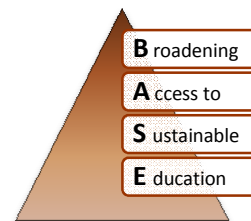




## Gae Lae Secondary School



### Facts

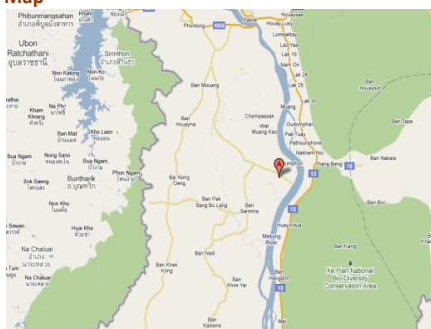
Name	Gae Lae
Level	Secondary School
No. of students	161 (61 girls/100 boys)
No. of teachers	8
No. of class rooms	6 classrooms
Size of building	343m <sup>2</sup>
Budget	US\$ 38,437
Construction period	07/2010 - 02/2011
Project manager	Supatra Matakoon
Location (District)	Pathumporn, Laos

### Description

This secondary School, which is a governmental school, was opened only two years ago. Due to the small budget which was released by the Laotian government for the construction of the school, the building was too small from the beginning to accommodate the high number of students who are coming from 27 surrounding villages. Furthermore the construction quality is not up to our standards but this problem can be addressed at a much later stage. Therefore the community has built 2 additional classrooms (more like temporary shelters) on their own initiative which from a safety point of view are not suitable and have to be replaced.

As of next year, the existing number of classrooms will not meet the needs of the school any longer. Furthermore, the new classrooms are also needed to offer more grades (6 and 7) which are currently not offered due to a lack of space. The school has eight teachers.

### Map



### Implementation

We plan to build a school which accommodates six classrooms and four toilets. The villagers will contribute themselves to construction by providing wood for the roof, for furniture, for a balcony, for window frames and for the doors. The Laotian government will continue to support the school by hiring the teachers and providing the teaching materials, including salaries.

A professional construction team headed by a foreman will manage the actual construction work. All required construction materials can be sourced and transported from Pakse. The construction site can be accessed by car however; the road to the village is in a very bad condition.

We consider this to be a low risk project, as long as we do not get involved in Laotian politics. Fluctuating prices for construction material might affect the overall budget. Transportation of construction material may be difficult particularly during a heavy rainy season.

We target to complete this secondary school by February 2011.

### Photos



Kids in one of the additional classrooms

### Budget

Item	THB	US\$	In %
Construction materials	843,693	26,365	69
Labor	180,000	5,625	15
Interior / Furniture	42,000	1,313	3
Transportation	40,000	1,250	3
Direct Project Administration	33,171	1,037	3
Administration Overhead contribution	91,109	2,847	7
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>1,229,973</b>	<b>38,437</b>	<b>100</b>



The existing, too small school building



Villagers participating in the first meeting

### Project manager

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