

# Nowneur Secondary School

## Facts

Name	Nowneur
Level	Secondary
No. of students	187 (secondary only)
No. of teachers	22 (for whole school)
No. of class rooms	6 (for secondary only)
Size of building	336m <sup>2</sup>
Budget	THB 1,619,884
Construction period	March 09 – July 09
Project manager	Prasert Maithong
Location	Saibuli/ Sawannakhet

## Map



## Photos



The old building from the outside...



.... and from the inside

## Description

Nowneur is located about 40km from the town of Xeno in Sawannakhet Province in southern Laos. Nowneur Secondary School was built in 1987 by a group of thirty villages located within a distance of 20km from Nowneur. They managed to fund and construct the initial building without the help of the government. A second building was constructed with government funding. The communities have carried out renovation works three times so far. Given the villagers' limited financial means, however, they were not able to maintain the facilities properly and they are now in very bad condition. To ensure the safety of the students, a new building with six class rooms is urgently required. The whole school has 587 students of which 187 are secondary school students who will use the new facility. A total of 22 teachers look after the 587 students.

## Implementation

The proposed school building will have six class rooms with a total space of approx. 340m<sup>2</sup>. Child's Dream will also provide new school furniture for all the rooms. In addition Child's Dream will build 6 new toilets.

The community agreed to help with their labour and to contribute bricks, earth and water. Child's Dream will purchase and pay all the required construction material directly in a shop in Xeno. The shop will also be responsible for the transportation to Nowneur.

About 80 students currently stay in 'shacks' which serve as boarding huts. They are in very bad condition and we are considering to up-grade as well.

## Objectives

- ✓ To broaden the access to education
- ✓ To reduce illiteracy among the children and therefore offer them better chances to lead a self-determined life
- ✓ To increase safety and hygiene standards in the school increasing incentives to go to school regularly

## Sustainability

- ✓ teaching material will be provided by the Laotian government
- ✓ all teachers are and will be paid by the Laotian government
- ✓ Child's Dream will provide additional stationary if required
- ✓ Child's Dream will regularly check construction status and incl. follow-up visits

## Budget

Items	THB	USD	%
Construction materials	873,165	24,948	54
Finishing materials	282,947	8,084	17
Labour	208,333	5,952	13
Transportation	64,743	1,850	4
Furniture/interior	138,750	3,964	9
Administration	51,946	1,484	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,619,884</b>	<b>46,282</b>	<b>100</b>

## Comments

Low risk project, good community support