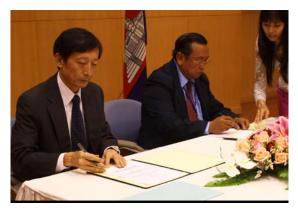
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JAPAN PROVIDES US\$92,290 FOR INSTALLING SURGICAL INSTRUMENT FOR OPERATING ROOM IN REFERRAL HOSPITAL



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\$92,290 to Cheung Prey-Batheay Operational District for the Project for Installing Medical Equipment for Operating Room in Cheung Prey Referral Hospital in Kampong Cham

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. HOEUNG Thol, Director of Cheung Prey-Batheay Operational District, at the Embassy of Japan.

In order to improve emergency medical services and surgical operations, Cheung Prey-Batheay Operational District will install surgical instrument for operation room in Cheung Prey Hospital near the crossing of National Road 6 and 7 in Kampong Cham Province. This project makes it possible for approximately 200,000 people living in Cheung Prey District and Batheay District as well as emergency patients referred from other areas to receive improved emergency medical services and surgical operations.

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 471 projects throughout the country.



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