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**JAPAN PROVIDES US\$ 424,246 FOR EXTENTION OF SURGICAL
WARD IN NATIONAL PEDIATRIC HOSPITAL**



Under the framework of *the Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO Projects*, the Government of Japan provides a total of US\$ 424,246 to the Foundation for International Development/Relief (FIDR) for the Project for Extension of Surgical Ward in National Pediatric Hospital.

The Grant Contract was signed today between H.E. Mr. KUROKI Masafumi, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and Ms. TAKAHASHI Akemi, Country Representative of FIDR, at the Embassy of Japan.

In order to improve the quality of pediatric surgical services and the level of medical training at National Pediatric Hospital (NPH), FIDR will expand the surgical ward at NPH by constructing a new operation room, training room, and recovery room for the critically ill, refurbishing the building, and revamping the water and gas system. FIDR will also install medical equipments and conduct trainings to the medical staff at NPH and those from other hospitals in nearby provinces. At the completion of this project, approximately 10,000 pediatric surgical patients at NPH as well as hospitals in nearby provinces are expected to receive better quality medical services, thanks to the trainings conducted, new facilities constructed, and medical equipments installed by FIDR.



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\$17.5 millions for 68 projects by the Japanese NGOs, mainly in the fields of primary education, health, and mine actions. The project by FIDR is the fourth one funded by this grant scheme in Japanese fiscal year 2012 (April 2012 - March 2013)



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