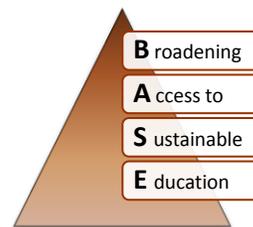




Lion Mahajak 9 Border Patrol Police School Boarding House



Facts

Name	Lion Mahajak 9 Border Patrol Police School
Building Type	Boarding House
No. of boarders	currently 84 (40 boys, 44 girls)
Size of building	90 m ²
Budget	USD 26,310
Construction period	April-August 2013
Project manager	Jack Mongkolsoemsakul
Location (District)	Kuedchang Sub-District, Mae Tang District, Chiang Mai Province, Thailand

Description

Lion Mahajak 9 Border Patrol Police School is located in the Mae Tang District (see map), Chiang Mai province, North Thailand. Far inside Kuedchang sub-district, it is very difficult to access this school due to the mountainous terrain and poor road conditions. The school is located close to the village of Baan Pha Khao Lam with a population of 50 households (246 persons) and services another 4 villages, up to 8 km away from the school facilities. All of the 115 students (54 boys, 61 girls) are from the Karen ethnic minority group and 84 stay at the boarding houses. There are 4 school buildings (including 2 boarding houses for boys and 1 for girls) with 7 classrooms and 2 toilet buildings. Especially the boarding house for the girls is very old and the building has become unsafe. Building a new boarding house for them is urgent. There are presently 6 school teachers and a school director. This is a Thai government school that offers basic education that ranges from kindergarten to primary level 6. Although the school and boarding facilities are small and overcrowded, a teacher takes care of the students staying at the boarding houses and the students are very disciplined in keeping it clean and tidy themselves. The children have a keen interest in learning. More than 80 % of last year's students continued on to secondary school.

Map



Implementation

We will build a new boarding house for the girls and add a water system as a second step. There is plenty of space around the existing school and the community will prepare the land and support the construction with manual labor and wood. Construction materials will be bought from a construction shop in Mae Tang district. We plan to hire a professional contractor. The contractor will be paid in three installments after the completion of each agreed step. 5% of the total price will be withheld for one year as guarantee. Construction is scheduled to start in April 2013 and, if weather allows, end in August 2013. This project bears a higher risk due to potential transportation difficulties. The school is located in a tropical rainforest, transportation of construction materials during the rainy season will be a challenge. The school is about 80 km from town (50 km are asphalt road and 30 km are gravel road). The sustainability of the project is assured as the school is recognized as a Thai government school and the community maintains good relationships with the authorities.

Photos



The present boarding house of the girls

Preliminary Budget

Item	THB	USD 1 = THB 29.30	
		USD	In %
Construction materials	438,284	14,958	57%
Labour	150,000	5,119	20%
Boarding House Furniture	50,000	1,706	6%
Transportation	50,000	1,706	6%
Project Implementation Cost	28,679	979	4%
Administration Overhead	53,965	1,842	7%
Total Budget	770,928	26,310	100



inside the crowded boarding house of the girls



The girls in the library

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