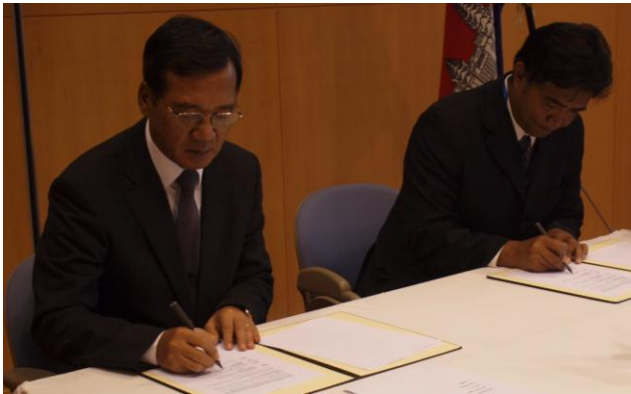


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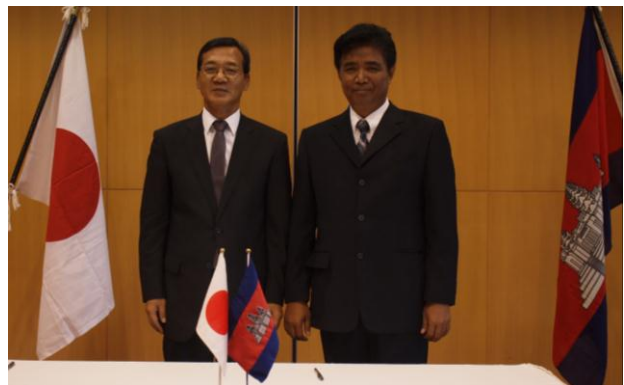
**JAPAN PROVIDES US\$92,550 FOR
REHABILITATING TABANG IRRIGATION SYSTEM
IN KAMPONG CHHNANG PROVINCE**



Under Japan's economic cooperation framework, *the Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects* (“ KUSANONE ” Grant), the Government of Japan provides a total of US\$ 92,550 to Kampong Chhnang Provincial Department of Water Resources and Meteorology (PDOWRAM) for the Project of

Rehabilitating Tabang Irrigation System in Kampong Chhnang Province. The Grant Contract was signed today between H.E. Mr. KUROKI Masafumi, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and Mr. DAUK Bunthou, Director of Kampong Chhnang PDOWRAM, at the Embassy of Japan.

With the grant, Tabang Irrigation System will be rehabilitated by Kampong Chhanag PDOWRAM. The project includes rehabilitation of 700m of reservoir embankment and 300m of secondary canal and construction of 2 outlet structures. Around 1,352 households in the region are expected to benefit from better access to the irrigation water. With the technical support from the Kampong Chhnang PDOWRAM, the community will maintain the irrigation system in a good condition.



Japan's “KUSANONE” Grant Assistance 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\$48 millions for local authorities and non-governmental organizations to implement 477 projects throughout the country.



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