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JAPAN PROVIDES US\$163,218 TO TWO JAPANESE NGO PROJECTS

Under the framework of *the Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO Projects*, the Government of Japan provides a total of US\$163,218 to two Japanese NGO Projects. The Grant Contracts were signed today between H.E. Mr. KUROKI Masafumi, Ambassador of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and the representatives of the recipient organizations, which would carry out the following projects:

1. The Project for Improving Maternal and Child Health Services in Kampong Thom Province (US\$75,817)

Recipient: PH-Japan Foundation

With the grant, PH-Japan Foundation will provide training for midwives of 4 health centers and health volunteers in Baray and Santuk district in Kampong Thom province. Moreover, facility of health centers will be provided such as solar panel dynamo and medical equipments in 4 health centers and a Post Natal Care/Delivery Room will be built in Chhuk Khsach Health Center. At the end of the project, approximately 46,000 people are expected to receive improved Maternal and Child Health (MCH) services and to enhance their knowledge of MCH.

2. The Project for Supporting People with Intellectual Disabilities by Community Approach (Phase II) (US\$87,401)

Recipient: Japan League on Developmental Disabilities (JLDD)

JLDD has dedicated itself to capacity improvement of the people with intellectual disabilities in provinces of Kampong Chhnang, Kampong Speu, Prey Veng and Pursat. This project provides opportunities to participate in community activities, trainings and workshops, especially for Kampong Chhnang and Kampong Speu provinces. With this project, as well as the people with intellectual disabilities, their families and approximately 19,000 people are expected to make their community for disabled persons live friendly together. This is the phase II project followed by the phase I, implemented from October 2007 to October 2008 with the Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO Projects.

The Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO Projects started in Cambodia in 2002 to support activities by Japanese NGOs to help Cambodia's reconstruction and development efforts at the grassroots level. Since 2002, the Government of Japan has provided over US\$10 millions for 49 projects by the Japanese NGOs, mainly in the fields of primary education, health, and explosive ordnance disposal throughout the country. Japan continues to be the top donor to Cambodia.

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