	Cambodia	Trapang Brasat District	1,195	Rubber
National Plantation	Cambodia	Trapang Brasat District	9,020	Rubber
Khonsear Import-Export	Cambodia	Trapang Brasat District	8,200	Rubber
Sok Somnang	Cambodia	Trapang Brasat District	1,800	Rubber
Se Hong	Cambodia	Trapang Brasat District	9,700	Agro-Industry

## VI. Natural Resources

### 1) Agriculture

#### ➤ *Agricultural land and cultivated area: Total & by crop*

Name of Crop	Cultivated area (ha)	Yield (ton/ha)	Total Production (ton)
Rice Paddy (Dry + Wet)	70,000	Dry:3.5,Wet:2.5	175,000
Subsidiary and industrial crops	16,800	N/A	314,265
Fruit and permanent crops	2,887	N/A	N/A
Total	89,687	N/A	489,475

#### ➤ *Irrigation area*

Natural water reservoirs	Total: 79 natural reservoirs provide a total net storage volume of 112,000,000 m <sup>3</sup>
Irrigation Line	-Watering irrigation: 57 lines with total length of 2,900m -Main irrigation: 36 lines with total length of 84,440 m
Sub-irrigation line:	Total length: 12,550 m

#### ➤ *Major crops: Rice, fruits, vegetable, etc.*

Type of Crop	Cultivated Area (ha)	Production Amount (ton)
Wet Paddy Rice	69,750	174,375
Dry Paddy Rice	250	875
Sesame	459	193
Tapioca	12,495	299,880
Corn	307	1,719
Maize	55	770
Mix Vegetable	275	1,100
Cane	280	6,042
Jatropha	133	1,726
Soybean	1,573	1,966
Mug bean	458	408
Peanut	415	461

#### ➤ *Livestock Productions*

Type of Livestock	Production Amount
Cow	61,518 units
Pig	77,283 units
Chicken	227,644 units
Buffalo	7,152 units
Horse	21 units
Swan	1,050 units
Sheep	13 units
Goat	445 units

#### ➤ *Rubber*

Total: 15,000 ha Harvesting of latex from these rubber plantations is not yet begun.
---

#### ➤ *Provincial specialized fruit and product*

None
------

## 2) Forestry

Forestry area:	Total area: 65,168 ha
Wildlife sanctuary and protected area	-Kolen TrobTep wildlife sanctuary (12,264 ha) -Bantai Chmar scenery protection (38,106 ha)

## 3) Main minerals production and mining area

Name of Mineral	Production Amount	Mining Area
Gold	N/A	Beng Commune, Banteay Ambil District
Limestone	N/A	Chong kal Commune, Chong kal District and Lomtong Commune, Anlong Veng District
Coal	20,000 tons (2012)	Phav Commune, Trapang Brasat District
Iron Ore	N/A	Lomtong Commune, Anlong Veng District
Valuable stone	N/A	Preah Pralay Commune, Trapang Brasat District

## 4) Fishery

### ➤ Major Fishery Product

Type of Fish	Production Amount
Freshwater fish	40 tons
Saltwater fish	None

### ➤ Aquaculture Productions

Type of Product	Production Amount
Freshwater Fish	33 tons
Duck	13,711 units
Fish breeding	65,000 units

## 5) Tourism

### ➤ Historical/cultural area

Name	Appeal points
Anlong Veng Historical Site	This area was organized and controlled by the Khmer Rouge in the past. This was the last shelter of Khmer Rouge leaders, namely: Ta Mok, Son Sen, Pol Pot, Khaov Somporn, and Noun Chea.
Tamon Temple	This antique temple, located 48km northwest from the provincial capital, was built on the top of DongRek Mountain.
Ta Krabei Temple	This antique temple, located 45km northwest from the provincial capital, was built on the top of DongRek Mountain.
Promkil Temple	Antique temple located in Chongkal District and has been left untouched.
Khmar Cha temple	Antique temple located in Trapang Brasat District and has been left untouched.
Tep Bridge	This antique bridge, built Angkor era, is located in Chong Kal District and has had no renovations.
Da ChamPei Waterfall	Champey waterfall is located 35 km northeast of the provincial capital. There is a mountain valley on both sides of the waterfall and the surrounding area is full of flowers.
Rolus Thom	Undeveloped worn-out site of running water.
Trapang Sna	Natural lake with man-made garden and statues.

