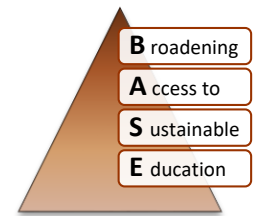




O Koki Primary School

– School Building



Facts

Name	O Koki Primary School
Type of facility	School Building
Number of students	347 (188 boys, 159 girls)
Number of teachers	16 (1 male, 15 females)
Facilities to be built by us	1 new building with 4 fully-furnished classrooms
Size of building	288 m ²
Budget	USD 45,350
Construction period	October 2022 – April 2023
Project manager	Mr. Sinoeuy My
Location	O Koki Kandal Village, Lom Tong Commune, Anlong Veng District, Oddar Meanchey Province, Cambodia

Description

Despite its growing tourism sector, Cambodia remains 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 impede the country's growth. O Koki Primary School is located in O Koki Kandal Village in the Oddar Meanchey Province of north-western Cambodia. The village population is currently 1,226 containing 261 households. Most families and individuals rely on subsistence rice farming and plantation work for their livelihoods with many travelling to other provinces seeking additional work to support their families. There is water, electricity and mobile phone coverage but the village lacks a local health centre. Established in 2007 by the local community, O Koki Primary School currently serves 347 students (188 boys and 159 girls) aged six to twelve years old and employs 16 teachers (1 male, 15 women). The school grounds contain two school buildings with a total of eight classrooms. One of the buildings built in 2011 with five classrooms was designed and constructed well and evaluated as in reasonably good, safe condition. The second building built in 2007, however, has deteriorated beyond repair and is a very unsafe environment for both the students and teachers. The wood is rotten and termite infested, severely affecting the structural integrity of the building. In addition, the gaps in the walls allow dust and rain inside the classrooms creating a very unsuitable environment for the children. The dirt floors become a muddy mess as well, adding to the intolerable learning conditions. The school is also experiencing exponential growth, year-over-year in student population creating an even greater need for additional classrooms. The students and teachers are clearly in need of a new school building to support and encourage their development. Therefore, a new school building with four fully-furnished classrooms is urgently needed.

Map



Implementation

O Koki 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, community members have agreed to contribute by filling the foundation, removing the old building, and organising 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 and school management will be responsible for the maintenance of the school. We consider this a low risk project. Construction is scheduled to begin in October 2022 and is targeted to be completed by April 2023.

Photos



The dilapidated school building will be removed

Budget

Item	USD	In %
Construction Materials	30,684	68
Interior Equipment and Furniture	585	1
Labour Costs	9,148	20
Transportation	915	2
Implementation and Monitoring Cost	843	2
Administration Overhead	3,175	7
Total Budget	45,350	100



Students are engaged and will thrive in a new, safe and motivating learning environment



Old, rotten wood with clear signs of deterioration



Dark classrooms with gaps in the wall boards