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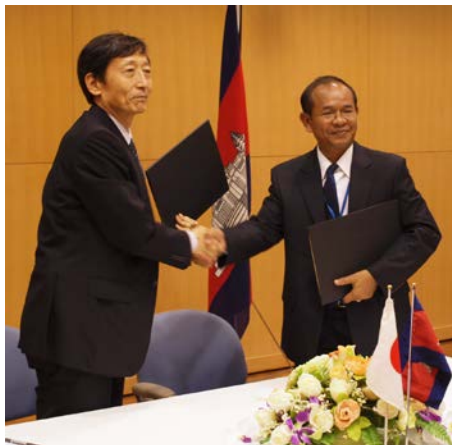
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JAPAN PROVIDES US\$99,221
FOR REHABILITATING KOMPEANG IRRIGATION

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\$ 99,221 to Pursat Provincial Department of Water Resources and Meteorology (PDOWRAM) for the Project of Rehabilitating Kompeang Irrigation. 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. KEO Vey, Director of Pursat PDOWRAM, at the Embassy of Japan.



With the grant, Kompeang Irrigation System will be rehabilitated by PDOWRAM. The project includes rehabilitation of 2,100m of Secondary canal, construction of 4 turnouts and 2 check structures, 1050m of new Secondary canal. It is expected to reduce the annual flood damage and provide better access to the water for irrigation for around 491 households in the region. With the technical support from the PDOWRAM, the community will maintain the irrigation system in a good condition.

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 470 projects throughout the country.



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