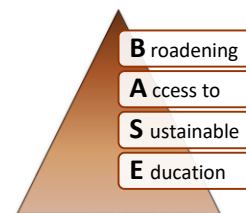




Damnok Toek Primary School



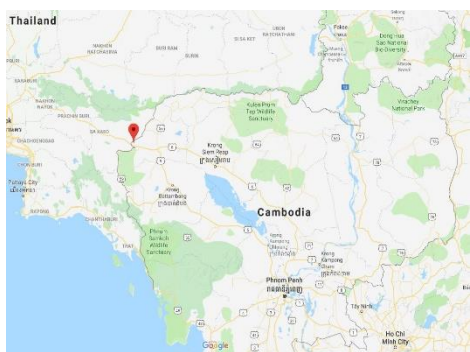
Facts

Name	Damnok Toek
Type of facility	School building
Number of students	195 (63 boys, 132 girls)
Number of teachers	8 (3 men, 5 women)
Number of facilities to be built	1 concrete building with 5 furnished classrooms
Size of building	360 m ²
Budget	USD 58,752
Construction period	October 2018 - March 2019
Project Manager	Mr. Sinoeuy My
Location	Palelai Village Poipet City Banteay Meanchey Province Cambodia

Description

Damnok Toek (DT) is a local NGO which has been operating since 1997 to offer a wide range of development services and charitable projects for vulnerable (street) children as well as those under substance abuse in a rural, underprivileged village in Banteay Meanchey Province, northwest Cambodia. The primary school is integral to DT's Non-Formal Education (NFE) programme as the intervention provides access to free national-curriculum education for children who cannot afford to attend public/formal schooling. Coming from dire socioeconomic circumstances, the children (aged 6 – 12) are ensured through NFE a full cycle of primary education (grade 1 – 6) and continue to secondary level when they reintegrate into mainstream public schools. The facilities of the primary school currently consist of 2 dilapidated wooden buildings of 2 classrooms each, built in 1997, and another rental building off-campus with 4 classrooms as the organisation has not had enough funds for building classes on their own premises. We would, therefore, like to support DT with a concrete school building of 5 fully furnished classrooms to accommodate increasing numbers of students, capped at 350, learning within DT's own grounds. This will enable an effective and more motivating learning environment in a modern, spacious building. The collaboration gives priority to inclusive quality education where poverty-stricken students would otherwise drop out of school. The current lease for the rented property will also expire end of 2018.

Map



Implementation

The construction work is planned to start at the beginning of October 2018 and will take approximately 6 months to be completed by end of March 2019. As with all our projects, the local community will be involved in the construction process. Engagement of the community is critical, as it encourages trust, a stronger sense of ownership and solidarity. The community will contribute by filling the foundation ground for construction as well as helping with the preparations for the school opening celebration. A local contractor will be hired to manage the labour and transportation of materials, oversee the construction, and arrange for the furniture needed. Once the project is completed, the community and DT staff will be responsible for maintenance of the school. Payments will be made in instalments, according to the progress of the construction, and 5% of the total cost will be held back for six months, as a guarantee for the quality of the work. Having previously cooperated with DT for many years through a boarding house construction project, water supply system and playground installation, we consider this a low-risk project through their long-term upkeep of the facilities. Situated nearby the main road, the school is highly accessible during any season throughout the year.

Photos



One of the on-campus wooden school buildings with the other situated opposite in similar condition.

Budget

Item	USD	In %
Construction Material	35,443	60
Labour	12,488	21
Transportation	787	2
Interior and Furniture	4,282	7
Implementation and Monitoring	1,639	3
Administration Overhead	4,113	7
Total Budget	58,752	100



The inside of a classroom of the ramshackle wooden building with zinc roof, which can be badly affected by the heat during dry seasons.



The playground built by Child's Dream in 2016.



Space for the pupils to learn outside school hours with their peers and teachers.