

ANNUAL REPORT 2023







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## **Dear Friends and Supporters of Caritas Cambodia**

It is with immens gratitude and pride that we present Caritas Cambodia's annual report for 2023. This year has seen us overcome significant hurdles as we continue to navigate the lasting impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, the global peace crisis, the war in Ukraine, the global climate crisis, and the impact of the global economic recession. Despite these ongoing challenges, our resolve to uplift and empower Cambodia's most vulnerable communities remains stronger than ever.

#### **OUR OPERATIONS AND IMPACT**

Caritas Cambodia is now operational in 16 provinces, supported by 10 field offices and our national office in Phnom Penh. Our dedicated efforts have enabled us to expand and enhance our core programs, including:

- · Community-Based Sustainable Livelihood
- Technical Vocational Skills Center and Entrepreneurship Development
- · Comprehensive Prisons Programs
- Maternity and Child Health (MCH) and Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Program
- Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Climate Change Adaptation Programs
- Eye Health Initiatives
- Mental Health Support Systems
- Inclusive Education for Children and Youth
- Gender Equality and Anti-Trafficking Initiatives
- Safe Migration Advocacy
- Social Inclusion Promotion
- · Protection and Promotion of Children and Youth Rights
- Community-Based Eco-Tourism
- Inclusive Market Value Chain for Smallholder Farmers

This year, we are proud to report the continued success of these programs. Notably, we've made remarkable progress in mental health support and inclusive education, extending our reach to an ever-growing number of beneficiaries. Significant strides have been made in our Community-Based Sustainable Livelihood program, which has empowered local farmers and improved food security. Our Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation initiatives have enhanced community resilience against environmental challenges. Our Eye Health and Gender Equality programs have achieved new milestones, providing essential services and fostering inclusive growth within our communities.

Additionally, we have expanded our efforts in the support and protection of local and foreign survivors of human trafficking. By collaborating with various stakeholders, we have been able to offer critical support services and safe spaces for survivors, helping them to rebuild their lives and regain their dignity.

Our Mother and Child Health (MCH) programs have seen significant advancements, improving health outcomes for mothers and children through enhanced medical services and community outreach. Moreover, our Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) initiatives have improved access to clean water and sanitation facilities, promoting healthier living conditions across numerous communities.



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**Bishop Enrique Figaredo** 

**CHAIRMAN** 

Mr. Kim Rattana
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

#### **ACKNOWLEDGING OUR TEAM AND SUPPORT**

Our achievements would not be possible without the relentless dedication and passion of our staff and volunteers. Their tireless efforts and commitment to capacity building, through ongoing training and professional development, ensure that we deliver programs that truly make a difference.

We also wish to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Cambodian government, local authorities, and community members for their unwavering support and active participation. Your collaboration and trust have been instrumental in our efforts to create lasting positive change.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGING OUR TEAM AND SUPPORT**

We are deeply thankful for your steadfast support and encouragement. Your trust empowers us to keep striving towards our mission to improve the lives of Cambodia's most marginalized communities. As we look ahead to the coming year, we are eager to build on our successes and tackle new challenges with the same determination and hope.

Thank you for standing with us in solidarity. Sincerely yours,



# CARITAS IN CAMBODIA

Caritas Cambodia is The Social Development Arm of the Catholic Church in Cambodia. It is built on the values of Love, Concern, Peace, Unity, Sharing and Brotherhood. Caritas helps the poorest of the poor, in particular, focusing on the most disadvantaged, displaced, and vulnerablepeople and communities. We strive to promote human dignity, alleviate human suffering, and foster charity, justice and peace. Our services expand across 15 provinces and support Village Development Associations in over 300 villages.

## VISION

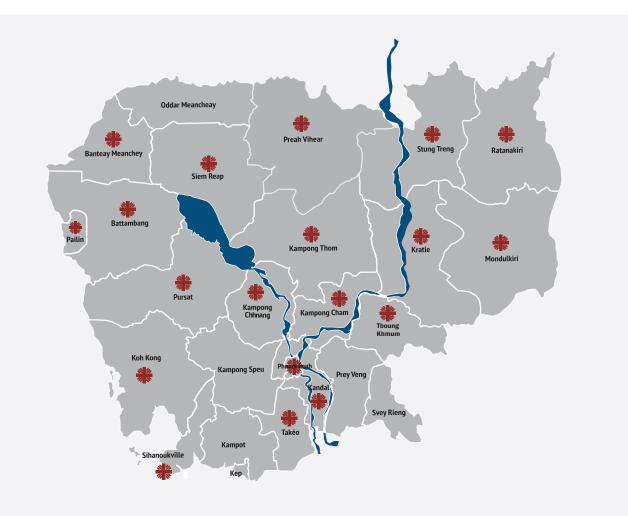
A just society where the rights of the people, especially the poor and marginalised are respected and integral human development is attained.

# **MISSION STATEMENT**

Caritas Cambodia aims to be an institution to:

- Contribute to enhance, promote; and protect human dignity of the poor;
- Liberate the poor from the clutch of poverty; and
- Commit to empower the poor through animation and inclusive development.

### CARITAS CAMBODIA ON THE MAP



# **OUR STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK** 2017 - 2023

The overarching new strategic framework (2017-2021) is to further strengthen the vision of Caritas Cambodia to build a just society where the rights of the people, especially the poor and marginalized are respected and integral human development is attained. The framework has been developed comprehensively with the engagement and consultation of all staff members and our partners. The results from consultations and meetings have been incorporated into concrete action planning and framework. We have identified five strategicorientations on which Caritas Cambodia is going to focus on to achieve in the next five years. The five orientations are interconnected and aligned with the mission statement to enhance, promote and protect human dignity of the poor, liberate them from the clutch of poverty; and to empower the poor through animation and inclusive development.



