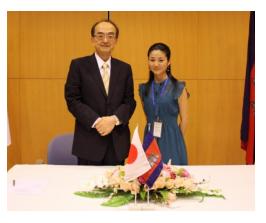
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JAPAN PROVIDES US\$125,858 FOR COMMUNITY BASED HEALTH CARE FOR MOTHERS AND CHILDREN

Under the framework of *the Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO Projects*, the Government of Japan provides a total of US\$ 125,858 to People's HOPE Japan for the Project of Community Based Health Care for Mothers and Children in Kampong Thom Province (Phase III). The Grant Contract was signed today between H.E. Mr. KUMAMARU Yuji, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the Kingdom of



Cambodia, and Ms. HAYASHI Asako, Country Director of People's HOPE Japan, at the Embassy of Japan.



In Phase III, based on the activities of Phase I & II conducted in the target areas in Baray-Santuk Operational Health District, Kampong Thom Province, PHJ will provide further trainings for community health volunteers who will promote Maternal and Child Health (MCH) care to villagers, conduct cleaning campaigns through constructing toilets in local households, and support for better communication between community

health volunteers and health center staff. At the completion of the Phase III projects, approximately 47,000 people in the target areas are expected to practice enduring MCH care and to promote the awareness of sanitation fostered through this project by themselves.

The Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO's 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\$17.9 millions for 71 projects by the Japanese NGOs, mainly in the fields of primary education, health, and mine actions. The project by PHJ is the first one funded by this grant scheme in Japanese fiscal year 2013 (April 2013 - March 2014).



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