

## Technical Cooperation for SME Bank of Cambodia

JFC-Micro has provided technical cooperation for SME Bank of Cambodia to develop their human resources and its credit operations, as an ODA project of Policy Research Institute (PRI) of Ministry of Finance (MOF), Japan.

### June 20-21, 2023 Seminar on SME finance for SME Bank of Cambodia

JFC-Micro, requested by the Policy Research Institute (PRI), held a seminar on SME finance for SME Bank of Cambodia.

There were 25 participants from SME Bank of Cambodia. Through this seminar, we implemented some lectures on SME Finance in Japan, roles of JFC-Micro, credit analysis methods for SMEs. The lectures included "qualitative analysis" which grasps enterprises' conditions through interviews and site-visits and "qualitative analysis" which analyzes financial statements.

The seminar was quite active, as the participants asked many questions about policy-based finance and credit analysis methods for SMEs, and they also actively worked on exercises.

We plan to continue to support Cambodia's SME finance sector through holding seminars and discussions in Cambodia and Japan.



### November 14, 2023 Seminar on Supporting Start-up for SME Bank of Cambodia

JFC-Micro and PRI held a seminar on Supporting Start-up for SME Bank of Cambodia.

There were 33 participants, including staff from SME Bank and two staff from Techo Startup Center, a start-up support organization for start-up companies in Cambodia. PRI made lectures on "Activities of PRI and policy-based financing in Japan" and JFC-Micro made lectures on "Current situation of start-up in Japan", "JFC's support for start-up" and "Points of making a business plan".

It was a very successful seminar, with many questions and opinions from the participants regarding the differences between the start-up situation in Cambodia and Japan, the concept of loans for start-up, how to evaluate business plans etc.

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