Saving lives, relief Suffering and helping rebuild livelihoods so that vulnerable community are able to survive and recover from disasters

Climate change Adaptation and building resilience communities





POVERTY THROUGH IHD

Improve quality of live of the poor through integral human development process includes:

Promote Ecological Care and Protection

- Community empowerment
- Agribusiness and Sustainable livelihood,
- Comprehensive care for prisoner,
- Community health care,
- Preventive eye health,
- Mental health and disability inclusion
- Caritas youth development and TVET





MIGRATION AND ANTIHUMAN **TRAFFICKING** 

Ensure safe migration and ending modern slavery through:

- Prevention
- Protection
- and Partnership









Strengthen and maintain the linkage and networking with likeminded stakeholders (govt, private, Community association..etc)

Capacitating people to demand for justice, human rights, and to influence social-political changes Modernize and upgrade high technology of CC system and website to make user-friendly access and attract for audientst



5 PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION WITH EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE

Strengthen the institutional capacity towards professional accountability, sustainability Improvement Management and governance of Caritas Cambodia, which is necessary to support the program quality and effectiveness.



Promote Caritas/Church identity from the governance management to grass-root level



# THANK WITH GRATITUDE

On behalf of Caritas Cambodia team, the poor and vulnerable communities, we would like to extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to all partners and donors for your contribution, spiritiual support, encouragement, enormous cooperation and partnership.

Your contribution plays a vital role in our mission to provide thousands of Cambodian people such as poor farmers, women, children, the elders, people with disabilities, prisoners, people living with HIV/ AIDs, the homeless and victimized people at all levels of the society with the support in need to build their better lives.

" Together As Family for Mission of Mercy "

The Integrated Community Development Program (ICDP) is one of Caritas Cambodia's core program models that is working with the grassroots level to promote the prosperity and sustainable development of the rural poor communities in Cambodia. The program promoted development areas of food security and livelihood development, social and economic growth through community empowerment, cooperative model, sustainable agriculture development, and inclusive value chain.

In 2023, ICD program working focus on keep follow up the existing local community group structure and activities in Kampong Thom and Preah Vihear province. The main activities are focus on strengthen and facilitate 6 VDAs and 2 ACs consisting of 11 villages in 4 communes of Santuk district, Kampong Thom province and 2 ACs (non-registered AC which is one in Kulen and another one is in Sangkum Thmey district) consist with 8 villages in Chaom Ksan district and 6 villages of Kulen district of Preah Vihear province. The program goal are:

- Increased income of small farmers through promoting Community Based Agri-business.
- · Improved business management and product marketing through AC and self-help groups.





Mrs. Pov Sovannara is taking care and feeding chicken

#### **RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS 2023**

#### 1. COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT PROMOTION

Community empowerment is a crucial component of ICD Program; it enables community increased control over their lives and resources, build more ownership and action that changed their livelihood and participation or engagement in decision making for improved their life. The program worked to support the establishment of community-based organizations mainly Village Development Association and Agriculture Cooperation, engagement the poor and vulnerable people to have full participation in community development works and strengthening their capacity. The support of the program led VDAs and ACs to implement several mutual help activities such as saving schemes, rice banks, emergency fund, and agri-businesses.

#### **KAMPONG THOM**

#### 1. Community Empowerment

Well-functioning and produce good performance of VDA in target area through:

- Total VDA member: 218
- Total monthly saving: 40,860,700 riel
- Total member access to VDA loan: 119 members with total amount of 42,431,600 riel
- Total interest earned: 7,329,400 riel

Provide technical support and assist VDA and AC on farm coaching, closing entry of VDA/AC as monthly, quarterly, semi and annually to on tracking all data required to show among members and partners. There are 2 ACs (Santuk Samaki and Khum Krayea Samaki) have been made good performance to support the AC operation. The result showed as below:

- Total operation capital: 306,781,500 riel
- Total AC member: 239 members with total share 41.300.000 riels
- · Total income earned from AC business:
- Total member accessed to AC: 58,469,200 million riel

Maintained and improved capacity on business operation and management to AC. As the result there are 4 businesses with good operated in 2 ACs in Kampong Thom province included 2 businesses focus on agriculture buying and selling group and 2 businesses on credit scheme).

#### 2. Food Security and Livelihood Development

- Provided technical support to 54 HHs have been supported capacity building, on farm coaching on chicken raising and they can earn more income about 300,000-500,000 riels per cycle and at least 3 times per year.
- Provide technical support and on farm coaching for vegetable growing group with total 30 HHs reported that, they could earn income 500,000-700,000 riel per cycle from vegetable growing besides, family consumption about 400,000 riel per year

#### PREAH VIHEAR

#### 1. Community Empowerment

Well-functioning and produce good performance of VDA in target area through:

- Total VDA member: 385 members
- The total of monthly saving: 30.10 million KHR
- Total member access to loan: 67 members use for agriculture purposes like cassava, chicken raising, vegetable growing and rice production.
- Total interest earned: 8.17 million KHR and 67 members

Provide technical support and assist VDA and AC on farm coaching, closing entry of VDA/AC as monthly, quarterly, semi and annually to on tracking all data required to show among members and partners. There are 2 ACs (Sankum Thmey and Kulen) has good performance. The result showed as below:

- Total operation capital: 141,160,000 million KHR
- Total AC members: 316 with total share accounted about 53,670,000 million KHR
- Total income earned from AC business: 10,720,000
  million KHR
- Total member accessed to AC: 138 HHs with total loan about 139,000,000 million KHR. The loan purposes are to promote of agriculture activities like rice, chicken, vegetable and cassava.

