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# **2013 Annual Report**

## **The projects and activities** **were carried out in 2013**

*Project I – Rural Disadvantaged Children and Youth Development*

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for Unemployed Young Adults and Women in Crisis*

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tank*

*Project V – Land filled with excavated soil, fruit trees planted and animals raised*

# Project I – Rural Disadvantaged Children and Youth Development

## 1. Short description of the project purpose / goal

The project has been initiated in order to achieve a measurable and sustainable improvement in the health, education and livelihoods of community vulnerable children that enable them to improve access to education and health care services by providing them with kindergarten, primary school level, computer literacy, English teaching and with basic dental and medical services and with basic health education including seasonal diseases, mothers' and children's health care, sanitation, hygiene and nutrition and that raise awareness and understanding of the rights of the child among local children and people through education on the rights of the child and advocate with the commune council so that they meet the needs and solve the problems of the children and adolescents.

## 2. Completed activities in 2013 of this project:

- **Provision of kindergarten teaching and child day care services to the children aged between 3 and 5 years:** These activities were done in order to provide the rural vulnerable children with basic knowledge, good behaviour and mental development and protection from every form of abuse and in order to enable their parents or guardians to work out of their home village to get additional income for supporting their families.
- **Opening the afternoon classes teaching the primary school children both Khmer literature and mathematics:** This activity was done in order to improve the knowledge of primary school children towards reduction of high rate of school dropouts.
- **Opening the English classes teaching English language to both children and youth:** English classes were opened in order to provide the children and youth with English knowledge used for various purposes when they learn at the university in the future.
- **Opening the computer skill training class:** The computer skill training class was operated aiming at providing both children and youth with basic computer skills in order for them to use it for various purposes in the future.
- **Providing the children with health care:** The health care activity was done in order to prevent the children from having various diseases towards their health improvement.
- **Providing the children with protection from abuses:** This activity aimed at protecting the children from physical and mental abuses and lack of warm care and at promoting their rights to living, to education, to protection and to participation.
- **Other Project – Related Activities but Outside of Project Plans:** Apart from the project activities, other activities that were out of project plans were also implemented. These have been included as follows:

- On September 29, 2013, from 7:30AM to 11:30AM, Khmer Association for Development celebrated the palm-made and tourist boat racing ceremony on the stretch of 200m canal located in Trakiet village, Trapaing Kong commune behind the Community Vulnerable Children Development Center of Khmer Association for Development in the purpose of 1) participating in congratulation of Khmer traditional Pchom Ben festival, 2) entertaining the children learning at the center, 3) creating friendship and friendliness among community children and youths and 4) raising funds and soliciting school materials from the participants and generous people for poorest children.
- During the rainy season starting from June to November, there was a lot of rain that damaged the streets both outside of and inside the center. The rain made the streets muddy and slippery that made the children coming to school by bicycles fall down and their bodies were full of mud. The muddy and slippery streets disrupted the children's schooling very often. In order to improve the situation, Khmer Association for Development led the children and youth to fix the streets.
- The center is located in a large field. It is very hot during the dry season. In order to improve the situation, during the rainy season, Khmer Association for Development led the children and all staff to plant fruit trees such as mango, longan, jackfruit, custard-apple, moringa, water apple, milk fruit, sapodilla, coconut, etc. It is part of environmental protection and promotion in the center. It is expected that there will be shade for both animals and children.
- There were 85 children staying all day in the center. They got learning opportunity and health care and were provided with lunch and snack. A lot of money spent on the children's food each month. So in order to reduce the expenditure, during the period of project implementation, Khmer Association for Development raised some animals for meat such as chicken, fish, ducks, geese and grew some vegetables such as cucumber, strong bean, egg-plant, gourd, cantaloupe, pumpkin, mint, etc. in the center in Trakiet village.
- In September 2013, Khmer Association for Development cooperated with Youth Council of Cambodia to train the 50 selected youth on local democracy, especially the system of local decentralization, advocacy and leadership. The training took place in the center of Khmer Association for Development. The youth who were selected for training, had to be from 18 years old upwards.
- On August 17, 2013, the Buddhist monk was invited to provide all the children and youth in the center with morality education in the purpose of educating them how to respect each other, their parents and older people, to be sincere and avoid the violence and how to solve the problems peacefully.

