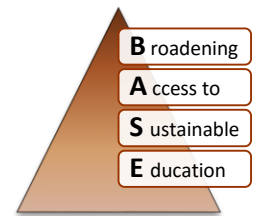




Nong Hai Khok Primary School



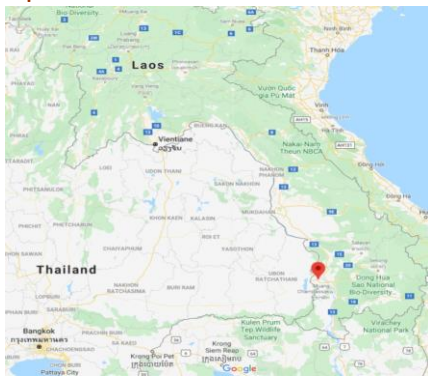
Facts

Name	Nong Hai Khok Primary School
Type of facility	School Building
Number of students	271 (134 boys, 137 girls)
Number of teachers	11 (1 male, 10 female)
Number of classrooms to be built by us	1 new building with 6 fully furnished rooms and 4 toilets
Size of building	336 m ²
Budget	USD 52,363
Construction period	July 2020 – January 2021
Project manager	Mr. Chirasak Phetchompoo (Gee)
Location	Nong Hai Khok Village Phon Thong District Champasak Province South Laos

Description

Nong Hai Khok Primary School is located in Nong Hai Khok Village, Phon Thong District, Champasak Province, South of Laos. Nong Hai Khok Village has a population of 2,561 residents in 554 households. The vast majority of the population is dependent on farming, construction, and plantation work for their livelihoods. The village has mobile phone coverage, water, electricity, and local access to health care. Established in 1954, the school is comprised of four buildings, two of which are in extremely poor condition and present safety issues for the students and teachers. The other two buildings are still in usable condition, but are smaller, and one of them is used as a nursery. Currently, the school serves 271 students (134 boys and 137 girls), and employs 11 teachers. Almost all of the students come from Nong Hai Khok Village. To address this pressing situation, we have decided to support Nong Hai Khok Primary School with the construction of one concrete school building with six fully furnished rooms and four toilets, to replace the two unsafe buildings, which might collapse anytime soon. The new school building will provide a clean and safe learning environment. The improved facilities will emphasize the importance of education to Nong Hai Khok Village and surrounding communities and provide an incentive for the students to continue and complete their primary level education. In addition, we will also build four additional toilets to help improve the sanitation standards at the school and prevent hygiene-related illnesses.

Map



Implementation

Nong Hai Khok Primary School is a government registered school, and the teachers' salaries and training are supported and managed by the government. Our approach is to always involve the community in the project to encourage ownership and community development. For this project, the community has agreed to contribute by providing soil, gravel and sand for the foundation and construction, and water and electricity during the construction. A local contractor will be hired to manage the labour and transportation of materials, oversee the construction, and procure the desks and other furniture items. Payments will be made in instalments according to the progress of the construction with 5% of the total labour cost held back for 12 months, as a guarantee for the quality of the work. The school management and the community have agreed to maintain and manage the facility after its completion. The road conditions during the rainy season are good, so we don't foresee any major delays and consider this a low-risk project. The construction is scheduled to begin in July 2020 and is expected to be completed by January 2021. The school can easily be reached from Paske International airport in less than one hour.

Photos



One of the two unsafe school buildings

Budget

FX: USD 1 = LAK 8,984

Item	LAK	USD	In %
Construction Materials	209,826,492	23,356	44
Interior Equipment & Furniture	97,109,496	10,809	21
Labour Costs	113,064,012	12,585	24
Implementation & Monitoring Cost	17,500,000	1,948	4
Administration Overhead	32,930,108	3,665	7
Total Budget	470,430,108	52,363	100



Many of the classrooms have large cracks in the walls and ceilings



The deteriorating floor in one of the buildings to be replaced



The integrity of the buildings presents severe safety risks to the students and teachers