#### 2. Food Security and Livelihood Development

- Provided technical supported and on farm coaching on Chicken raising 60 HHs and each family raise between 20 to 40 chickens. An average income accounted between 200,000 riels to 740,000 riel per cycle and at least they could raise more than 3 times per year.
- Provided technical supported and on farm coaching to vegetable growing group with total 30 HHs are good continue to practice. The result showed that, per year they could earn income around 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 riels excluded for daily consumption accounted about 250,000-450,000 riel per year.

#### 2. FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOOD DEVELOPMENT

The Food Security and Livelihood Project aims to deal with regarding the issue of living condition, food consumption needs, agriculture production, agriculture market access and income in the community, especially the poor and vulnerable household. In 2023, the ICD Program worked with VDAs and ACs to provide technical training. And input support provision to practicing sustainable agriculture methods, small infrastructure and water management system for agriculture support provision, technical support provided

for improving quality of agricultural production and coordination for improving market access through the promoted value chain, market linkage and establishing market channels for agriculture products. The Program has established demo farms that offer farmers school for supporting field practice, dissemination agriculture technique to small-holder farmers.



Annual general assembly of AC Santuk Samaki



Annual general assembly of AC Khum Krayea Samaki

#### **KAMPONG THOM**

- Since the project start up project in 6 VDAs of Santuk district, more than 100 HHs have been supported as materials to start up project activity. In 2023, 54 HHs have been visited and the result indicated that, each HH raised as average 30-50 chickens. Based on the report showed that, they could earn income about 300,000-500,000 riels per cycle and at least 3 times per year they be able to raise chicken.
- For vegetable growing the result from the 30 HHs reported that, they could earn income 500,000-700,000 riel per cycle from vegetable growing besides, family consumption about 400,000 riel per year.

#### PREAH VIHEAR

- Chicken raising is very popular for rural community people to raise for family consumption and also for selling as additional income. In 2023, among supported more than 100 HHs we have conducted household visit to see the real of their raising. There were more than 60 HHs were visited. The result showed that, each family raise between 20 to 40 chickens. An average income accounted between 200,000 riels to 740,000 riel per cycle and at least they could raise more than 3 times per year.
- Vegetable cultivation provide both family consumption and selling for local people in the community as an alternative income. In 2023, 30 HHs out of 40 HHs have been visited. The result showed that, per year they could earn income around 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 riels excluded for daily consumption accounted about 250,000-450,000 riel per year.

#### PHOTOS OF ACTIVITIES



Mr. Koy Brob and his wife are taking care oftheir vegetable at Sre Ei village



Mrs. Pan Khoeun with her long bean at home in Bos village

#### **EVIDENCES (SUCCESS STORY)**

" Agricultural Cooperative as partner in improving the livelihoods of community"



Mrs. Seng Yorn is feeding chicken at home in

"My name is Seng Yorn, live in Ta Minh village. Since, being a member of Agricultural Cooperative Khum Krayea I have improved knowledge in term of chicken and vegetable growing techniques. Previously, I did not have home-based income but after I joint with AC, I could generate income from vegetable and chicken raising. In fact, it likes a supply chain at home. I can earn income 200\$-300\$ per month from vegetable and rising chickens the waste from vegetable can provide to produce as chicken feed."

"Honestly, so far, I did not have experience on introduce techniques for vegetable growing or fertilization such chemical and organic concept. Now I have improved these techniques under the

technical support from AC both theory oriented and on farm coaching in order to produce with high productivity to support family need. According to, signed agreement between AC and school on nutrition program, it provides enable environment for us to link the product which provide more source of income."

"Finally, I would like to pay gratitude thanks to Khum Krayea Samaki Agricultural Cooperative, local authority, Caritas Cambodia especially, funding partners for this great support both in kind and spiritual support to my community."

#### "From a migrant family to a model farmer with expertise in organic vegetables"



Mrs. Tith Heap is taking care her vegetable garden with her familty in Tbong Krapeu village

Mrs. Tith Heap, 53 years old is one of the organic vegetable producers lives in Tbong Krapeu village, Kor Koh commune, Santuk district, Kampong Thom province. Currently, she is a member of Agricultural Cooperative Santuk Samaki.

She said that: "Around 10 years ago, my family livelihood condition so difficult, so I decided to borrow some money from middlemen to let my husband migrant. Unfortunately, he cannot find job and decided to return home with nothing due to that time, it has a conflict between Thai and Cambodia.

"Fortunately, after joint with Agricultural Cooperative Santuk Samaki in 2017, I have been involved with the project, my family have been improved in term

of technical on organic vegetable production like organic growth promoter after that I am starting to do vegetable under the facilitation by Caritas project. I notice that, since become a member my family condition has been improved like have money to buy bicycle and support two children to secondary school and have money to spend for family need."

#### OUR DONORS/PARTNERS







# IMPROVING QUALITY OF MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH CARE AT COMMUNITY

Community Maternal and Child Health Program (MCH) is one of Caritas Cambodia's core program is working in good cooperation with national level included Ministry of Health (MoH) and Ministry of Rural Development (MRD) in order to contribute to achieve the national planned on mother child health and water sanitation in community. In other hand the program is working closely with the provincial and community level included Provincial Health Department (PHD) for technical on safe motherhood, nutrition and with Provincial Rural Development Department (PDRD) on WASH component and also great support from district level which includes Operation District (OD) district office and at community level: Commune



Ms. Sela is VHSG, she providing key messages on good nutrition to mothers

council, commune council for women and children (CCWC), health center staff, village chief and project team working closely with village health support group (VHSG) to provided technical support and facilitate to improve mother and child health in target community. The program will use the Asset Based Community Development (ABCD) approach to identify the needs and resources of the communities and will use the Primary Health Care Education to increase the access to available health services, enhance the awareness of communities on the importance of health care, hygienic and nutritional practices for the better health of women, children, school students and finally impacting the entire communities.

