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## JAPAN PROVIDES US\$144,750 FOR PROMOTING PRIMARY AND LOWER SECONDARY EDUCATION IN RURAL CAMBODIA

Under the framework of *the Grant* Assistance for Japanese NGO Projects, the Government of Japan provides a total of US\$144,750 to the Association of School Aid in Cambodia (ASAC) for the Project for Construction and repairing Project for Junior High School and Primary school in Kampot Province. 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. URATA Fukimi, Project Coordinator of ASAC, at the Embassy of Japan.



In this project, ASAC will construct two school buildings equipped with sanitation facilities, a community library and school furniture at Tuol Phchoek Lower Secondary School and repair a school building at Ampor Vanyothearam primary school in Chum Kiry district, Kampot Province. This project is expected to provide safe and comfortable educational

environment for over 260 students and 380 pupils who are currently studying at dilapidated school buildings. In addition, ASAC is planning to provide a capacity-building program to the school management committee and community people for effective support.

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\$20.6 million for 78 projects, mainly in the field of primary education, health and mine clearance. The project is the eighth one funded by this grant scheme in Japanese fiscal year 2013 (April 2013 - March 2014).



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