### **3. The expected results as planned and the quantitative and qualitative output achievements (Output/Results):**

- 210 students had a great chance to learn both Khmer literacy and mathematics at extra classes, 104 of them were girls. Of 210 students, 73 of them were graded well, 91 of them were graded fairly and 48 of them were graded poorly.
- 105 learned at the kindergarten classes and 53 of them were girls who were aged between 3 and 5 years. The results of their learning were that 55 children performed well at school, 29 of them were fair and 21 others were weak. In September, 36 children in total were sent to learn at primary school because they reached the school age of 6 years.

- 447 English students had a great chance to learn English language at the center of Khmer Association for Development, 231 of them were girls. The results of English teaching activity were that 146 students performed well, 147 of them were fair and 154 of them were weak.
- 139 students studied computer skills at the center, 72 of them were girls. Among all computer students, only 115 of them were selected for monthly test and the results were that 11 students received good results, 33 of them received fair results and 71 of them received the poorest results.
- 361 children were dentally treated and 296 children were medically treated. 551 community people underwent the community health education.
- 13 cases of raped were investigated and 13 victims were helped with some donations of food, school materials, playthings and hygienic kits and even motivated them to attend the school regularly and perform well.
- Two events such as boat racing ceremony and new school year enrollment campaign were organized.
- Animals and vegetables for nutritious food of children produced, fruit trees were grown, the center streets were fixed and the center environment was improved.
- 50 youth were trained on local democracy, especially the system of local decentralization, advocacy and leadership.
- 344 children and youth were provided with morality education in order for them to behave morally, especially improve their respect for their parents and old people and to avoid aggressive manner.
- 25 staff, teachers and child caregivers were provided with further training and capacity training.

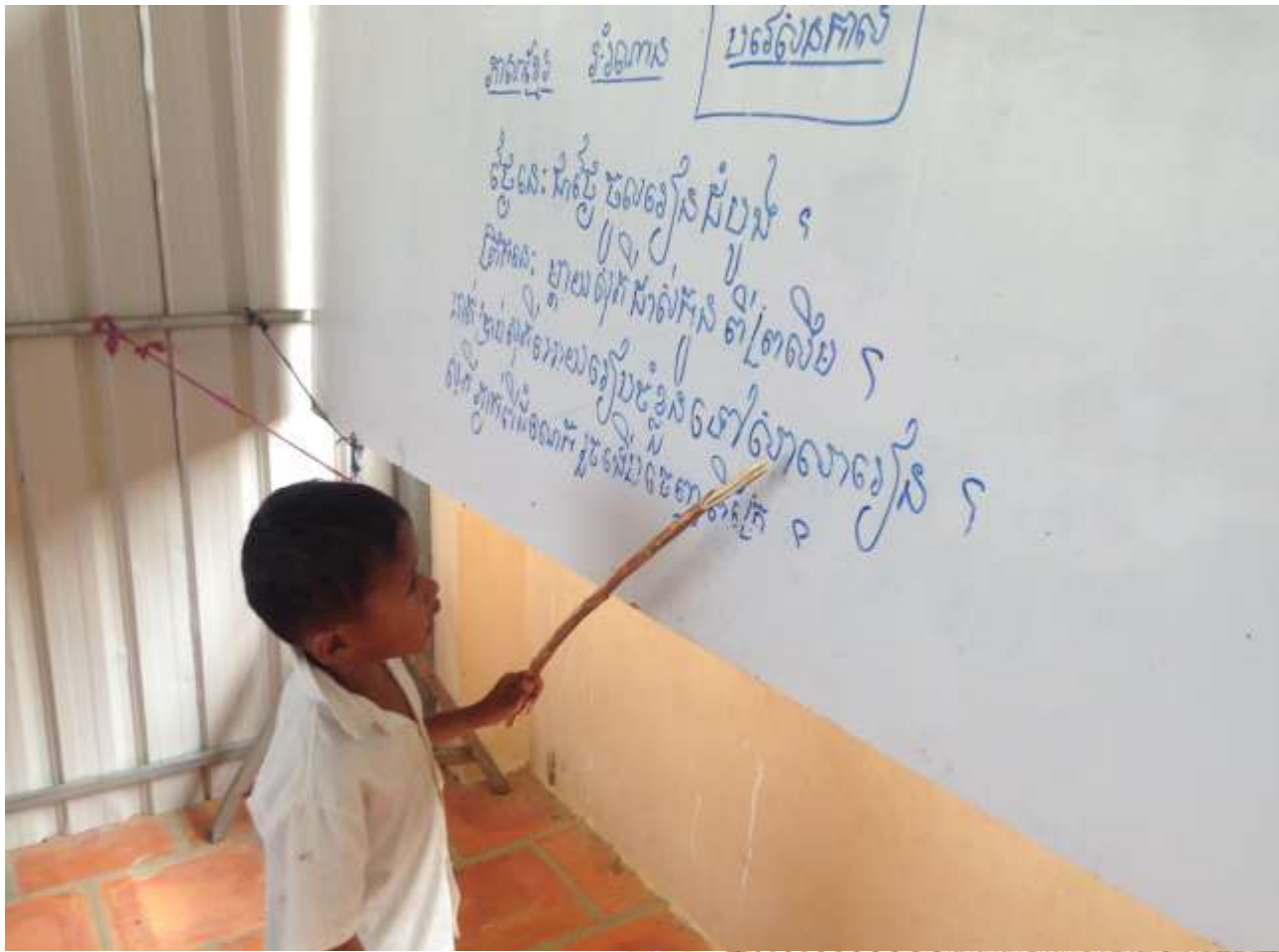
#### **4. What has changed/developed/improved for the target group as follows:**

