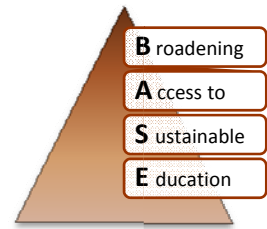




Baan Thong Secondary School



Facts

Name	Baan Thong
Level	Secondary School
No. of students	271 (187 m/ 85 f)
No. of teachers	14
No. of class rooms	6
Size of building	336m2
Budget	THB 1,525,179
Construction period	January-June 2010
Project manager	Supatra Matakoon
Location (District)	Muang Ngern, Xaignabouli

Description

The original Baan Thong school was built in 1994 as a primary school. Later on, it was converted to secondary school. There are 165 families living in Baan Thong village, which totals to a population of 884 (447 female) people. However, the 271 students in this school come from eight villages and are mostly ethnic minorities called "Khamu" and "Mhong". The village located the farthest away from the school is Baan Huay Ngeuy (17km away) and therefore 191 students stay as boarders in small bamboo huts at the school from Monday to Friday. In 2007, the Korean government helped the villagers to build one school building with 5 classrooms. Currently, there are two buildings of which one is very old needing constant repairs. Only two toilets cater to students. Baan Thong is a Laotian government secondary school, teaching materials are provided by the government. Since the villagers belong to ethnic minorities, they are very poor and villagers can only contribute to the construction to a certain extent.

Map



Implementation

We plan to build one safe and sustainable secondary school building with 6 classrooms, 4 toilets, one water system as well as school furniture. Villagers will contribute with land preparation, soil filling, by providing wood, water, sand and stones. A professional construction team headed by a foreman will manage the actual construction work. The community is easily accessible by car. Construction material can be transported without difficulty. The price of construction material and the exchange rate are unstable, which might have an impact on the budget. We consider this to be a low risk project since we have a good relationship with the local authorities, the communities as well as the students. We target to complete this school by June 2010. This will depend on the intensity of the annual rainy season and the contribution of the community.

Photos



The school building

Budget

Item	THB	In %
Construction materials	741,694.00	49%
Finishing materials	101,572.00	7%
Labor	180,000.00	12%
Transportation	32,000.00	2%
Furniture/Interior equipment	235,200.00	15%
Water System	100,000.00	7%
Direct Project Administration	41,713.00	3%
Administration Overhead contribution	93,000.00	6%
Total Budget	1,525,179.00	100%



the road to Baan Thong



the "dormitories" – siblings live together in small houses and are basically self sufficient

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