In 2023, The Community Maternal and Child Health Program (MCH) is covered in three provinces are Siem Reap, Preah Vihear and Mondolkiri province. The target area as following:

- 20 villages in 5 communes of Koh Nhek district of Mondolkiri province
- 8 targets villages in two communes of Choam Ksan district of Preah Vihear province
- 8 villages in 1 communes of Svay Leu district of Siem Reap province

#### THE PROGRAM GOAL AND OBJECTIVE AS FOLLOWING:



#### PROGRAM GOAL

Contribute to the reduction of Maternal Mortality and Child Mortality and Morbidity through improvement of Maternal and Child Care.



#### PROGRAM SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE

To improve health conditions of Women and Children through enhancement of health services delivery, nutrition education with better access to food and WASH integration at health centers, Health Posts and community people

#### **SIEM REAP RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS 2023**

Objective 1: Increased % of full immunization of target population (children under 1-year, pregnant mother, reproductive women) through increased outreach/mobile services at 6 remote villages:

The project team has worked closely with 20 (female13) village health support groups (VHSG) and good cooperation with 2 health centre staffs who conducted EPI out-reach activities to 6 hard-to-reach villages for pregnant women (PW), women in reproductive age (WRA), and children under 1 year and provided health awareness on importance of the children vaccinations and advantages of children being fully immunized.

- Total 325 children got vaccines with 110 out of 165 = 66.66 % of total target children got fully vaccinated 6 times from birth to 9-month age.
- Total 46 pregnant women got tetanus vaccines with 17 out of 84 = 20.23 % of total target pregnant women vaccinated of tetanus two times (TT2).
- Total 178 women got tetanus vaccines with 59 out of 1051 = 5.56 % of total target women in reproductive age (WRA) got vaccinated against tetanus at least three times (TT3).

<u>Objective 2:</u> Increased knowledge of target population on primary health care and safe motherhood education including communicable/non communicable diseases:

20 VHSGs (female13) and 3 project staffs conducted monthly health awareness on primary health care for nutrition, water and sanitation, communicable disease, non- communicable disease and safe motherhood to 361 (female 345) in 8 target villages and two annexes' villages.

- 1059 out of 1623 = 65.24 % of total target women accessed health care services at our target health center.
- 63 out of 129 = 48.83 % total target PW got their ANC check-up four times during their pregnancy center.
- 64 out of 129 = 49. 61% of total target pregnant women delivered babies safely by the qualified midwives at our target health.
- 675 out of 1535 =43.97 % of total target children of under 5 years old accessed Integrated Management of Child Illness (IMCI) services at our target health center.



Ms. Phea sharing good experience of providing breast milk to her baby

<u>Objective3</u>: Reduced Mother and Child malnutrition (underweight and overweight) of vulnerable families through nutrition promotion and access to nutritious food at 3 schools and 8 communities.

In order to improve the nutrition condition of mothers and children, 20 VHSG (female 13) and 3 project staffs provided more training, awareness and materials supported on reduction of malnutrition among "under five years old children" and pregnant women through various methods as below:

- Conducted 10 sessions of cooking demonstration and provided awareness on the three food groups necessary to ensure a complete nutrition of mothers and children and also provided awareness on the dangers of fast food to **148 mothers** in 10 target villages including two annex villages. For the cooking demonstrations, mothers were requested to bring from their own community resource of nutritious foods (rice, vegetable, egg, fish) as they learned previously the categories of food available, cheap and nutritious..., to cook together a very nutritious rice soup, that, after cooking, is offered to children for tasting and getting their lunch before going home.
- 247 out of 314 =78.66% of mother applied nutritious cooking such as super rice soup for children from 6 months up and they make soups (Sam Lor Koko, Sam Lor Brohey, Tek Kroeung which are mixing vegetables of three food groups after they got awareness from VHSG according to group discussion in community by project staffs.
- 15 (female 12) of parents got training on basic home gardening and 16 (female 13) parents for chicken raising and supported some materials to start -up chicken raising and home gardening at home to sustain their good nutrition by using their own vegetables and chicken meat in their daily cooking to improve the nutrition status of their children.
- Baby Friendly Community Initiative (BFCI) conducted to 21 (female 14) of VHSG, Mother Support Group (MSG) and Commune Council for Women and Children at Kantout health center. After training, 15 MSG (F11) attended 4 sessions of quarterly meetings conducted by PHD-OD and health center to refresh and strengthen the capacity of MSGs on BFCI to perform their role effectively and mothers and MSGs conducted cooking demonstration and feed baby in the meeting. Then PHD, OD reviewed the how to complete the report form for 15 MSGs conducted home visits to 284 mothers who have children under 1 year and completed their monitoring forms.
- 116 (female 85) people joined "World Breast Feeding Week" (WBW) event by using loud speaker with key messages of supplement feeding, importance of exclusive breastfeeding in the first 6 months of life and continued breastfeeding for the first 1000 days and beyond.
- To assess the importance of nutrition progress and identify nutrition gaps among our children in our communities, 3 project staffs with 20 (female13) VHSGs conducted child grow monitoring (quarterly weighting sessions) to 260 (girl 137) of children under 5 years old in our target areas.
- Due to all these interventions, we could see through the child growth monitoring that the malnutrition rate has been reduced from 3.96% in Feb 2023 to 1.70 % in November 2023 (reduced 2.26%) for children age (24M-59M).
- 60 out of 64 = 93.75 % of babies born in our target area weighted over 2.5 Kg which is a good indicator that mother understands well about nutrition and they applied their new knowledge for their daily meals with nutritious food.



