

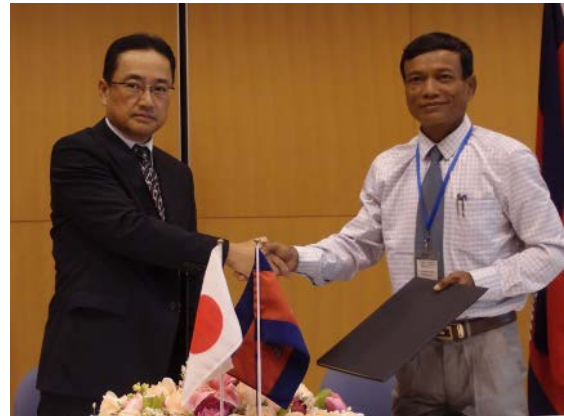
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**JAPAN PROVIDES US\$77,283 FOR CONSTRUCTION
OF SCHOOL BUILDING**

Under Japan's economic cooperation framework, *the Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects ("KUSANONE" Grant)*, the Government of Japan provides US\$77,283 to Vocational Training for Alleviation of Poverty and Social Development for the Project for Constructing a School Building at Roleab Primary School, Pursat Province. The Grant Contract was signed today between Mr. HIGUCHI Yoshihiro, Minister / Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and Mr. THONG Sarun, Director of Vocational Training for Alleviation of Poverty and Social Development, at the Embassy of Japan.



In order to improve educational environment, Vocational Training for Alleviation of Poverty and Social Development (VAPSD) will implement a project to construct a 5-room concrete school building equipped with school furniture at Roleab Primary School in Pursat town, Pursat Province. As a part of the project, a 4-room toilet will be also constructed. It is expected that over 500 students will be able to enjoy studying in the improved educational environment.

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\$48.3 millions for local authorities and non-governmental organizations to implement 481 projects throughout the country.



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