- The children have freed themselves from illiteracy and any forms of abuses and changed their behaviour towards their parents and other people.
- The children have had a closed education and health facilities whereby they could get access to education and health care more easily.
- They have been more interested in their schooling. Wasting time to play during their free time has been reduced.
- School dropping-out has been reduced and the number of children could read and write has been increased.
- The children and youth have used new skills of English language and computer according to their purpose.
- The children who stayed all day in the center, have been healthy and safe.
- The community people have understood about the value of education that has made them send their children to school.
- The children have known how to take care of their teeth whereby they have stopped dental pain, eaten a lot and slept well.
- The law against child abuses has been enforced thoroughly. The victims of abuses have been protected and the perpetrators couldn't escape the punishment.



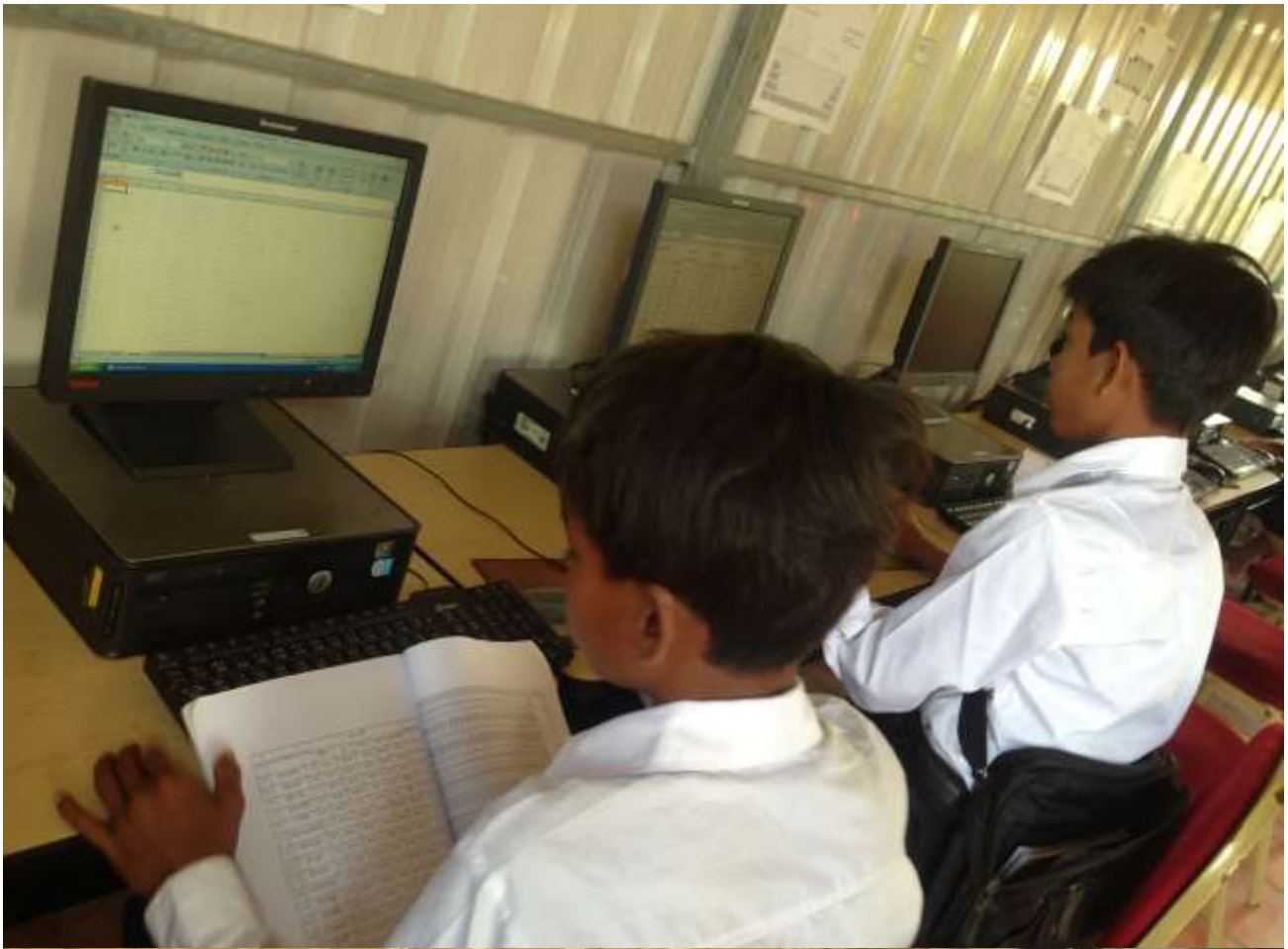


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# Project II – Child Day Care Service Provision

## 1. Short description of situation of children and the project purpose / goal

Most villagers in the project areas have worked for the garment factories, at rice paddies and at the construction sites that are far away from their villages. They leave their home villages for their workplaces in early morning and come back in the evening. So their work has compelled them to leave their children alone at home or with their old grand parents without thorough care. This has made the children face a lot of problems such as serious illness, sexual rape, traffic accident, drowning, falling from trees, insufficient food to eat, lack