Mr. Sophorn is VHSG, she passed knowledge on good nutrition for mothers



The mothers involving in cooking demonstration with tree food groups

# <u>Objective 4</u>: Enhanced community sanitation and hygiene through better WASH practices at communities and schools





The students are enjoyed in practicing of good behavior to get good hygiene

To contribute to achieve the Nation plan on WASH and in order to improve the sanitation in our target community and school, **(WASH)** is a very important component among four objectives of the project that make people living healthy as it improves the health condition of our target communities and schools. The project staffs focused on water sanitation and hygiene through promotion of clean water for bathing, hand washing, cooking and watering vegetables and awareness on safe drinking water at home and at schools and the project also supported some materials such as latrine materials, water jars, to the most vulnerable families and supported hygiene materials ( tooth paste, brush and soap) to st udents in 3 target schools to improve personal hygiene practicing at home and school in the target areas to improve their hygiene and sanitation conditions.

- 450 out of 713 = 63.11% of household access clean water for daily using from the well that have cover or rain water according to focus group discussion by project staffs and VHSG.
- 1105 out of 1579 = 69.98% of household practicing safe hygiene behavior through hand washing before eating and after toilet, according to focus group discussion by project staffs and VHSG.
- 402 out of 505 = 79.60% of household access to safe drinking water from bio sand filter, boiling, buying according to focus group discussion by project staff and VHSG.

In addition, one Caritas project staff cooperated with 2 PDRD officers to conduct six-month meeting on Community Led Total Sanitation (CLTS). This CLTS committee expected "100% Open Defecation Free (ODF) villages and started by drawing the village map with families having and using a latrine and those who do not have latrine yet as they do not feel the need for it yet. As a result of the assessment, 372 households out of 461 households (80.69%) were identified as using a latrine.



The two students presenting their group discussion results on hygiene



The students are so happy that they received soaps, toothbrushes and toothpastes

#### **PHOTOS OF ACTIVITIES**



Ms. Chy Nourng is VHSG, she providing cooking demonstration with mothers



Mr. Vina is HC staff providing deworming medicine to children under 5 years



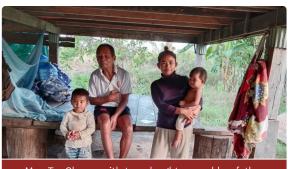
Ms. Sohorn is VHSG practicing provide nutrition awareness to villagers



The mothers involving in cooking demonstration with tree food groups

#### **EVIDENCES (SUCCESS STORY)**

 $^{\prime\prime}$  My breastmilk is priceless food for my baby growing well and smart at school  $^{\prime\prime}$ 



Mrs. Try Chanry with two daughters and her father who is sick at home.

Mrs. Try Chanry, 31 years old with her husband, Mr. Torn Sopheap, 29 years old, They have 2 daughters, Sopheap Narin, 3 years old, and the second one Sopheap Nary 14 months old. They live in a small house of a relative with their 77 years old father that has high blood pressure and he got paralyzed, cannot speak or walk. This family lives in remote areas of Prey Rongieng village, Kantout commune, Svay Leu district in Siem Reap province at about 141 km from Siem Reap town.

**Mrs. Chanry** is a housewife, caring for their 2 children and old father who is sick at home. Her husband has no regular job, he usually goes to work for others in

cassava plantation, harvesting rice at fields, finding wood and sometimes, goes for fishing. He earns about 400,000Riel (100\$) per month. But they have loaned 2000\$ to buy a walking tractor for farming so, they have to payback 100\$ every month for this loan and their small income is quickly gone. They are facing very difficult situation as they are not able to sustain their family's livelihood. Previously, Mrs. Try Chanry wanted to give formula milk to her baby because she thought that formula milk was the best food as she sees many people always doing that. Moreover, she could save time to work outside to find more income for the family but she could not buy because she had no money to buy it.

Fortunately, one day, Mrs. Try Chanry attended Caritas staff's awareness raising session prepared by Mr. Chan Pen Village Health Support Group (VHSG) and Caritas project staff (Mrs. In Chanthear) on breastfeeding and the advantages of breast milk, birth preparedness, advantage of vaccines, child growth monitoring, hygiene and sanitation etc.

Furthermore, in September 2023 she was invited to attend the World Breast Feeding Week Event that was celebrated in her village. Mrs. Try Chanry is a mother among many mothers who were very interested and understood clearly that breastfeeding needs to be initiated within one hour of birth, exclusive breastfeeding to be continued for the first 6 months of life and then, continued until 2 years of age and beyond, and nutrition for complementary feeding started at six months of age with super rice soup...

She kept saying: "I was very interested in this celebration that involved a lot of people in my village, including many important health officials from the provincial health department officer (PHD), operational district officer (OD), health center staff (HC) and Commune council who shared their knowledge on advantages of breastfeeding which is the best choice for our babies because it is the best nutrient, that we do not spend any money to buy, save time and especially our children are healthy and able to do good studies. I was surprised because I often confused, thinking that formula was the best food for babies but in fact it is opposite...".



Mrs. Chanry is satisfied and happy of providing breast milk to her baby while she participated in World Breast Feeding Week celebrated on 12th Sep 2023 at her village.

In that time, Mrs. Try Chanry was a Volunteer with strong commitment to spread out her good

experience with other mothers during the World Breastfeeding Event. She said "I want to share to all mothers that before, I often confused, thinking that formula milk was best because many rich people buy it but, in fact, no any food can compete with the breastmilk that is well adapted to our baby.



Mrs. Try Chanry was happy to share about her wrong thinking before that formula milk is good but now she understands well that breastmilk is priceless food for the babies growing well smart!

