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JAPAN PROVIDES US\$192,746 FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TWO HEALTH PROJECTS

Under Japan's economic cooperation framework, *the Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects* ("KUSANONE" Grant), the Government of Japan provides US\$192,746 to Takeo Provincial Department of Health and Kratie Provincial Department of Health. The Grant Contracts were signed today between H.E. Mr. KUMAMARU Yuji, Ambassador of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and representatives of the recipient organizations, which would carry out the following projects:

- 1- The Project for Constructing an Internal Medicine Ward at Rominh Hospital Annex of Kirivong Referral Hospital in Takeo Province (US\$103,082)

Recipient: Takeo Provincial Department of Health

With the purpose of assuring a place to stay for patients of internal medicine, Takeo Provincial Department of Health will construct an internal medicine ward and install 21 medical beds at Rominh hospital annex of Kirivong referral hospital. It is expected to prevent patients from taking hospital acquired infection and provide better medical service to around 18,700 peoples in the region.

- 2- The Project for Constructing Kampong Cham Health Center in Sambo District, Kratie Province (US\$ 89,664)

Recipient: Kratie Provincial Department of Health

In order to provide local residents in Sambo district with a better access to medical care, Kratie Provincial Department of Health will construct a health center within the commune. It is estimated that this project enables approximately 10,000 people in the region to access medical care.

Japan's "KUSANONE" Projects started in Cambodia in 1991 in order to support Cambodia's reconstruction and development efforts at the grassroots level. The assistance is aimed at protecting vulnerable individuals from such factors as poverty and misfortunes that directly threaten their lives, livelihood, and dignity, as well as at promoting self-reliance of local communities. Since 1991, the Government of Japan has provided over US\$ 53 million for local authorities and non-governmental organizations to implement 530 KUSANONE projects in Cambodia.



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