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**JAPAN PROVIDES US\$99,382 FOR
REHABILITATING CHIVE PHEAP IRRIGATION SYSTEM
IN KAMPONG THOM PROVINCE**

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\$ 99,382 to Kampong Thom Provincial Department of Water Resources and Meteorology (PDOWRAM) for the Project of Rehabilitating Chive Pheap Irrigation System in Kampong Thom Province. The Grant Contract was signed today between Mr. MACHIDA Tatsuya, Counsellor, Embassy of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and H.E. Mr. Cheat Syvutha, Director of Kampong Thom PDOWRAM, at the Embassy of Japan.



With the grant, Chive Pheap Irrigation System will be rehabilitated by Kampong Thom PDOWRAM. The project includes rehabilitation of 400m of embankment of reservoir and 2,200m of main canal, and construction of 2 check structures. It is expected to reduce the annual flood damage and provide better access to the water for irrigation for around 1,150 households

in the region. With the technical support from the Kampong Thom 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\$47.5 millions for local authorities and

non-governmental organizations to implement 474 projects throughout the country.



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