Breastmilk because it contains antibodies from the mother for the new born to fight diseases on the first months of life. I am so happy that I had not provided formula milk to my babies, but my breastmilk which made my children growing well and not often sick.... My second daughter is 14 months and weights 9.5kg which is a good weight for her. I am not rich but I am so delighted that my children are healthy and it is our best wish." Finally, she is very thankful to the VHSG in her village, donors and Caritas staffs who provided her the knowledge on good nutrition, child care and changing our behaviors from unhealthy to healthy habits especially for the good of our children who are our next generation.



Ms. Sophy is HC staff provided health education



The mothers are interesting of involving in questions and answers

#### PREAH VIHEAR RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS 2023

#### **EXPECTED RESULTS**

#### **RESULTS OBTAINED**

Expected Results for Level Objective (outcome): Health conditions of Women and Children improved through Primary Health Care practice, including better nutrition, access to food and WASH at 16 villages and 2 annexes (2457 HH) and 5 schools.

#### OVI 1 - % of women access health services

Actual value: 33%

Expected value: Preah Vihear: 65%

1,406 out of 1,104 equals to 127% of target women have been accessed to HC service for the period of 3rd semester (July, 2022 to Dec, 2023). (PVH). It over planned about 27% (65%>127%) for target women who have accessed to HC

# OVI 2 - % of children access health services

Actual value: Siem Reap: 26.56%, Preah Vihear: 78% Expected value: Siem Reap: 29%, Preah Vihear: 85%

Based on the HC report of both Yeang and Ta Koeung indicated that 736 children under 5 years old accessed to HC for IMCI during the reporting time. If we compared to the target children in 8 villages it means that, about 70% (736 out of 898 children). It achieved 70% compared to 2 years planned 85%. It will be reached to target plan in next 6 months, Jan-June, 2024.

#### OVI 2 - # of household improved nutrient intake

Actual value: Siem Reap: 276, Preah Vihear: N/A Expected value: Siem Reap: 314, Preah Vihear: 250 217 out of 250 equals to 87% of mothers applied nutritious food for family especially for their small children after they joint the awareness and cooking demonstration organized by project and HC. They make soup with various types of vegetable which they can collect surround their home like green leaf, papaya, pumpkin to make nutritious food.

RESULTS OUTPUT 1: R1: Increased % of full immunization of target population (children under 1-year, pregnant mother, reproductive women) through increased outreach/mobile services at 16 remote villages

#### OVI 1.1 - % children under 1 Yrs. at 14 remote villages, they got fully immunized throughoutreach activities

Actual value: Siem Reap: 55.75%, Preah Vihear: 72% Expected value: Siem Reap: 61%, Preah Vihear: 80% 695 out of 862 children got vaccination for under 2 years old. Among them 350 children under 1 year old and 345 children under 2 years old. 81% (695 out of 862) of under 2 years old children got vaccination throughout-reached activities.

#### OVI 1.2 - % mother at 14 remote villages got TT2

Actual value: Siem Reap: 25%, Preah Vihear: 56% Expected value: Siem Reap: 30%, Preah Vihear: 70% 131 PW out of 234 got TT2 through project out-reached and HC EPI activities within 8 target villages. It achieved 56% under plan (56%,70%) in the target area and it

expected reach plan for next 6 months, Jan-Jun, 2024.

OVI 1.3 - % reproductive age women (# 2123) at 6 remote villages, they got at least TT3 through outreach activities.

133 out of 2,123 WRA got TT3 throughout-reach EPI at 8 target villages during 3rd semester of project implementation at PVH. It achieved 6% compared 5.5% increased (+0.5%) of target

Actual value: 4.71% Expected value: 5.5%

RESULTS OUTPUT 2: Increased knowledge of target population on primary health care and safe motherhood education including communicable/non communicable diseases

#### VOI 2.1 - # Target population (Pregnant women and parents) attended primary health care education

Actual value: Siem Reap: 145, Preah Vihear: N/A Expected value: Siem Reap: 200, Preah Vihear: 250

437 PW accessed to both HC of Yeang and Ta Koeung for ANC at least 4 times to consult and prepare for their delivery plan to ensure about safe delivery with quality midwife or at referral hospital depend on their health related. 104 out of 234 in 8 target villages.

44% of target PW received 4 times of ANC during the reporting

#### OVI 2.3 % Women delivered at HC

Actual value: Siem Reap: 40.31%, Preah Vihear: 89.4% Expected value: Siem Reap: 45%, Preah Vihear: 90%

536 PW delivered babies at 2 HCs of Yeang and Ta Koeung during the reporting period from July 2022- Dec, 2023.

Based on the HC report about 95% of PW delivered babies at HC whist about 5% they still using with TBA. However, HC and project committee to lobby those PW to access for HC service for next time for risk prevention.

# OVI 2.4 - # Target P aware of communicable and non-communicable management

Actual value: Siem Reap: 316, Preah Vihear: N/A Expected value: Siem Reap: 357, Preah Vihear: 350

578 community people (308F) included 5 PW, 27 WRA joint in the awareness raising on communicable and non-communicable diseases organized by project in collaboration with HC staff and VHSG at the respected villages. It achieved over planned 228 people (578 out of 350 targets planned) with the 2 years planned.

# **RESULTS OUTPUT 3:** Reduced Mother and Child malnutrition (underweight and overweight) of vulnerable families through nutrition promotion and access to nutritious food at 5 schools and 16 communities.

# OVI 3.1 - % reduction of underweight children under 5 years

Actual value: Siem Reap: 17.62%, Preah Vihear: N/A Expected value: Siem Reap: 16.18%, Preah Vihear: 32%

Based on the HC report indicated that, 287 out of 550 identified children under 5 years old who have weighted as sample by HC staff during the CGW 5 underweight children that sent to HC for quick treatment whist other 25 children were in under weighted and received counselling through home visit by VHSG and project staff. Otherwise, though promoting of CLN initiative mothers have applied knowledge to cook the nutritious food for those underweight children and provide some vitamin and milk from the project. The result indicated that, report from 2 target villages applied nutritional food feeding and child growth monitoring, the number of 22 out of 81 (27.16%) children aged < 2 years still identified underweight. Among 22 identified underweight children, only 2 severe cases found and sent to HC for treatment, while 20 case just slightly underweight as parents need to take more care on feeding their children with nutritional food.

