

Facts

Name	Khvav Thom Primary
Type of facility	School Building
Number of students	239 (112 boys, 127 girls)
Number of teachers	5 (3 male, 2 female)
Number of classrooms to be built	1 building with 5 furnished classrooms and 4 toilets
Size of building	360 m ²
Budget	USD 58,764
Construction period	March to October 2017
Project manager	Sinoeuy My (Mr.)
Location (Province)	Komno Koki Village Sampov Luon District Battambang Province Cambodia

Description

In spite of its flourishing tourism, Cambodia is still one of the poorest and least developed countries in Southeast Asia. Development is not evenly distributed in the country and many rural communities remain poverty-stricken as corruption and self-interest impedes the country's growth. Khvav Thom Primary School is located in the Komno Koki Village in the Sirey Meanchey Commune in the Sampov Luon District of Battambang Province in Cambodia, very close to the Thai-Cambodian border. The village was founded in 2000 and officially registered in 2009, and home to 360 families who moved here from various areas. The majority of the 1,593 residents live on cassava cultivation and farming. In 2007, the community has built a rudimentary primary school building with 3 classrooms, made out of zinc walls and roof, which get really hot in the dry season and very noisy in the rainy season. The school offers 239 students aged 6 to 12 basic education in a very bad condition. It reached its capacity limit and is in dire need of replacement. The students clearly lack of safe and suitable infrastructure to focus on learning. Therefore we have decided to replace the dreadful building with a new concrete school building with 5 fully furnished classrooms and 4 toilets. This new building will provide a safe and conducive learning environment, emphasise the importance of education to the community and provide an incentive for the children and youth to continue with and complete primary education. The toilets will increase sanitation standards of the school facility and will prevent hygiene-related illnesses and hence reduce the amount of drop outs. The numbers of students is expected to increase in the coming years.

Map



Implementation

We will support Khvav Thom Primary School by constructing one new school building with 5 fully furnished classrooms and 4 toilets to replace the existing deteriorated building which will permit students to fully concentrate on their education. As with all our projects, the local community will be involved in the construction process. Involvement of the community is critical, as it encourages a stronger sense of ownership over the project. The community will contribute by clearing the school ground, filling up the foundation, building a fence around the school, and encouraging children to come to school regularly. A local contractor will be hired to manage the labour and transportation of materials, oversee the construction, and arrange for the furniture needed. Once the project is completed, the community will be responsible for the maintenance of the school. Payments will be made in instalments, according to the progress of the construction and 5% of the total cost will be held back for six months, as a guarantee for the quality of the work. The teachers' salaries, training and follow-ups are supported and managed by the government. A challenge to the project may be the access through the dirt road from the main road which can get very muddy during the rainy season. Access during the dry season is no problem. Construction is due to begin in March and expected to be completed by the end of October 2017.

Photos



Khvav Thom Primary School lacks a safe and study-friendly building and has no access to improved sanitation.



The walls are made out of metal sheets and its sharp edges are everyday risks to school children. The building is furthermore totally rotten.

Budget

Item	USD	In %
Construction Material	37,326	63
Labour	11,654	20
Interior & Furniture	3,545	6
Transportation	486	1
Implementation & Monitoring Cost	1,640	3
Administration Overhead	4,113	7
Total Budget	58,764	100



Community involvement is important in the process. Our team meeting with the community to discuss their contribution.

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