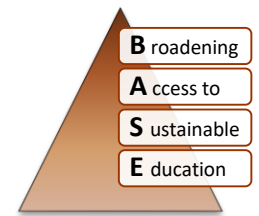




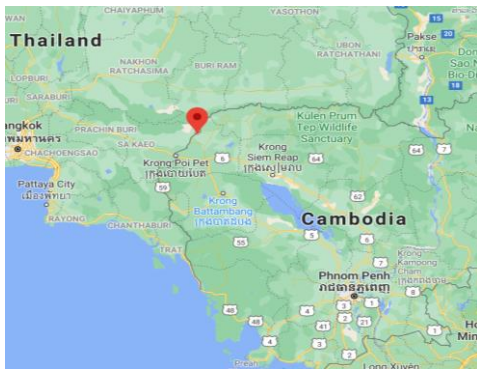
# Banteay Meanrith Primary School



## Facts

Name	Banteay Meanrith Primary School
Type of facility	School Building
Number of students	1007 (451 boys, 556 girls)
Number of teachers	27 (11 male, 16 female)
Facilities to be built by us	1 new building with 5 fully furnished classrooms and 8 toilets
Size of building	360 m <sup>2</sup>
Budget	<b>USD 57,099</b>
Construction period	March 2021 – September 2021
Project manager	Mr. Sinoeuy My
Location	Banteay Meanrith Village, Kouk Romeat Commune, Thmor Pouk District, Banteay Meanchey Province, Cambodia

## Map



## Photos



The old and dilapidated cement building is in dire need of replacement



The building is structurally unsafe, with cracked walls and pillars

## 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. Banteay Meanrith Primary School is located in Banteay Meanrith Village, Kouk Romeat Commune, Thmor Pouk District, Banteay Meanchey Province, Cambodia. The village was established in 1990 and is located only 100 metres from the Thailand – Cambodia border. The vast majority of the population is dependent on plantation work (planting Cassava) and subsistence farming for their livelihoods, and many cross into Thailand to work during the day. The village is home to 1,891 families and has a population of 7,633 people (3,239 females and 4,394 males). The village has mobile phone coverage, water, electricity and local access to health care. Banteay Meanrith Primary School currently consists of three buildings (one built by us in 2018) and has 1,007 students (451 boys and 556 girls) and 27 teachers (11 males and 16 females). The students come from only one village and typically live within 2 km of the school. Of the three current buildings, two are made of cement, in good condition, and able to last for years to come. The third building, however, is old and in a state of great decline. Built in 1996, the concrete building has severely cracked walls, floors and pillars, and the wooden windows frames are rotten. Due to the growing number of students, the school has been forced to use the building even though it poses a great safety risk to the students and teachers alike. Therefore, a new and standardised school building with five furnished classrooms is urgently needed to replace the deteriorating building and to provide a safe and clean environment for the students to learn. The school is also greatly in need of additional toilets, so eight toilets will be built as well to improve hygiene standards.

## Implementation

Banteay Meanrith 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, destroying and removing the old school, 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 considered a low risk project since we have worked with this community in the past. The construction is scheduled to begin in March 2021 and is expected to be completed by September 2021.

## Budget

Item	USD	In %
Construction Materials	40,514	71
Interior Equipment and Furniture	720	1
Labour Costs	9,005	16
Transportation	1,801	3
Implementation and Monitoring Cost	1,062	2
Administration Overhead	3,997	7
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>57,099</b>	<b>100</b>



The classrooms, with cracked and rotten walls and floors, are quickly deteriorating and pose a serious safety threat



The wood on the building is rotten and falling apart