# OVI 3.2 - # mothers aware and apply good nutrition (over and underweight)

Actual value: Siem Reap: 28, Preah Vihear: N/A Expected value: Siem Reap: 33, Preah Vihea: 200 (100/Year)

195 mothers join in the cooking demonstration. The result showed that, until now 150 mothers out of 195 trained participants have applied knowledge on food making by applying the basic concept related to 3 types of food such as (i) Energy food or Go foods consists in rice, corn, cassava... (ii) Body-buildking food or Grow foods consists in chicken meat, beef, milk, soya bean, grain (iii) protective food or Glow foods consist in cheese, small shrimp and those of product they find their local surrounded their houses and community. It achieved about 75% compared to plan 200 participants for 2 years planned.

# **RESULTS OUTPUT 4:** Enhanced community sanitation and hygiene through better WASH practices at 16 communities and 5 schools

#### OVI 4.1 - % target HH access clean water

Actual value: Siem Reap: 38.4%, Preah Vihear: N/A Expected value: 43%

Based on the reporting from 8 target villages in PVH the result showed that, if we compared to HH who can accessed to clean water in 2022 about 21% (770 HHs out of total 3,597HHs) whist in 2023 the number of HH access to clean water increased to 1.147HHs equals to 32% (out of 3.597HHs). Otherwise, if we compared between 2022 and 2023 it increased about 49% (770HHs to 1,147HHs). It is the good trend of community people who got aware on the advantage of access to clean water for daily use. This happened because of project contribution through awareness raising and the understanding of local people on the primary health care as well as the available of water facilities and availability within the community. It achieved 32% between 2022 to 2023 for the whole households and about 49% if we compared for those households who accessed to clean water in 2022 and 2023 (770-1,147HHs) in 8 target villages of Yeang and Pring Thom communes.

# OVI 4.2 - % target school students practice safe hygiene through hand washing

Actual value: Siem Reap: 73.55%, Preah Vihear: N/A Expected value: Siem Reap: 73.55%, Preah Vihear: 55%

224 participants included 149 females' joint awareness raising. Among them 151 students (80F) and 79 community people (69F). In addition, 151 poor students (80F) of 2 target schools in Tmat Poeuy and Kampenh got sanitation and hygiene materials for using to promote of primary health care for small children. Each student got soap, small tower and washing powder. It was a kind of promotion school hygiene and sanitation particularly for the poor students. Additionally, project also supported contributed a big water tank, capacity of 5000 liters,

water pipe connections, 2 sets of mobile hand-washing stations for Kampenh primary school. The support to this school was due to the school location was rare underground water and cannot dig deep borehole. Likewise, the project has also contributed to improve of handwashing station, latrine, playground and school garden. The project contributed a tank of 2000 liters. 2 sets of mobile hand-washing, water pipe connection supplies, latrine materials and playground materials. The condition of sanitation in these primary school has much improved in term of contributed materials and commitment of school teachers in installing all those facilities to be functioned for children (latrine, hand-washing station, playground, water storage). The reflection result from school teachers, it has proved that the status of student's hygiene up 70% improved and school's latrine functioned. The school teachers also reflected that, there was no case of diarrhea found among students during the reporting period. According to the result of 8 target villages both Yeang and Pring Thom communes indicated that, between 2022 and 2023 number of HHs increased family latrines from 1,318 to 1,515 HHs equals to 15%. Otherwise, if we compared to the total of 3,597 HHs it showed that it increased about 42% (1,515 out of 3,597 HHs). The is good indicator for promoting of ODF initiative. ODF: VOI 4.3 - % target population practice ODF Anyway, among 8 targets villages if we compared by village, we found that 3 villages have good figure on promoting of family Actual value: Siem Reap: 71.53%, Preah Vihear: N/A latrine. 90% of total HHs of Yeang village have latrine followed Expected value: Siem Reap: 100%, Preah Vihear: 45% by Tmat Poeuy and Kampenh with 88% of total HH have latrine whist Korng Yourng village just have only 20% of total 1,609 HHs have latrines. - It achieved about 42% compared to 45% target planned (less than 3%) of total households within 8 villages in PVH for 3rd semester and this result will be achieved as planned in next 6 months. 2 schools got supported contributed a big water tank, capacity OVI 4.4 - # school access to safe drinking water of 5000 liters, water pipe connections at Tmat Peouv and project contributed a tank of 2000 liters to Kampenh primary Actual value: Preah Vihear: N/A school to promote of clean water for using at school level. Expected value: Preah Vihear: 45% Based on the reporting from 8 target villages in PVH the result showed that, if we compared to HH who can accessed to clean OVI 4.5 - % of household (#1256HH) access to water in 2022 about 21% (770 HHs out of total 3,597HHs) whist safe drinking water in 2023 the number of HH access to clean water increased to 1,147HHs equals to 32% (out of 3,597HHs). 32% of total HHs Actual value: Siem Reap: 61.57% accessed to clean water from boiling water, use water filter and Expected value: Siem Reap: 70%

## In Preah Vihear province, the proposed target project participants are summarized below:

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	PW	WRA	CHILDREN < 5Y	SCHOOL STUDENTS	SCHOOL TEACHERS	COMMUNITY PARTNER: HC, VHSG, MSG, CCWC	TOTAL			
DIRECT BENEFICIARIES	234	1,457	1,057 297 (F:144) <b>19 (F:7)</b>		19 (F:7)	60 (F:38)	3,255			
INDIRECT BENEFICIARIES		FAMILY MEMBER OF DIRECT BENEFICIARIES AND OTHER PEOPLE IN OUR FARGET AREAS								

purchase 20 liters from seller in the community for daily use.



