



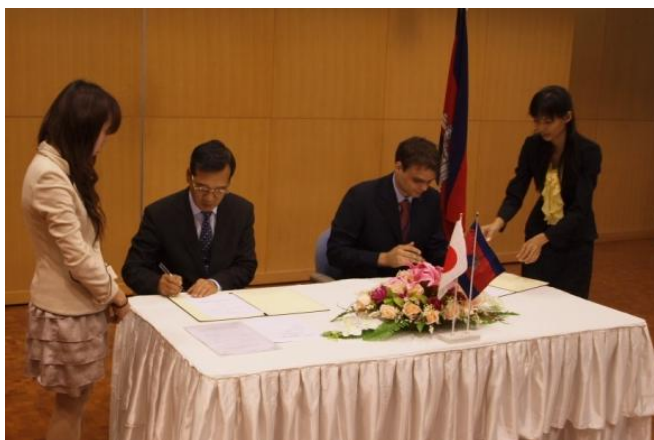
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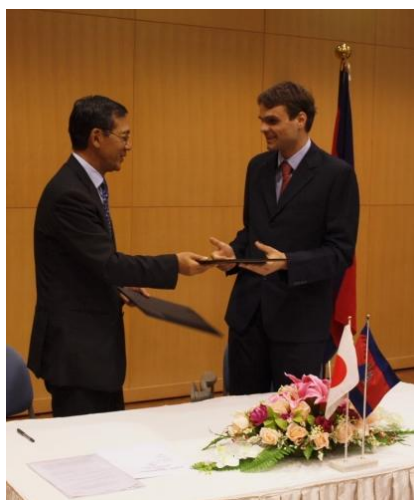
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**JAPAN PROVIDES US\$74,333 FOR EXTENSION
OF DELIVERY ROOMS OF HEALTH CENTERS**

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\$74,333 to People in Need for the Project for Extension of Delivery Rooms at Eight Health Centers 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. SCHMIED Petr, Head of Mission in the Kingdom of Cambodia of People in Need, at the Embassy of Japan.



In order to improve maternal and child health services, People in Need will construct pre/post delivery rooms at eight health centers in Takeo Province for extension of current delivery rooms. This project enables at least 1,800 mothers to receive proper medical care before and after delivery and is expected to contribute to the reduction of maternal and infant mortality rates in Cambodia.

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 US\$47 millions for local authorities and

non-governmental organizations to implement 461 projects throughout the country.



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