

Facts

Name	Hua Na
Type of facility	Lower Secondary School
No. of students	770 (395 boys, 375 girls)
No. of teachers	23 (11 male, 12 female)
Number of classrooms	1 new school building with 6 classrooms and 4 toilets
Budget	Approx. USD 55,000
Construction period	11/2015 - 05/2016
Project manager	Ms. Supattra Matakoon
Location (Province)	Hua Na Village Nam Bak District, Luang Prabang Province, North Laos

Description

Hua Na Lower Secondary School is located in Nam Bak District in Luang Prabang Province, North Laos. The local community has a population of approximately 2,400, where most earn income from animal husbandry or plantation crops. The main ethnicities found in the community are Hmong, Khamu, and Lao. Opened in 2012, the school currently possesses one building which houses seven classrooms, and was until recently sharing another building with a nearby primary school. The school provides education from Lower Secondary level 1 to Lower Secondary level 3 for 770 students, aged between 11 - 14. With only seven classrooms to fit 770 students, the school has resorted to split the day for different grade levels, reducing time spent in school. Even then, classrooms are crowded, causing a raucous and chaotic environment which does not benefit the students' education. By providing a new school building with six classrooms, we are addressing the overcrowding which will permit students to fully benefit from their education. Furthermore, a new school building will emphasize the importance of education to the community and provide an incentive for the children and youth to continue with and complete lower secondary education.

Map



Implementation

In order to improve the existing insufficient learning environment, we will construct two new school buildings with twelve classrooms and eight toilets (This proposal is for one building only). The Laotian Government is responsible for the teachers' salaries and the provision of learning materials. As with all our projects, we will seek to involve the local community in the construction process as much as possible. The villagers of Hua Na will contribute unskilled labour and will aid with the preparation of the school foundation. We will select a trusted local contractor to coordinate all phases of construction and to purchase materials in the local community. 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 November 2015 and completion is expected by the end of May 2016.

Photos



Hua Na Lower Secondary School

Budget – approx. values only! Detailed budget only available later

Item	USD	In %
Construction material	32,893	59 %
Labour	9,477	17 %
Interior & Furniture	6,133	11 %
Transportation	1,115	2 %
Monitoring & Implementation cost	2,230	4 %
Administration Overhead contribution	3,902	7 %
Total Budget	55,750	100 %



Classrooms are overcrowded due to the large student population



With the number of students rising every year, there is an urgent need for more classrooms

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