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## JAPAN PROVIDES US\$39,500 FOR RENOVATION OF PHYSICAL REHABILITATION CENTER

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\$39,500 to Handicap International Federation for the Project for Renovation of Cham Kampong Physical Rehabilitation Center. The Grant Contract was signed today



between Mr. MACHIDA Tatsuya, Counsellor, Embassy of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and Mr. Benjamin Nguyen, Regional Program Director of Handicap International Federation, at the Embassy of Japan.

In order to make barrier-free facilities and provide proper rehabilitation services for disabled persons, Handicap International Federation (HIF) will renovate the facilities of Kampong Cham Physical Rehabilitation Center in Kampong Cham Province. This project will enable approximately 3,000 disabled persons to receive proper rehabilitation services. It will contribute to the improvement of living situation and social independence of disabled persons 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 466 projects throughout the country.



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