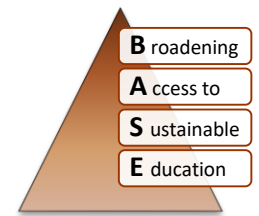




Thlok Secondary School

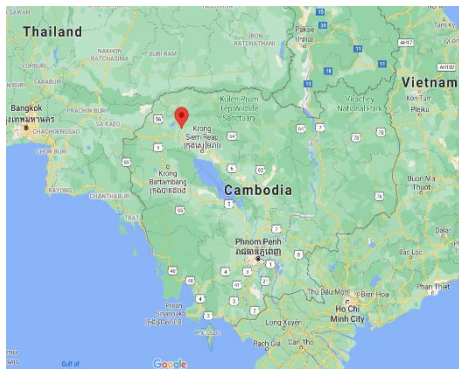
– School Building



Facts

Name	Thlok Secondary School
Type of facility	School Building
Number of students	304 (132 boys, 172 girls)
Number of teachers	9 (5 males, 4 females)
Facilities to be built by us	1 new building with 4 fully-furnished classrooms and 4 toilets
Size of building	288 m ²
Budget	USD 53,763
Construction period	July 2021 – January 2022
Project manager	Mr. Se Jane Sik
Location	Smach Village, Tram Sasar Commune, Srey Snam District, Siem Reap Province, Cambodia

Map



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. Thlok Secondary School is located in Smach Village, Tram Sasar Commune, Srey Snam District, Siem Reap Province, Cambodia. The village has a population of 2,129 people from 595 households, most of whom rely on subsistence farming for their livelihoods. Thlok Secondary School currently has one concrete building with six classrooms. While the building is in good condition, it is not big enough to comfortably fit the increasing student population. The school currently has 304 students (132 boys and 172 girls) aged 12 to 15, and employs 9 teachers (5 males and 4 females). The school typically enrolls students who come from four local primary schools in the area; thus, the student population is expected to continue increasing for years to come. To address this matter, we have decided to support Smach Village with the construction of one new concrete building with four fully-furnished classrooms to offer the students a learning environment that is spacious, comfortable, and motivating. The construction of the new building will encourage students to attend and complete secondary school, and will emphasise the importance of education to the entire community. The project also includes the construction of four additional toilets, which will improve the sanitation standards of the school and prevent hygiene-related illnesses.

Implementation

Thlok Secondary 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 land for the foundation, erecting a fence around the school, 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. The school is easily accessible during all seasons. Construction is scheduled to begin in July 2021 and is targeted to be completed by January 2022.

Photos



Thlok Secondary School already has one building, which is in good condition

Budget

Item	USD	In %
Construction Materials	33,418	62
Interior Equipment and Furniture	2,943	6
Labour Costs	11,850	22
Transportation	789	1
Implementation and Monitoring Cost	1,000	2
Administration Overhead	3,763	7
Total Budget	53,763	100



The increasing student population means there is urgent need for more classrooms



The students enrolled at Thlok come from four local, surrounding primary schools



Child's Dream staff meet with the school management to assess the vacant space for the new building