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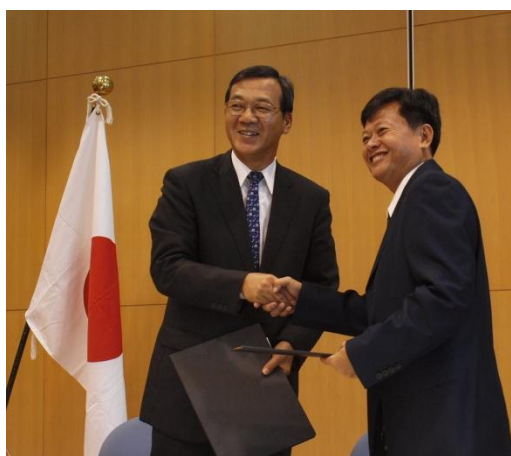
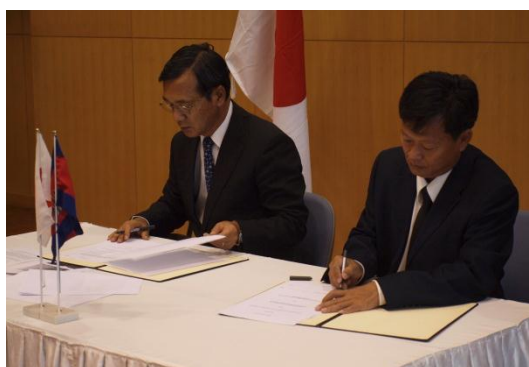
PRESS RELEASE

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**JAPAN PROVIDES US\$103,550 FOR
REHABILITATING CANAL No.38
IN TAKEO 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\$ 103,550 to Takeo Provincial Department of Water Resources and Meteorology (PDOWRAM) for the Project of Rehabilitating Canal No.38 Irrigation System in Takeo 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. BUN Huor, Director of Takeo PDOWRAM, at the Embassy of Japan.



With the grant, Canal No.38 will be rehabilitated by Takeo PDOWRAM. The project includes rehabilitation of 2,100m of the main canal, construction of 2 cross drainage structures and an outlet structure. Around 1,358 households in the region are expected to benefit from better access to the irrigation water. With the technical support from the Takeo PDOWRAM, the local community is expected to 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\$48.1 millions for local authorities and non-governmental organizations to implement 479 projects throughout the country.



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