

令和 8 年度草の根無償資金協力 「クラチェ州カシューナッツ収穫後処理改善計画」署名式典

令和 8 年 10 月 2 日（金）、令和 8 年度草の根無償資金協力の署名式典を当館にて開催しました。同式典では、三角崇人臨時代理大使及びクラチェ州農林水産局のトゥリー・ソペア局長が、「クラチェ州カシューナッツ収穫後処理改善計画」（供与限度額 164,269 米ドル）の贈与契約書に署名しました。

本計画では、カシューナッツの乾燥場 3 か所、倉庫 3 棟及び水分計 3 台を 3 農協に整備します。これらの農協は、主要なカシューナッツ生産地域に位置していますが、収穫後の処理体制が十分に整備されていないため、カシューナッツを低価格で取引せざるを得ない状況にあります。また、品質や供給の安定を求める加工企業等との販売契約の締結も困難な状況にあり、農業従事者の所得向上が課題となっています。

本計画の実施により、対象となる 3 農協に所属する約 500 人の農業従事者が適切な収穫後処理を行うことが可能となり、カシューナッツの販売可能量及び取引価格の向上につながり、更には農家の所得向上及び生活の質の改善に寄与することが期待されます。



クラチェ州農林水産局
トゥリー・ソペア局長との署名後の様子



式典において、三角臨時代理大使は、今回の支援が対象地域の住民に直接裨益するとともに、日本とカンボジアの友好関係の更なる促進につながることを期待すると述べました。続いて、トゥリー・ソペア局長がスピーチを行い、日本国民及び日本政府への感謝の意を表明するとともに、本事業を着実に推進していくことを約束しました。

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**Speech by Mr. MISUMI Takahito,
Chargé d'affaires a.i. at the Embassy of Japan in Cambodia,
at the Grant Contract Signing Ceremony for Grassroots Projects
2 October 2026**

Good morning and welcome to the Embassy of Japan.

First of all, please allow me to recognize the presence of;

- Dr. Chay Chim, Director of the Department of Agro-Industry at the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries,
- Mr. Try Sopheak, Director of the Kratie Provincial Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries,
- Distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen,

It is my great pleasure to host this signing ceremony today for the grant contract that is being implemented through the KUSANONE Grant Assistance for Grassroots Projects scheme. I would like to express my gratitude to Dr. Chay Chim, and all of the other distinguished participants for their presence here today.

Since 1991, the Government of Japan has provided KUSANONE Grant Assistance to Cambodia in order to directly support local authorities and NGOs in the implementation of their projects. KUSANONE literally means “grassroots” in Japanese. Over the past 35 years, the Embassy of Japan has contributed to more than 700 projects across Cambodia through this scheme. I am pleased that these projects are directly contributing to an improvement in the quality of life of Cambodian people at the grassroots level.

Now, let me introduce the project that we have just signed for.

This project will be implemented by the Kratie Provincial Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, with the grant from the Government of Japan up to US\$164,269 (one hundred and sixty four thousand, two hundred and sixty nine US dollars). With this project, three warehouses and drying yards will be constructed and three moisture testers will be installed at three agricultural cooperatives in Kratie province. These facilities and equipment will enable about 500 cooperative members to improve the post-harvest processing of cashew nuts, thereby increasing the volume of cashew nuts available for sale while also contributing to the further development of the agricultural sector.

I have just recently arrived in Cambodia about a month ago, and am surprised by the momentum of Cambodia's rapid development. At the same time, I have also learned that there are still various challenges to be addressed in order to further improve the people's quality of life. Japan will continue to address these challenges through various ODA schemes, including this KUSANONE project.

Last, but not least, I wish everyone present here today good health and happiness, and I also wish for the further development of the friendship between Japan and Cambodia.

Thank you very much for your attention.



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Japan Provides US\$164,269
for Construction of Warehouses and Drying Yards,
and Installation of Moisture Testers
for Kratie Agricultural Cooperatives

The Government of Japan will provide a grant of US\$164,269 for Kratie Provincial Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries under the framework of *the Grant Assistance for Grassroots Projects (“KUSANONE”)*. The Grant Contract was signed today between Mr. MISUMI Takahito, Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Embassy of Japan in Cambodia, and the representative of the recipient, for implementation of the following project.

‘The Project for the Improvement of Post-Harvest Operation of Cashew Nut in Kratie Province’ (US\$164,269)

Recipient: Kratie Provincial Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

The grant will be utilized to fund the construction of three warehouses and drying yards, along with the installation of three moisture testers, at three agricultural cooperatives in Kratie province. These facilities and equipment will enable the cooperative members to improve the post-harvest processing of cashew nuts, thereby increasing the volume of cashew nuts available for sale, and contributing to further development of the agricultural sector.

Japan’s “KUSANONE” Projects commenced in Cambodia in 1991 to support Cambodia’s reconstruction and development at the grassroots level. The assistance aims to safeguard vulnerable individuals affected by factors such as poverty and/or misfortunes that directly threaten their lives, livelihood and dignity, while also fostering self-reliance within local communities. Since 1991, the Government of Japan has provided over US\$72 million for mainly local authorities and non-governmental organizations to implement over 700 KUSANONE projects across Cambodia.

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