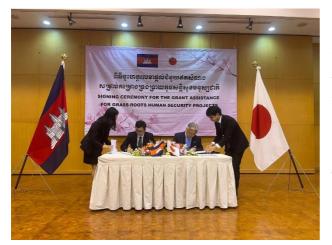
### 令和5年度草の根・人間の安全保障無償資金協力 署名式典

令和6年2月8日(木)、令和5年度草の根・人間の安全保障無償資金協力に係る署名 式典を当館多目的ホールにて開催しました。同署名式では、植野篤志大使が、シェムリア ップ州リハビリテーションセンターのセン・ナ・マネージャーとの間で「シェムリアップ 州リハビリテーションセンター補装具製造機材及びリハビリ機器整備計画」(供与限度額 71,137米ドル)について、また、プレアビヒア州保健局のコン・ロー局長との間で「プレ アビヒア州ロビエン保健センター新病棟建設計画」(供与限度額126,648米ドル)につい て贈与契約書に署名しました。

「シェムリアップ州リハビリテーションセン ター補装具製造機材及びリハビリ機器整備計 画」では、補装具の製作に欠かせない製造用機 材及びリハビリ機器を整備します。本事業の実 施により、同センターを訪れる身体障がい者 は、より短期間で自分の身体に合った補装具の 提供を受けられるようになり、より充実したリ ハビリ治療を受けられるようになります。本案 件は、年間約950人に裨益することが期待され ます。





プレアビヒア州保健局 コン・ロー局長との署名の様子

シェムリアップ州リハビリテーションセンター セン・ナ・マネージャーとの署名の様子

「プレアビヒア州ロビエン保健センター新病 棟建設計画」では、1960年代に建設され、老 朽化が著しい同保健センターの本棟に代わる 新たな病棟1棟(13室、トイレ4室)を建設 します。本事業の実施により、同センターを 訪れる患者の安全性が確保され、年間約 8,400名の患者が安心して医療サービスを受 けられるようになることが期待されます。 式典では、植野大使がスピーチを行い、今回 の支援が対象地域の住民に直接裨益し、カンボ ジアと日本の更なる友好促進につながることを 願うと述べました。続いて各団体の代表者がス ピーチを行い、日本国民及び政府への感謝の意 を表明するとともに、着実に事業を推進してい くことを約束しました。



植野篤志大使によるスピーチの様子

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#### Speech by H.E. Mr. UENO Atsushi, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia at the Grant Contract Signing Ceremony for Grassroots Human Security Projects, 8 February 2024

- Mr. SENG Nha, Center Manager, Physical Rehabilitation Center Siem Reap Province
- Dr. KOUNG Lo, Director, Preah Vihear Provincial Health Department
- Distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen,

Good morning. I am pleased to host this signing ceremony for grant contracts of KUSANONE projects, or the Grassroots Human Security Projects, today.

Since 1991, in addition to large scale loan and grant aid ODA projects, the Government of Japan has been implementing KUSANONE projects in Cambodia in order to directly support local authorities and NGOs to implement their projects. KUSANONE means literally "grassroots" in Japanese. In the last 30 plus years, the Embassy of Japan has contributed to 689 projects throughout Cambodia by this scheme. We are pleased that these projects have been directly contributing to improving the quality of life of Cambodian people at the grassroots level.

Today, I would like to introduce two projects signed as follows:

<u>For the first project for Physical Rehabilitation Center Siem Reap Province, the</u> Government of Japan provides US\$71,137 (seventy-one thousand, one hundred and thirty-seven US dollars) for installing 12 kinds of prosthesis manufacturing and rehabilitation equipment. Due to the old manufacturing machines and lack of rehabilitation equipment, the physical rehabilitation center required more time to produce prosthesis or orthotics and could only provide limited rehabilitation services. It is expected that the new equipment will contribute to improve the services provided at the rehabilitation center.

<u>For the second project</u> for Preah Vihear Provincial Department of Health, the Government of Japan provides US\$126,648 (one hundred and twenty-six thousand, six hundred and forty-eight US dollars) to construct a new hospital building with 13 rooms and 4 toilets at Rovieng Health Center. Due to the old building built in 1960's, the health center has been facing issues such as water leaks and serious cracks, which may affect the whole building. By the newly constructed building, it is expected to ensure safety of people who visit the center and would benefit around 8,400 people annually.

I am pleased to observe that Cambodia has been rapidly developing recently. However, I also recognize that there are still various challenges to be addressed to improve quality of life. Japan will continue to contribute to solving these challenges using various economic and development cooperation schemes including KUSANONE.

Thank you for attending this signing ceremony. I wish you all present here today good health and happiness and further development of the friendship between Japan and Cambodia.

Thank you very much for your attention.



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## <u>Japan Provides US\$197,785</u> <u>for Provision of Equipment for Physical Rehabilitation Center,</u> <u>and Construction of a New Building at a Health Center</u>

The Government of Japan will provide US\$197,785 in total for two recipients organizations under the framework, *the Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects ("KUSANONE")*. The Grant Contracts were signed today between H.E. Mr. UENO Atsushi, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and the representatives of two recipients respectively, to carry out the following project.

1. "The Project for the Provision of Machines to Produce Prosthesis and Physiotherapy Equipment at Physical Rehabilitation Center in Siem Reap Province" (US\$71,137)

Recipient: Physical Rehabilitation Center Siem Reap Province

This grant will be used to install 12 kinds of prosthesis manufacturing and rehabilitation equipment at the Physical Rehabilitation Center (PRC) in Siem Reap. The PRC has been facing challenges such as the deterioration of necessary equipment to produce prosthesis and orthotics, and lack of rehabilitation equipment. It led patients to wait longer, and to have limited physiotherapy service. Through this project, it is expected to benefit around 950 patients annually with the improved facility and services.

2. 'The Project for the Construction of a New Hospital Building at Rovieng Health Center in Preah Vihear Province' (US\$126,648)

Recipient: Preah Vihear Provincial Health Department

This grant will be used to construct a new hospital building with 13 rooms and 4 toilets at Rovieng Health Center in Preah Vihear Province. The main building of this health center was constructed in 1960's and has been facing issues such as water leaks, cracks, and holes, which may force patients and staffs to stay under unsafe condition. This project is expected to ensure safety of both visitors and staffs and benefit around 8,400 people who visit this health center annually.

Japan's *"KUSANONE" Projects* started in Cambodia in 1991 in order to support Cambodia's reconstruction and development at the grassroots level. The assistance aims to protect those who are vulnerable due to various factors such as poverty and/or misfortunes that directly threaten their lives, livelihood, and dignity, as well as to promote self-reliance of local communities. Since 1991, the

Government of Japan has provided over US\$69 million for mainly local authorities and nongovernmental organizations to implement 689 *KUSANONE* projects throughout Cambodia.

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