



Tonhan Secondary School

Facts

Name	Tonhan School
Level	Secondary
No. of students	467
No. of teachers	25
No. of class rooms	6
Size of building	336m2
Budget	THB 1,535,735
Construction period	March 09 – July 09
Project manager	Prasert Maithong
Location	Saibuli/ Sawannakhet

Map



Photos



An old building from the outside...



.... and from the inside

Description

Tonhan is located about 40km from the town of Xeno in Sawannakhet Province in Southern Laos. Tonhan Secondary School was built in 1978 by a group of twelve villages. They managed to fund and build six buildings without the help of the government. Given their limited financial means, however, the villages 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 required.

The school offers education to 467 children, 238 of which are girls and 229 are boys. 25 teachers take care of the students (13 ladies and 12 men).

Implementation

The proposed school building will have six class rooms with a total space of approx. 340m2. Child's Dream will also provide new school furniture for all the rooms. In addition Child's Dream will build 4 new toilets.

The community agreed to help with the preparation of the land and to contribute earth, stones, sand and bricks. The local education ministry will provide the teaching material and the parents are responsible for school uniforms and books.

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 Tonhan. The workers will be paid in cash, whereas the material shop will be paid via wire transfer.

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	796,950	22,770	52
Finishing materials	282,947	8,084	18
Labour	208,333	5,952	14
Transportation	60,932	1,741	4
Furniture/interior	138,750	3,964	9
Administration	47,823	1,366	3
Total	1,535,735	43,877	100

Comments

This is considered a low risk project as long as we do not intervene in internal Laotian politics.