of physical hygiene, basic and moral education, etc. Some women are tied up by child care all day that makes them unable to have time to work outside to get money to support their families. This has made them get poorer. The advantages they have secured from the project are that they have enough time to work and their children get access to education and health care, get nutritious food and be freed from various abuses and incidents. Actually, from January to November 2013, 78 children had serious diseases such as dengue fever, high temperature, severe stomachache, dense blood, respiratory inflammation, typhoid and eye pain. Then they were referred to the private clinic and Kampong Speu provincial referral hospital for treatment. The hospital said that these children were sent for treatment late because they started being sick for several days but due to busy work all day, the parents were not aware of their children's health issues. However, KAD saved them on time. On May 05, 2013, two children living in the project area died from drowning. These children were also under KAD daycare but on that day their parents didn't send them to the KAD center. It was strange that in October 2013, most children both in communities and in the center had a pain in their eyes.

The project has been initiated to improve the warm and safe care for orphans, AIDS affected children and extremely poor children in Samraong Tong district through delivery of safe homestay, recreation, early childhood learning, play area with books and playthings, health care, physical hygiene, nutritious food, clean water, moral behavior, protection from abuse, social and psychological assistance. The project goal is to achieve a measurable and sustainable improvement in the welfare, promotion and protection of the rights and dignity of community vulnerable children.

