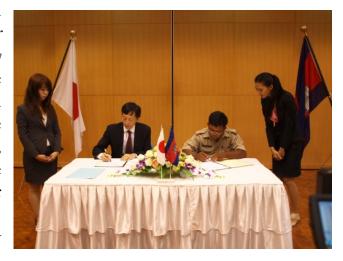
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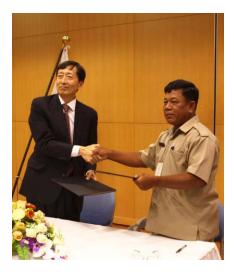
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JAPAN PROVIDES US\$102,805 FOR CONSTRUCTING TACHES RIVER WHARF IN KAMPONG CHHNANG PROVINCE

Under Japan's economic cooperation framework, the Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects ("KUSANENE" Grant), the Government of Japan provides a total of US\$ 102,805 to Taches Commune Council, Kampong Tralach District, Kampong Chhnang Province for the Project of Constructing Taches River Wharf in Kampong Chhnang Province. The Grant Contract was signed today between Mr. KAWAMURA Hiroshi,

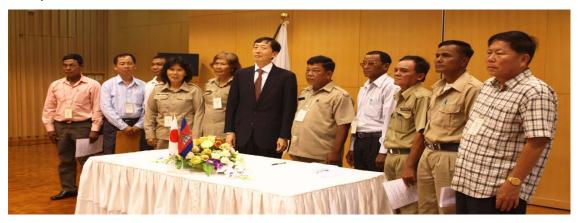


Deputy Chief of Mission/Minister, Embassy of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and Mr. SUOS Siphay, Chief of Taches Commune council, at the Embassy of Japan.



With a grant, a concrete river wharf and a pontoon will be constructed as a replacement of an old wooden facility by Taches Commune Council, Kampong Tralach District, Kampong Chhnang Province. The concrete river wharf will be 57m long and 3.6m wide and the pontoon will be 5m long and 6m wide. It is expected that the concrete river wharf enables about 28,720 people of 4 communes in the region to across Tonle Sap River safely. Accordingly, the new wharf will facilitate the access to schools for children and promote economic activities, revitalizing the area around the facility.

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\$47 million for local authorities and non-governmental organizations to implement 465projects throughout the country.



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