

Khun Tuen Primary School

Facts

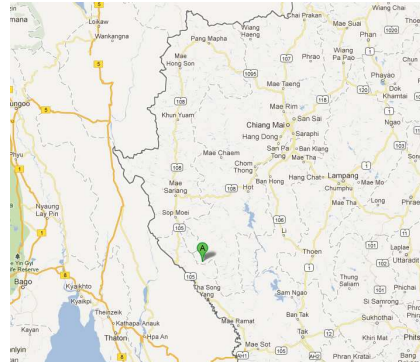
Name	Khun Tuen
School Type	Primary School
No. of students	170 students 88 boys, 82 girls
No. of teachers	8 (4 male and 4 female)
Classrooms	3 classrooms
Size of building	168 m2
Budget	USD 34,615
Construction period	January – May 2013
Project manager	Chalach Mongkolsoemsakul Nickname: Jack
Location	Chiang Mai Province, Om-Koi District, North Thailand

Description

Khun Tuen Primary School is a Thai government school, located in Om-Koi district, Chiang Mai province, northern Thailand. It provides education that ranges from kindergarten to primary six levels. Currently, 170 students (82 girls and 88 boys) are attending classes in Khun Tuen Primary School. The majority of students belong to the Karen ethnic minority group, but are considered legal Thai citizens. The students come from five surrounding villages, the farthest is 8 km away. The school already has 2 boarding houses that are providing shelter for 45 students. At the moment the boarding facilities are sufficient, but a new one might be necessary after the rainy season. The communities living in this area are mostly self-sufficient farmers and have an average income of approx. USD 100 per month (for a family of four persons). Most people who are older than 30 years can't write or read and have problems in communicating in Thai language. Nevertheless, the teachers are highly motivated and are trying to develop the school and teach the community about the importance of education.

The current school was established 30 years ago by the community. Over the years the building deteriorated, especially the foundation and the community had to repair the foundation every year. Currently, the facility is no longer considered a conducive and safe learning environment.

Map



Implementation

We plan to build a new school building with 3 classrooms. Additionally we will provide the school with furniture. The community and the students' parents will be contributing wood and unskilled labour. They will also prepare the land for the construction. The construction material will be purchased and transported from a construction shop in Om-Koi. The construction process will be managed by a professional contractor. The construction workers will be paid in three instalments after the completion of each agreed step. 5% of the total labour cost will be withheld for one year, as warranty for the building. The construction is scheduled to begin in January 2013 and is expected to be complete in May 2013. The project is challenging, as the school has limited space and the construction area of the school building is on a large rock, which is more difficult for planning. Additionally the project will be implemented partially during the rainy season and as the school is located in a remote area, the road might be cut off. This might lead to complications for material transportation, construction process and monitoring of the project.

Photos



The foundation of the rotten school building

Budget

Item	THB	USD	In %
Construction materials	636,128	20,857	60%
Labour	200,000	6,557	19%
Interior / Furniture	59,000	1,934	6%
Transportation	50,000	1,639	5%
Monitoring & Implementation (4%)	39,380	1,291	4%
Child's Dream Overhead	71,280	2,337	6%
Total Budget	1,055,788	34,615	100%



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