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JAPAN PROVIDES US\$509,723 FOR CAPACITY BUILDING ON EXPLOSIVE REMNANTS WAR FOR CMAC



Under the framework of *the Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO's Projects*, the Government of Japan provides US\$509,723 to Japan Mine Action Service (JMAS). The Grant Contract was signed today at the Embassy of Japan between H.E. Mr. KUMAMARU Yuji, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and Ms. FUCHIKAMI Hiromi, Resident

Representative of JMAS to implement “The Project for Capacity Building on Explosive Remnants of War for CMAC”.

This project is to improve education capacity of Professors, outdoor management capacity of leaders and safety technology for team members of CMAC by the technical support of JMAS advisors at CMAC Training Center in Kampong Chhnang Province. In addition, as part of technical transfer, underground ERW exploration skill will be instructed since more ERW accidents by tractor have been happening in late years as National land development is being progressed in Cambodia. The project is estimated to benefit about 1,745,000 people by alleviating the threat of ERWs and leading to community development in the areas once ERWs are cleared.



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\$22.2million for 81 projects, mainly in the field of primary education, health, agriculture and mine clearance. The project is the first one funded by this grant scheme in Japanese fiscal year 2014 (April 2014 - March 2015).



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