

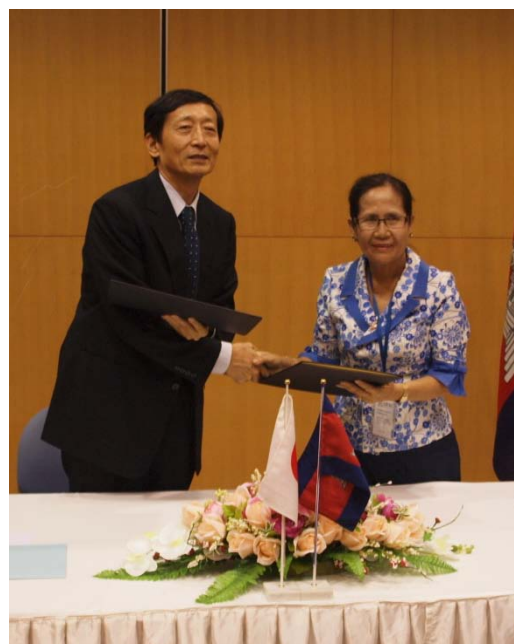
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**JAPAN PROVIDES US\$57,494 FOR CONSTRUCTION
OF SCIENCE LABORATORY**

Under Japan's economic cooperation framework, *the Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects* ("KUSANONE" Grant), the Government of Japan provides US\$57,494 to Kandal Provincial Teacher Training College for the Project for Constructing a Science Laboratory at Kandal Provincial Teacher Training College. The Grant Contract was signed today between Mr. KAWAMURA Hiroshi, Deputy Chief of Mission / Minister, Embassy of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and Ms. CHHIN Sovann, Director of Kandal Provincial Teacher Training College, at the Embassy of Japan.



In order to provide better science education, Kandal Provincial Teacher Training College will implement a project for constructing a one-story science laboratory for 240 trainees, who will be primary school teachers in Kandal Province after graduation. As a part of the project, school furniture, such as laboratory tables, chairs and shelves for experiment tools, will also be installed. It is expected that about 180,000 primary school students in the Province will be able to receive improved science education from the teachers.

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 millions for local authorities and non-governmental organizations to implement 469 projects throughout the country.



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