## VII. Cost of Doing Business

### 1) Real Estate

#### ➤ Land

Category	Sub-Category	Price (USD /m <sup>2</sup> )
Commercial Land	First commercial land	75 USD/m <sup>2</sup>
	Second commercial land	50 USD/m <sup>2</sup>
	Third commercial land	35 USD/m <sup>2</sup>

### 2) Manpower Cost

Category	USD	Riel
Skilled worker	4 USD/Day	16,000 Riel/Day
Unskilled worker	3 USD/Day	12,000 Riel/Day
Technician	6 USD/Day	25,000 Riel/Day
Engineer	400 USD/Month	1,600,000 Riel/Month
Middle management	250 USD/Month	1,000,000 Riel/Month

### 3) Utility Cost

Category	Sub-Category	Price
Electricity	IPP: Downtown of Topnop Dach commune, Trapang Brasat District	3,500 Riel/Kwh
	IPP: Downtown of Somrong District	8.5 Bhat/Kwh
	IPP: Downtown of Anlong Veng District	2,600Riel/Kwh
	IPP: Downtown of Banteay Ambil District	3,500Riel/Kwh
	IPP: Downtown of Chong Kal District	2,800Riel/Kwh
	IPP: Downtown of Trapang Brasat District	3,300Riel/Kwh
Gas tariff	For domestic use	4,800 Riel/kg
	For industrial use	4,800 Riel/kg
Fuel cost	Premium petrol	4,500 Riel/L
	Regular petrol	4,000 Riel/L
	Diesel	4,000 Riel/L

## VIII. Living Environment for Expatriates

### 1) Major Hotels/ Guesthouses

Name / Location	Type of Room	Rate/night (USD)
<b>Chouen Prakkap Hotel (2 stars)</b>		
<b>Address:</b> Samrong Village Commune District, Oddar Meanchey Province <b>Telephone:</b> +855(0)65391777/ 092141646	Single	23
	Twin/Double	25
<b>Sophea Guesthouse</b>		
<b>Address:</b> Anlong Veng, Oddar Meanchey <b>Telephone:</b> +855(0) 656421168, 092815551	Single/Twin Fan	8
	Single/Twin A/C	15
	Single/Twin VIP	20
<b>Meanchey Guesthouse</b>		
<b>Address:</b> St. 68 Samrong Village <b>Telephone:</b> +855(0)12275256	Fan	7

### 2) Branches of Financial Institutions

Commercial Bank	➤ Acleda Bank Plc.
Specialized bank	None

### 3) Major Hospitals/ Clinics

<b>Oddar Meanchey Provincial Referral Hospital</b>	
Opening hour	8:00 -12:00 and 14:00 -17:00
Contact number	(855) 12 723 121
Address	Chhouk village, Sangkat Somrong, Somrong city, Oddar Meanchey
<b>Anlong Veng Referral Hospital</b>	
Opening hour	8:00 -12:00 and 14:00 -17:00
Contact number	(855) 12 907 986
Address	Orchrean village, Anlong Veng commune, Anlong Veng district, Oddar Meanchey

### 4) Education (International school)

None
------

## IX. Contact Person for Investment Matters in the Province

Name: <b>Mr. Pech Ratana</b> Position: Director of Administration Department Contact number : 011 809 389, Fax: 023 357 178 E-mail address: <a href="mailto:ratanapech2000@gmail.com">ratanapech2000@gmail.com</a>	Name: <b>Mr. Tho Boa</b> Position: Vice Chief of Inter-Sector Office Contact number : 011 272 780 and 088 827 2880 E-mail address: <a href="mailto:thoboa@yahoo.com">thoboa@yahoo.com</a>
---	--