## 2. Completed activities in 2013 of this project

- **Constructing the child care building in the center:** One building was constructed in order to accommodate and take care of children during the day.
- **Providing the new child caregivers with child care training:** The child caregivers were trained on how to take care of children in the center. This training was organized in order to strengthen the caregivers' capacity.
- **Providing the children with care services:** This activity was set up in the purpose of providing the children with some care services including 1) provision of education (the children were taught Khmer literacy, numeracy and English, daily moral and hygienic practices with bodily gesture, video and other equipment and entertained with games, jokes and short old stories), 2) provision of health care (the children were referred to health service providers when they were sick and were educated on health issues), 3) provision of meals (the children were fed with breakfast prepared by their parents from home, and



provided with lunch and snack prepared by the center), 4) provision of hygiene and sanitation (the children were provided with physical hygiene, the bathroom, toilet, kitchen wares, clothes were cleaned and washed by the caregivers) and 5) the children were provided with school uniforms and transported to and fro.

- ***Enrolling the 6-year-old children at primary school:*** The children who reached the 6 years of school age, were sent to the public primary school for new school year enrollment.
- ***Organizing the meetings with the children's parents and guardians:*** Khmer Association for Development organized the meeting with the children's parents in order to report on the activities carried out since the project was initiated, to allow them to visit the child care service provision building and to express constructive views.

### **3. Achievements of the project:**

- One construction team with 5 members were selected and set up,
- The construction work has been finished up to 100%,
- Four rooms of childcare building were closed with ceilings and equipped with electric fans, fluorescent lights, TV sets and other teaching materials.
- The construction work monitoring was done,
- One concrete water basin was built,
- One Tuk Tuk and one Hyudia truck used to transport the children to and fro were bought,
- Six staff for the project were recruited and trained,
- 85 children aged in the range of 3-5 years were selected and included into the center,
- The survey on the children situation was done in five villages,
- The documents and other materials used in the project were prepared,
- The request for human resource development for the project was submitted to the Kampong Speu Provincial Department of Education, Youth and Sport,
- 78 children were saved from severe diseases,
- Six staff had capacity to take care of the children,
- 23 six-year-old children were sent for learning at primary school,
- New school year enrollment campaign and boat racing ceremony were organized,
- Animals such as chicken, ducks, geese and fish were raised to get meats for children and many kinds of vegetables for grown to supply the kitchen with fresh vegetables,
- Playground was constructed and equipped with playground equipment,
- Anti-measles vaccine was given to 85 children in the project.

### **4. Effects of the project on the beneficiaries:**

- The Vulnerable Children Development Center is the place in which the community people have had confidence and where the vulnerable children have been provided with warm care, protection from various abuses and incidents, learning, health care and pleasure opportunity.
- The project has provided the community people, especially women with income-generating employment opportunity towards poverty reduction.
- The children were smarter and performed much better when they were sent to learn at primary school.
- The children have accustomed themselves to classroom, wanted to stay and learn in the center and changed their behavior.
- The children acquired basic knowledge and had improved health.
- The parents had enough time to work to earn income for their families.



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# **Project III – Small-Scale Clothes-Making and Iron-Made Product Enterprises for Unemployed Young Adults and Women in Crisis**

## **1. Short description of situation of people and the project purpose / goal**

In September - October 2012, Mr. Doem Sam Un, the Executive Assistant and Mr. Sok Chantha, the Child Protection Officer were assigned to gather data in terms of the livelihood situation of children from 117 poorest families in 31 villages under Samraong Tong district in which 243 children and young people live through interviews of the parents and custodians or children themselves. The target villages for data collect included Dok Por, Kok Phnao, Chak Kabet, Chong Boeng, Trakiet, Trapaing Roka, Thmar Baing, Bak Chenhchien, Raong Kor, Samraong Tong Kandal, Samraong Tong Leu, Samraong Tong Kraom, Tonlop, Ou Kraing Ambel, Trapaing Kyogn, Tole Katil, Prey Pdao, Sangkruos Cheat, Sophy, Steung, Kok Chey, Kraing Tarath, Takam, Tuol Samnang, Perng Toek, Angkor Chear. The purpose of data collection was to find the best ways or some projects to help them out of poverty towards enhancement of their living status. We just selected the poorest families for interviews. At first, we communicated with village chiefs because they know their people very well, asked the lists or statistics of poorest villagers from them and sometimes, they accompanied us to meet the poorest families in person. We looked at their houses and photographed them and then asked them some questions regarding their name, ages, address, jobs, amount of income, number of children, the children's study, jobs and their income, causes of poverty, challenges they faced, impacts on their children and their needs. The number of family members range from 3 to 10 persons. The children are aged from 1 to 26 years.

