



Baan Sop Muay Nursery School



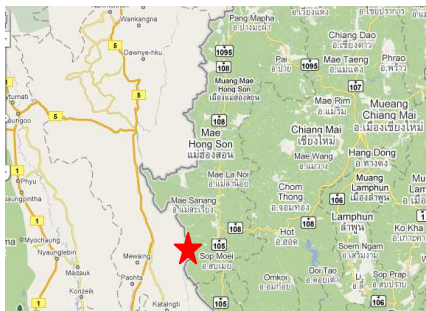
Facts

Name	Sop Muay
Level	Nursery School
No. of students	29 (16 boys, 13 girls)
No. of teachers	1
No. of class rooms	2 new rooms
Size of building	128 m2
Budget	USD 13,036
Construction period	06-09/2010
Project manager	J. Mongkolsoemsakul
Location (District)	Mae Hong Son, Thailand

Description

Sop Muay Nursery School is located in Sop Muay village, in Mae Sam Lap district, Mae Hong Son Province, North-West Thailand. This community is rather difficult to contact and reach, since they only have limited access to electricity and telephones and the road leading to the village is in bad condition. The school is located right on the border to Karen State (Burma). Two rivers are nearby, the Salwin and the Muay. The school is a Thai government school but most children are from the Karen minority – some parents are from Karen State within Burma. The Thai government pays for the nursery teacher and provides milk for the children; the community has contributed with whatever they could in the past. Since March 2008 the community has been running a nursery school for children aged 2-5 years in the computer room of the primary school, which is neither suitable nor available all the time.

Map



Implementation

Child's Dream plans to build a one-storey building with two rooms (one will be a teacher's sleeping room) and two toilets for the nursery school children. Teaching them in the computer room of the primary school is no longer sustainable. The community agreed to provide stones, sand and wood and to help leveling the land with free labor. We will buy construction material from Thong Chai construction material shop in Mae Sariang and have it transported to Sop Muay School by truck and boat. We negotiated that the local government supports us with transportation but total transportation cost is still higher than in comparable projects due to the remote location. A professional contractor will build the school with his team. Payments will be made in four installments after completion of each working step (30%, 30%, 35%). 5% will be kept as a guarantee for 12 months).

Photo



The nursery school children in the computer room

Budget

	Local Currency (THB)	US\$	in %
Construction Material	250,633	7,721	59
Labor	80,000	2,465	19
Interior/Furniture	30,000	924	7
Transportation	20,000	616	5
Direct Project Administration	13,000	400	3
Administration Overhead Cost	29,525	910	7
Total	423,158	13,036	100



...sufficient space for a new nursery building



...discussions with the villagers

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