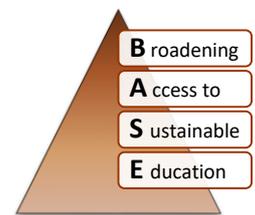




# Samdach Primary School Building



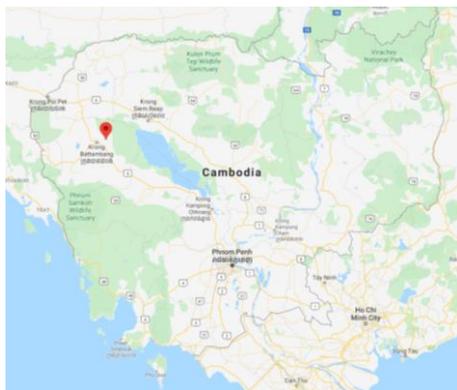
## Facts

Name	Samdach Primary School
Type of facility	School Building
Number of students	865 (386 girls and 479 boys)
Number of teachers	19 (13 female and 6 male)
Number of classrooms to be built by us	One school building with six fully-furnished classrooms and five toilets
Size of buildings	432 m <sup>2</sup>
Total budget	<b>USD 72,281</b>
Construction period	Sept 2020 - March 2021
Project manager	Mr. Sinoeuy My
Location	Samdach Village Ta Pon Commune Sangkae 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. Samdach Primary School is located in Samdach Village, Ta Pon Commune, Sangkae District, Battambang Province, Cambodia. The commune was established before the Khmer Rouge (no one knows exactly when it was founded), and is today a mid-size community with a population of 3,112 residents and is home to 819 households. The majority of the residents are dependent on commercial fishing and seasonal farming for their livelihoods. Established in 1981, the primary school currently consist of four school buildings built in 1997 (half-concrete-half-wooden), 2003 (concrete), 2017 (concrete), 2018 (temporary) respectively. The two concrete buildings build by another organisation are still in robust condition and the temporary one built by the community is still usable. On the other hand, the half-concrete-half-wooden building built by another organisation is in a state of great despair. The vertical wooden posts and roof trusses are infested with termites and on the verge of collapsing. The concrete part of the building had crumbled and cracked. The building is in decrepit stage, beyond repair and in dire need of replacement. Currently, the school serves 865 (386 girls and 479 boys), ranging from 6-12 years old and employs 19 teachers (13 females and 6 males). The students clearly lack a safe and suitable environment to focus on their learning. Construction of the new school building with six classrooms will provide over 200 students with the opportunity to continue their studies in a clean, motivating, and most importantly a safe learning environment to reach their full potential. In addition, we will also build five new toilets to help improve the sanitation standards at the school and prevent hygiene-related illnesses.

## Map



## Implementation

Samdach Primary School is a government registered school. The teachers' salaries and training will be 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 villagers have agreed to contribute by demolishing the old building and clearing the construction site, filling the foundation, and organising the school opening ceremony. The school staff and the community will be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the new school building. We will select a trusted local contractor to coordinate all phases of construction and to purchase materials locally. The foreman will be in charge of selecting the construction team and will be responsible for labour costs and the procurement of the construction materials. The contractor will be paid in four instalments based on the construction progress, with 5% of the total cost held back for six months as a guarantee for the quality of the work. We consider this a low risk project, as the school site can be accessed easily in any season. Construction is scheduled to commence in September 2020 and is targeted to be completed by March 2021.

## Photos



The existing building has been derelict for many years already and is on the verge of collapse. It requires immediate replacement

## Construction Budget

Item	USD	In %
Construction Materials	46,154	64
Interior Equipment & Furniture	3,389	5
Labour Cost	14,682	20
Transportation Cost	979	1
Implementation & Monitoring Cost	2,017	3
Administration Overhead	5,060	7
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>72,281</b>	<b>100</b>



View of the interior of the decrepit building



Cracked foundation and termite infested wood of existing school building



Some of the columns had crumbled into pieces