

Facts

Name	Jom Jiang
Type of facility	School Building
No. of students	222 (112 boys, 110 girls)
No. of teachers	15 (10 men, 5 women)
No. of new buildings	1 school building & 4 toilets
No. of classrooms	5 fully furnished classrooms
Size of building	280 m ²
Budget	USD 54,702
Construction period	December 2017 - May 2018
Project manager	Mr. Somsak Kamdang
Location (Province)	Jom Jiang Village, Phon Sai District, Luang Prabang Province, North Laos

Map



Photos



The school building does not provide a safe learning environment and has many holes in the walls



Classrooms are often very crowded, rotten and loud. This is not a conducive learning environment

Description

The village of Jom Jiang is located in the Phon Sai district of Luang Prabang province in North Laos. Most of the villagers earn their living through animal husbandry and plantation work. Jom Jiang school was first established in 2011. The community built that school with their own workers and equipment and has been renovating it every year before the new semester started. Due to limited resources, the temporary building was poorly constructed, made out of wood weaves and a zinc roof. The school building is in very poor condition as there are big holes in the walls and the roof is leaking. The classrooms are heavily overcrowded. This is not a conducive, healthy nor safe environment for students to learn in. Such an environment makes it difficult for students to concentrate on their studies. The lower secondary school has 222 students in attendance, aged 11-15. The school not only attracts students from Jom Jiang village, but also from four surrounding villages. To provide a stable, safe and conducive learning environment for the students, we will support Jom Jiang Lower Secondary School with a new, high quality school building with five fully furnished classrooms, and four toilets. The new building will emphasise the importance of education to the community even more and provide an incentive for the children to continue, and complete their education. We further expect that continuation rates to upper secondary level will increase, hence there will be lower dropout rates. Simultaneously, we also build a second building with 4 fully furnished classrooms (separate proposal), bringing the total number of classrooms to 9 after completion of the project. Finally the school will also have 8 toilets.

Implementation

We will support Jom Jiang Lower Secondary School by providing five fully furnished classrooms, and four toilets to reduce overcrowding and improve the learning environment for students. Our approach is to involve the community into the project to encourage ownership and community development. The community will collect the money for carpentry for a good quality wood roof framework. For the actual construction work we will hire a professional contractor, who will not only be responsible for the labour but also for purchasing the required materials and its transportation to the site. He will be paid in instalments according to the progress of the construction work. 5% of the labour cost will be withheld for one year as a guarantee for the quality of the work. The government and the community will together be responsible for this school after the construction is completed. Construction takes place between December 2017 and May 2018. We consider this a low risk project.

Budget

1 USD = 33.10 THB

Item	THB	USD	In %
Construction Material	1,142,640	34,520	63
Interior & Furniture	167,500	5,060	9
Labour	237,463	7,174	13
Transportation	69,005	2,084	4
Monitoring & Implementation Cost	67,358	2,035	4
Administration Overhead Contribution	126,750	3,829	7
Total Budget	1,810,716	54,702	100



Meeting with the community members and the school committee

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