

**EMBASSY OF JAPAN  
IN THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA**

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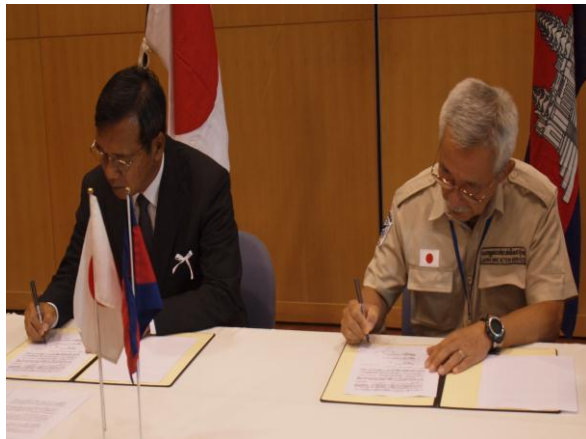
**JAPAN PROVIDES US\$740,597 FOR IMPROVING  
ERW (Explosive Remnants of War) CLEARANCE  
IN TAKEO PROVINCE (Phase II)**



Under the framework of *the Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO's Projects*, the Government of Japan provides ¥ 59,988,357 (approximately US\$740,597) to Japan Mine Action Service (JMAS). The Grant Contract was signed today at the Embassy of Japan between H.E. Mr. KUROKI Masafumi, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and Mr. TANIGAWA Yasuyuki, Resident Representative of JMAS to

implement the following project.

Through this project, JMAS will provide its technical assistance to Cambodian Mine Action Centre (CMAC) in order to promote disposal activities of ERWs (Explosive Remnants of Wars) in Cambodia. In addition, JMAS will deploy 5 EOD (Explosive Ordnance Disposal) teams in collaboration with CMAC in Takeo, Kampong Chhnang, Siem Reap, Kampong Thom and Pursat Provinces, where people are still suffering from the remaining ERWs. JMAS will also deploy Community-Based UXO Risk Reduction (CBURR) teams to collect ERWs information and to implement an awareness activity for local people in order to help them recognize the risk of ERW and avoid careless ERW accidents.



*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\$17 million for 67 projects by the Japanese NGOs, mainly in the field

of primary education, health, and explosive ordnance disposal. The project by JMAS is the third one funded by this grant scheme in Japanese fiscal year 2012 (April 2012 - March 2013).



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