With respect to the unemployment – 79 people range from 10 – 81 years of age are unemployed. 42 of them are women and the rest are men. Most elderly people aged from 50 years upward have chronic diseases and are very weak. They have to stay home and look after their grand children and houses. Some young women have to look after their houses and children and cook food for their husbands and children. Some young men do nothing except drinking alcohol and joining the gang. The unemployment was due to low and no education and no skills.

The project has been implemented in order to contribute to poverty reduction of disadvantaged people in rural, remote areas of Kampong Speu province through provision of vocational training and creation of income-generating employment. The aim of vocational training projects is to secure occupation and income. Follow-up statistics serve the purpose of finding out what kind of work the ex-trainees do after leaving the training class of Khmer Association for Development and how much income they have as compared with the income they had before undergoing the training. Follow-up statistics are thus a good measuring instrument for the efficiency of a vocational training course. They can be conducted for a particular course or for a certain period of time. At the end of training course, the follow-up statistics will be used to evaluate the project results.



## **2. Completed activities in 2013 of this project**

### ***2.1 Planning the activities:***

The project team met and discussed about the future action plans before the project was implemented. During the meeting, the project staff were held responsible for their respective roles and duties.

### ***2.2 Preparing the training workshops, purchasing needed materials and equipment and recruiting the trainees for vocational training courses:***

The project team prepared the vocational training room, purchased the needed materials and equipment and then the trainees were recruited.

### ***2.3 Operating the vocational training courses:***

The purpose of vocational training courses was to provide the trainees with real skills towards creation of income-generating employment and self-employment. The training courses included metal production and tailoring. The metal production training included the production of materials and equipment from metal, for instance, door, window, roof, desk, chair, cupboard, book shelf, poultry cage, playground equipment, etc. As for the tailoring training course, it included popular and traditional modes of clothes. This meant that the trainees were taught how to make every mode of clothes both currently popular and traditional. The trainees were first instructed on the theories and then they were required to practice their skills.

### ***2.4 Creating an employment in the workshops for completed trainees and doing the marketing to get the work done:***

Two marketing staff were employed to work on marketing. They were responsible for communication with outside clients who needed our services that led the trainees towards daily practices of their skills. The trainees were allowed to stay in the center and were provided with meals and income earned from the services were used as their incentives.

### ***2.5 Education on business-starting-up methods, mentality, morality and social laws, Monitoring, follow-up activities and evaluation:***

Apart from provision of skills of metal production and tailoring, the trainees were further trained on business starting-up and education on good behavior. In addition, the project team monitored and evaluated the project activities on regular basis.

## **3. Achievements of the project:**

- The project team of 5 members was set up for planning, monitoring and evaluating the project.
- Two vocational training rooms equipped with various materials and equipment were prepared.
- 24 trainees were recruited from six communes of Samraong Tong district.
- 37 types of metal products and 22 modes of costumes were learned.
- 24 trainees were employed to work to get monthly income and trained how to start up their own business.
- They were educated on decency, morality and social laws.

#### **4. Benefits for the beneficiaries:**

- They acquired the skills of metal production and tailoring and got a job near their home villages.
- They received some income for supporting their families.
- They received a new skill in operating their own business.
- They were aware of the value of knowledge and profession and understood about social issues and the value of living and morality.

#### **5. Effects to the beneficiaries:**

- Their livelihood was improved.
- They escaped migration in search of jobs away from their home village that could face various problems.
- They lived together with their family members and had a chance to take care of their children.
- They had enough income used to support their children, for instance, buying school materials, providing them with health care, nutritious food and clothes.
- Young men behaved morally and stayed away from narcotic drugs and gang.





