

### Facts

Name	Ekkaphap
Type of facility	Secondary School
No. of students	824 (413 boys, 411 girls)
No. of teachers	61 (17 male, 44 female)
Number of Classrooms	2 new school buildings with total 10 classrooms and 2 toilets
Budget	<b>USD 98,928</b>
Construction period	May – December 2015
Project manager	Ms. Supattra Matakoon
Location (Province)	Na Lao Village Xayabouli District, Xaignabouli, North Laos

### Description

Ekkaphap Secondary School is located in the Xayabouli District in Xaignabouli Province of North Laos. The local community has a population of approximately 2,000. Most villagers are subsistence farmers or plant all kind of crops. The students come from ten surrounding villages and the main ethnicities found in these communities are Hmong, Khamu, Lao and Mien. Established in 1976, the school currently consists of 5 buildings with a total of 20 classrooms and offers education throughout the secondary level. There are currently 824 students, aged 11 to 17, being taken care off by 61 teachers. The issue is that with only 20 classrooms available, the school faces serious overcrowding and students suffer under a chaotic learning environment. Moreover, three of the five school buildings are dealing with leaking ceilings and roofs whilst another building is deteriorating rapidly and becoming unsafe. This bulding is made out of wood and is infested by termites. By providing two new school buildings with a total of ten classrooms, we are addressing the overcrowding problem, which will permit students to fully benefit from their education. Furthermore, the new school buildings will emphasize the importance of education to the community and provide an incentive for the children and youth to continue with and complete secondary education.

### Map



### Implementation

In order to improve the existing insufficient learning environment, we will construct two new school buildings with ten classrooms and two toilets, along with renovating four existing classrooms. The Laotian Government is responsible for the teachers' salaries and the provision of learning materials. As with all our projects, we will seek the involvement of the local community in the construction process as much as possible. The villagers of Na Lao will contribute wood for framing and scaffolding, sand, stone, and water and electricity for the construction process. We will select a trusted local contractor to coordinate all phases of construction and to purchase all needed construction materials. The contractor will be paid in four instalments based on the construction progress, with 5% of the labor cost held back for 1 year as a guarantee for the quality of the work. The Laotian Government and the local community will be responsible for the school building once the construction is completed.

We consider this project as low risk. The school is easily accessible due to the good conditions of the roads and its location in town. We aim to start construction in May 2015 and completion is expected by the end of December 2015.



Some classrooms are visibly deteriorating

### Budget

1 USD = 32.00 THB

Item	THB	USD	In %
Construction material	1,860,743	58,148	59
Labour	567,606	17,738	18
Interior & Furniture	398,000	12,437	12
Monitoring & Implementation cost	117,765	3,680	4
Administration Overhead contribution	221,600	6,925	7
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>3,165,714</b>	<b>98,928</b>	<b>100</b>



Classrooms are overcrowded due to the large student population



Made out of wood, this school building is starting to falling apart

### Project manager

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