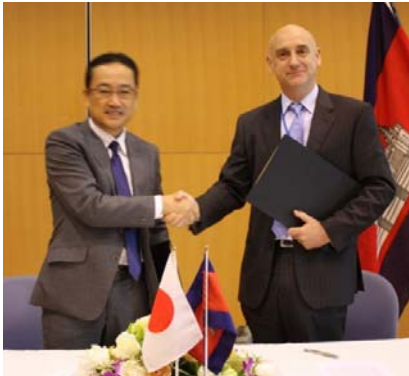


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**JAPAN PROVIDES US\$91,429 FOR  
INSTALLING AUDIOLOGICAL EQUIPMENT**



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\$91,429 to All Ears Cambodia for the Project for Installing Audiological Equipment in Phnom Penh. The Grant Contract was signed today between Mr. HIGUCHI Yoshihiro, Chargé d'Affaires ad interim of Japan in the Kingdom of Cambodia, and Dr. Glyn Vaughan, Director of All Ears Cambodia, at the Embassy of Japan.

All Ears Cambodia will install audiological equipment including headphones and sound-proof testing rooms at their clinic in Phnom Penh in order to improve the services to their patients. Approximately 2,000 individuals with hearing impairment are expected to benefit from the improved audiological services provided at the clinic in Phnom Penh.



*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 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 promoting self-reliance of local communities. Since 1991, the Government of Japan has provided US\$48.9 millions for local authorities and non-governmental organizations to implement 488 projects throughout the country.



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