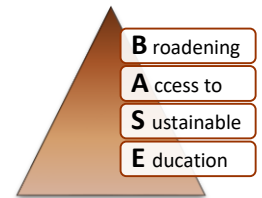




# Par Moon Primary School – School Building Construction



## Facts

Name	Par Moon
Type of facility	School building
No. of students	51 (32 boys and 19 girls)
No. of teachers	4 women
No. of buildings	1 school building and 1 teachers' room
No. of classrooms	3 fully furnished classrooms (195 m <sup>2</sup> )
Budget	<b>USD 31,144</b>
Construction period	July - January 2020
Project manager	Mr. That Lwin Oo
Location	Par Moon Village Hsi Hseng Township Southern Shan State

## Description

Par Moon Primary School is located in Par Moon Village, Hsi Hseng Township, Southern Shan State, Myanmar. Shan State is largely rural, with only three cities of significant size: Lashio, Kengtung, and the capital Taunggyi. Par Moon village is located about 65 km south of Taunggyi. The village was founded some 100 years ago and presently has a population of approx. 500 residents. They mostly rely on subsistence farming and fishing for their livelihood. Par Moon Primary School has 1 wooden school building with a total of 3 classrooms, divided with makeshift walls. The wooden school building built by the community in 1987 is fast deteriorating. It is made out of wooden slat walls, substandard timber frames, and a zinc roof; sitting on wooden stilts bolted on concrete piers. During the hot season, the interior become unbearably hot and when it rains hard, the rainwater gush through the gaps between slats and holes in the roof, causing intense foundational and structural damage. The dilapidated building is on the verge of collapse and posing a very serious risk to the lives of teachers and students. Currently, the school serves 51 students (32 boys and 19 girls), ranging from 5-10 years old and employs 4 female teachers. To address this pressing situation, we will support Par Moon Primary School with the construction of 1 new concrete school building (to replace the run-down structure), with 3 fully furnished classrooms along with a teachers' room. The new school building will emphasize the importance of education to Par Moon village and other surrounding communities and provide an incentive for the students to continue and complete primary school level education. After implementation, the school will have a capacity of up to 120 students. This will cater to the expected growing student number in the coming academic years.

## Map



## Photos



The wooden school building has been derelict for many years already and is in dire need of replacement. It might collapse anytime soon.



The wooden stilts bolted on concrete piers are severely damaged and on verge of collapsing.

## Implementation

Par Moon Primary School is a government registered school. The government will support the teachers' training and salaries, provide the curriculum and materials for teaching and learning. Our approach is to always involve the community into the project to encourage ownership and community development. For this project the villagers have agreed to contribute by transporting construction materials to the site, backfilling the building foundation, and manual labour. For the actual construction, we will collaborate with a local contractor to coordinate all phases of construction and to purchase standard construction materials locally, as well as to arrange for the required furniture. Our local team based in Myanmar will manage all payment transfers; oversee the construction in general; as well as to follow-up on the construction progress on a regular basis to ensure our high quality standards are being met. The community will be responsible for the school after construction is completed. The school location is accessible by car during the dry season from November to February and only by boat the rest of the year. The construction is due to start in July 2019 and expected to be completed in January 2020. Par Moon village is a government-declared safe zone and remains a safe place for foreigners to visit. We consider this a low risk project.

## Budget

Item	MMK	FX USD/MMK 1,530	
		USD	In %
Construction Materials	26,470,000	17,301	55
Interior Equipment & Furniture	4,130,000	2,699	9
Labour Costs	9,500,000	6,209	20
Transportation Costs	2,000,000	1,307	4
Monitoring & Implementation Costs	2,215,789	1,448	5
Administration Overhead Contribution	3,335,597	2,180	7
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>47,651,386</b>	<b>31,144</b>	<b>100</b>



The wooden slat walls and roof trusses are severely damaged by the rain water.



Students attending class in one of the classrooms divided by makeshift walls.