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# **Project IV – Construction of child daycare, metal production training and motorbike vocational training buildings, playground shelter and concrete water tank**

## **1. Short description of the project purpose / goal**

Khmer Association for Development has just set up and developed its new Vulnerable Community Children Development Center in Trakiet village, Trapaing Kong commune for about two years since mid 2012. So the development of various infrastructures is the first priority need in the center, for instance, learning and training buildings, homestay buildings, fences, gates, bathrooms and toilets, streets, water wells, water tanks and underground water systems, electric poles, etc. However, the development of these infrastructures desperately needs a lot of resources such as human, funding, skills, advice and community participation. That's why since its inception, we have tried very hard to find funding to construct the most needed buildings that are the foundation of the center. Actually, up to date, some infrastructures such as one learning building, three vocational training building, one child day care building, two concrete water tanks, two metal water tank, one water pump, one playground shelter, one chicken farm and one vehicle garage have appeared on this new land. In addition, other works have also been done, for instance, planting fruit trees, filling the land with excavated soil to make it higher, making concrete gate together with metal sign board and making barbed wire fences around the land. These are part of land development in the center. Last year, some progresses in terms of infrastructures such as one metal production building, one motorbike vocational training building, one playground shelter, one vehicle garage and one concrete water tank have made. However, there have been some more infrastructures such as road construction, school building refurbishment, public toilet construction for children, child daycare building refurbishment, fish pond remodeling, concrete water tank, playground equipment, chicken shelter, street electricity, plastic water pipe and dustbin.

## **2. Activities relating to infrastructure development for 2013**

- Establishment of the construction team and enquiring about the costs of construction materials.
- Construction of one child day care building (size = 25m x 8m x 3:50m).
- Construction of one metal production training building (size = 25m x 12m x 3:70m).
- Construction of one motorbike vocational training building (size = 12m x 6m x 3:40m).
- Construction of one vehicle garage (size = 15m x 5m x 3:20m).



- Construction of one playground shelter (size = 35m x 5m x 3:70m).
- Construction of one concrete water tank (size = 6m x 4m x 3:60m).

### **3. Benefits of these infrastructures to the beneficiaries:**

- One of child day care building rooms was used as a kitchen cooking daily meals for children.
- Four others of child day care building rooms were used as classrooms in which the children were provided with education opportunity. This building could accommodate about 80 children.
- The metal production training building was the place providing 12 young men with the skills in metal production towards the creation of income-generating employment.
- The motorbike vocational training building will be used for training young men on skills of motorbike repairing.
- The vehicle garage was built to maintain the vehicles of the center, otherwise, they will be parked in the open air that will be ruined by both dew and heat of sunlight.
- The playground shelter equipped with playground equipment has entertained a few hundred children.
- One concrete water tank can store about 70 cubic meter of rain water that has been drunk by a few hundred children.





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# **Project V – Land filled with excavated soil, fruit trees planted and animals raised/vegetables grown.**

## **1. Activities done relating to the project**

- ***Land filled with excavated soil:*** Some parts of the land and street in the center filled with excavated soil to make it higher to escape the inundation of rain water during the rainy season. In addition, the construction site of the building was also filled with mound before the construction worked started.
- ***Fruit trees planted:*** In the center it is hot, especially during the dry season. This has made the children feel uncomfortable during their learning hours. The teachers also have a big problem with this hot weather that could affect their teaching activity. In order to reduce or eliminate this problem, a lot of fruit and other kinds of trees have been planted in the center in the purpose of getting shade towards reduction of the heat from the sun.
- ***Animal raised/vegetable grown:*** Animal raising and vegetable growing is also part of the center development. It has produced some meats and vegetables for children's daily nutritious food and can reduce the expenditure. In the center, there is a farm in which chicken, ducks and geese have been raised and there is a vegetable garden in which some vegetables such as water morning glory, egg-plant, tomato, cucumber, etc. have been grown.

## **2. The results achieved**

- Two building sites, a stretch of 150 street and some premises in the center were filled with mound.
- More than one hundred fruit and other types of trees were planted.
- About three hundred children, ducks and geese were raised.
- Some vegetables were grown.





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