



Baan Mae Jae Boarding House

Facts

Name	Baan Mae Jae
Type of facility	Boarding House
No. of students	Currently 20 Boarders (13 girls, 7 boys)
Size of building	180 m ²
Budget	US\$ 30,316
Construction period	Feb 2011 – Jul 2011
Project manager	Chalach Mongkolsoemsakul
Location (Province)	Thailand (Mae Hong Son)

Description

Located in a remote region of Mae Hong Son province, Baan Mae Jae Nursery and Primary School has been providing education to children from three neighbouring villages, most belong to the Karen ethnic minority group. Although most of the villagers are poor and illiterate, they understand and believe in the importance of education for their children. Some children will even walk 7km every day, just so that they can attend classes. This journey becomes particularly dangerous during the rainy season, as the mountainous terrain becomes slippery and susceptible to landslides. Hence, the school has been providing accommodation to students living far away. Currently, there are 20 students living in the teachers' room. As there are currently no schools offering lower secondary education in this sub-district, Baan Mae Jae Nursery and Primary School plans to fill this gap and expand their curriculum to offer classes up to grade 9. Hence, the number of boarding students is expected to increase to approx. 50 students over the next five years.

Map



Implementation

We will support the construction of one boarding house for the girls. The boys will continue to live in the teachers' room. Child's Dream might consider building a second boarding house, if the number of male boarders increases significantly in the future. Three toilets will be built and furniture for both the new boarding house and the existing teachers' room will be provided. Construction material will be purchased from a shop in Khun Yuam district and a local contractor will be hired to manage the actual construction work. The students' parents and the community will contribute wood and unskilled labour and aid in preparing the land for construction. Jack, our project manager was particularly impressed with the strong commitment the teachers and the school principal show towards their students and their work. The construction work is expected to take place from February 2011 to July 2011 with a budget of US\$ 30,316.--.

Photos



Journey to school can be very dangerous



Boarders' things are neatly arranged

Budget

Item	THB	USD	In %
Construction material	540,241	18,008	59
Labor	180,000	6,000	20
Interior / Furniture	60,000	2,000	6
Transportation	45,000	1,500	5
Direct Project Administration	24,757	825	3
Administration Overhead contribution	59,500	1,983	7
Total Budget	909,498	30,316	100



Children studying in this school

Project manager

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