

Facts

Name	Na Hung Noi
Type of facility	Lower Secondary School
No. of students	336 (148 boys, 188 girls)
No. of teachers	17 (7 males, 10 females)
No. of classrooms	7
Size of building	392 m ²
Budget	USD 66,602
Construction period	Oct 2013 - Sept 2014
Project manager	Ms. Supattra Matakoon
Location (Province)	Baan Na Hung Noi, Atsapon District, Savannakhet Province, Southern Laos

Description

Na Hung Noi Lower Secondary School is located in the Atsapon district, Savannakhet Province in Southern Laos. The villagers, who are from the Phu Thai ethnic minority group, mostly depend on subsistence farming to make their living. The lower secondary school, established in 1980, was first located in a neighbouring village called Tha Teb. As the possibilities for expansion were very limited, the community decided in 1994 to move the school to Na Hung Noi. After many years in use, the school, consisting of two buildings with a total of six classrooms, was in very bad conditions. After realising that the school is no longer save for their children, the community started to collect money from the four surrounding villages, where the children come from, and started the construction of a new building. Despite their effort and serious attempt to provide a safe learning environment to their children, only three classrooms could be made ready for use. This causes a big problem for the community as they expect the number of students to grow to over 350 in the next academic year 2013 – 2014. The school urgently needs a new building that is safe and designed to provide a good learning environment. It will also underline the importance of education to the children and is something that they can be proud of. Furthermore, it will inspire them to want to attend school regularly and learn.

Map



Implementation

We plan to support Baan Na Hung Noi Lower Secondary School by constructing one new building with seven classrooms and four toilet blocks. We will also provide the furniture for the classrooms. The government will provide support for the teacher's salaries and teaching materials. Our approach is always to involve the community in the project in order to encourage ownership and community development. For this project the community has assured to provide wood for the building, earth for land fill and the foundation as well as water and electricity needed for the construction. If possible a local contractor will be chosen, who will also be responsible for the purchasing and the transportation of the construction material. The contractor will be paid in instalments according to the progress of the building and 5% percent will be held back for one year as a guarantee for the quality of the work. The government and the community will together be responsible for this school after the construction is completed. We consider this to be a low risk project as the school is managed very well and the community has always supported the school and its activities. Also this school is accessible without difficulties in every season of the year.

Photos



Welcome to Na Hung Noi Lower Secondary School



Not a safe learning environment for the students

Budget

1 USD = 31 THB

Item	THB	USD	In %
Construction material	1,256,348	40,527	61
Labour	270,671	8,731	13
Transportation	50,124	1,617	2
Interior / Furniture	247,013	7,968	12
Monitoring & Implementation cost	96,008	3,097	5
Administration Overhead contribution	144,528	4,662	7
Total Budget	2,064,692	66,602	100



The school building is in disrepair

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