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### JAPAN SUPPORTS ADOLESCENTS' EMPOWERMENT IN KOH KONG PROVINCE

Under the framework of *Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO's Projects*, the Government of Japan will provide US\$290,396 to CARE International Japan. The Grant Contract was signed today by H.E. Mr. SHINOHARA Katsuhiko, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and by Ms. ODACHI Motoko, Program Coordinator, CARE International Japan, to carry out the following project:

The Project for Empowering Adolescents in Koh Kong Province in the Kingdom of Cambodia (Phase II), (US\$290,396)

The Project is to provide technical vocational training and business establishment for adolescents who dropped out of school and live in poverty. It is targeted at the adolescents in Mondul Seima and Botom Sakor districts, Koh Kong Province with little assistance from NGOs. As much as 260 adolescents will get the benefit from the project and are expected to take part in decision making process of their villages. This is the phase II project followed by the phase I, implemented from December 2007 to December 2008.

The Japanese Government's *Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO's Projects* started in Cambodia in 2002 to support activities by Japanese's NGOs to help Cambodia's reconstruction and development efforts at the grassroots level. Since 2002, the Government of Japan has provided over US\$9.9 million for 47 projects by the Japanese NGOs, mainly in the field of primary education, health, and explosive ordnance disposal. CARE International Japan is the second recipient of this grant scheme in Japanese fiscal year 2009 (April 2009-March 2010).

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