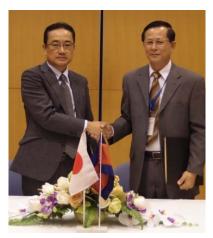
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JAPAN PROVIDES US\$122,771 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS



Under Japan's economic cooperation framework, the Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects ("KUSANONE" Grant), the Government of Japan provides US\$122,771 to Battambang Provincial Department of Education, Youth and Sport for the Project for Constructing School Buildings at Yutethoar Primary School and Samnang Preah Srey Primary School in Bavel District, Battambang Proivnce. The Grant Contract was signed today between Mr. HIGUCHI Yoshihiro, Chargé d'Affaires ad interim of Japan in the Kingdom of Cambodia, and Mr. NGY Set, Director of Battambang Provincial

Department of Education, Youth and Sport, at the Embassy of Japan.

In order to improve educational environment, Battambang Provincial Department of Education, Youth and Sport will implement a project to construct concrete school buildings equipped with school furniture at Yutethoar Primary School and Samnang Preah Srey Primary School in Bavel District, Battambang Proivnce. As a part of the project, toilets and water tanks will be also constructed. It is expected that over 780 students at both primary schools 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 promoting the human security of the vulnerable individuals, i.e. protecting them from such factors as poverty and misfortunes that directly threaten their lives, livelihood, and dignity, as well as at enhancing self-reliance of local communities. Since 1991, the Government of Japan has provided over US\$48.7 millions for local authorities and non-governmental organizations to implement 486 projects throughout Cambodia.



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