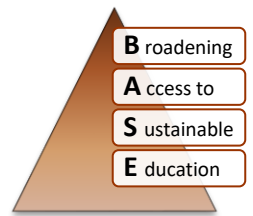




Nikum Primary School Building



Facts

Name	Nikum Primary School
Type of facility	School Building
Number of students	996 (522 boys, 474 girls)
Number of teachers	22 (10 male, 12 female)
Facilities to be built by us	1 new building with 5 fully furnished classrooms and 4 toilets
Size of building	360m ²
Budget	USD 61,280
Construction period	March 2020 – August 2020
Project manager	Mr. Sinoeuy My
Location	Nikum Village, Thma Koul District, Battambang Province, Cambodia

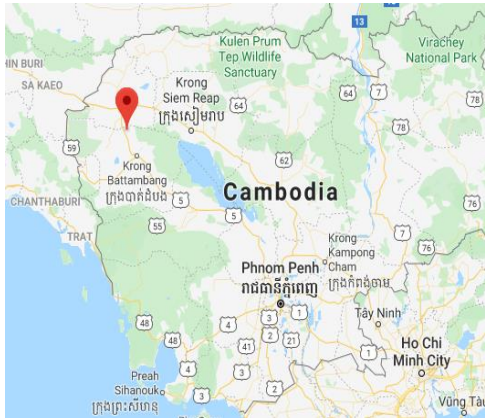
Description

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. The Nikum Primary School is located in the Nikum Village, Thma Koul District, Battambang Province, Cambodia. The village was established in 1945 and the vast majority of the population is dependent on subsistence agriculture. The village is home to around 3,405 people and is home to 587 households. It consists mostly of ethnic Khmer with an even gender distribution. The school consists of 3 buildings and has 996 students (522 boys and 474 girls, aged 6 - 12). It also has 22 teachers (10 males and 12 females). The Nikum Primary School currently has 3 concrete buildings, with a total of 14 classrooms. Two of the concrete buildings are still in good condition and can last for many more years. The other building (with 4 classrooms) which was built in the late 1980s is fast deteriorating. The reinforcement bars are heavily corroded, exposed and rusted. The concrete walls are severely cracked. The wooden roof shingles are also decaying and the students get wet during the rainy season, creating an uncondusive and dangerous atmosphere for teaching and learning. The concrete structure is dilapidated and beyond repair and in dire need of replacement. The school therefore lacks a safe and comfortable infrastructure to focus on learning. Therefore, a new and standardised school building with five classrooms is urgently needed to provide a more motivating environment for the students to reach their full potential. Four new toilets will also be built to improve hygiene standards. This is a pressing issue since the old building might collapse anytime soon.

Implementation

Nikum Primary School is a government registered school. The government will support the teachers' training and salaries and provide the curriculum and materials for teaching and learning. Our approach is to always involve the community in the project to encourage ownership and community development. For this project the villagers have agreed to contribute by backfilling the foundation, building fences around the school to keep farm animals from destroying the school property and organizing the school opening ceremony. For the actual construction, we will collaborate with a local contractor to coordinate all phases of construction and to purchase all standard materials locally. Payments will be made in instalments, according to the progress of the construction with 5% of the total cost held back for six months, as a guarantee for the quality of the work. Once the project is completed, the community will be responsible for the maintenance of the school. This is a low risk project given that Child's Dream has had a project based here previously and the school is easily accessible all year round. The construction is scheduled to begin in March 2020 and it is targeted to be completed by August 2020.

Map



Photos



A view of the current school building

Budget

Item	USD	In %
Construction Materials	38,587	63
Interior Equipment & Furniture	2,963	5
Labour Costs	12,941	21
Transportation	789	1
Implementation & Monitoring Cost	1,710	3
Administration Overhead	4,290	7
Total Budget	61,280	100



The rundown classrooms do not incentivize students to participate wholeheartedly in their education



The school building has various cracks in the walls and might collapse anytime



Another classroom in the dilapidated and unsafe building