Awareness raising on hygiene and sanitation to student and parents



Support water filter to the poor family

#### **MONDULKIRI RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS 2023**

- Financial support for referral of complicate delivery cases from village to HC/RH: In 2023, 2 HCs (Rorveak and Peam Chi Meath) and 1 Koh Nheak hospital got financial support to support to referral complicated delivery cases. This activity helps for the most vulnerable pregnant who need to deliver to give a birth at HC and hospital. During reporting period, 54 complicated cases supported by project.
- Financial support for transportation poor women and support TBAs/VHSGs referral to delivery at HC: The result from 2 HCs of Toul and Rorveak and 1 Koh Nheak hospital reported that, during the project support until the end of December, 2023, there were 20 cases facilitated to referral the poor women by TBAs and VHSGs to HC and hospital.
- Awareness on three groups of nutrition food and demonstrate cooking: There were 11 times of awareness conducted for 11 villages of 3 communes (Norng Khi Leouk, Royar and Or Boun Leu) in Koh Nheak district in collaboration with Health Center staff and VHSGs and there were 384 community people included 358 were females. The result showed that about 75% of participants understood about the process of making nutrition food for daily consumption like the 3 types of food such as (i) Energy food or Go foods consists in rice, corn, cassava... (ii) Body-building foods or Grow foods consists in Chicken meat, beef, milk, soya bean, grain... (iii) Protective foods or Glow foods consists in cheese, snail, shrimp and those of products they can find in their local surrounded their houses and community.
- Awareness on hygiene and sanitation, safe drinking water, and how to use latrine: 11 times of awareness conducted in 11 villages of 3 communes (Norng Khi Leouk, Royar and Or Boun Leu) in Koh Nheak district in collaboration with Health Center staff and VHSGs and there were 350 community people included 270 were females. Based on the result from VHSGs reported that, after joining the awareness community people start to change their behavior to apply with new basic concept such as boiling water, use water filter, cleaning and washing hand before eating. In addition, there were 32% of 4,034 total households equals to 1,271 HHs have latrine whist 2-3 years ago there were only 10-15%. Based on the village report the highest figure of family latrine found in Toul village about 73% out of 109 HHs followed by Or Boun 63% out of 255 HHs whist the lowest found in Kdouy only 4% out of 91 HHs due to that village was the far where community people lack of understanding and need to improve of basic primary health care among 20 target villages.



Financial support to pregnant women who have complicated case to delivery at HC



Awareness on advantage and disadvantage

- Awareness on advantage and disadvantage of vaccination & Awareness on communicable and non-communicable diseases and Awareness raising on immunization and including diarrhea, dehydration, and respiratory infection for children: 6 awareness raising conducted in 6 villages of 2 communes, Norng Khi Leouk and Royar of Koh Nheak district under the facilitation by health centers and VHSGs. There were 180 people included 158 females. From the observation during the awareness, we realized that, community people especially the target group of reproductive and pregnant women improved their knowledge related to the advantage of vaccination and they be able to identify type of communicable disease like Sika, malaria, TB and for non-communicable disease like diabetes and high blood pressure. Besides, they also acknowledge on the advantages of sending their children to health centers or hospital in case prolong of diarrhea, dehydration, and respiratory infection. All these awareness was taking place under the facilitation and coordination between Caritas, PHD/OD and HCs/HPs staff. Thanks for great support for the communities.
- Support medical and non-medical equipment to HC: 2 HCs of Peam Chi Meath and Rorveak got materials support as non-medical equipment to utilize for part of service providing to the community people who access to HC. Those equipment like fetal doppler, Oxygen container, delivery equipment, pregnancy bed check-up, Stair delivery, blood pressure machine, Abortion kits, and some types of hygiene and sanitation materials.
- Provide allowance for HC staffs to conduct outreach EPI programs activities. (Vaccination, consultation with patients, provided Mebendazole for children and provided Iron folic Acid, Mebendazole and Vit. A for pregnant woman): There were 4 times of EPI conducted in 20 villages of 5 communes, Royar, Norng Khi Leouk, Or Boun Leu, and 890 people included 310 PW, 250 WRA and 330 children under 5 years old vaccinated, mebendazole and consultation.
- Covid-19 prevention material: 4 HCs of Rorveak, Peam Chimeath, Koh Nheak and Toul got Covid-19 prevention
  material from the project to use within the HC. Those materials such as Alcohol, face mask, anti-bacteria jell
  and alcohol bottle.
- Training on family food production to family of underweight children/malnourished: 4 different trainings, 2 on chicken raising and 2 on vegetable growing conducted for 85 people included 45 females from 4 villages of Norng Khi Leouk and Sre Huy communes under the facilitation by project staff. Those training provided with basic theory and practical oriented. The result showed that, about 75% of trained participants understood on the how to prepare land, compost & organic fertilizer making, seedling for vegetable growing. For chicken raising they understood on the chicken house construction, chicken feed producing, vaccination & treatment. Additionally, among trained participants 3 farmers be able to share to other farmers in the community with assisting by project staff. Additionally, project also supported to 80HHs whose families have children underweight. Until now, they start to raise chicken and vegetable growing. For chicken raising, 60 HHs they start with 15 hens and 3 rosters with chicken house size 3 meters width and 5 meters length followed by introduced techniques like making chicken feed by using local resource. They expected to produce chicken egg in March, 2023 for their next generation. For vegetable growing 20 HHs start to grow vegetable with an average of 100-150m2 with various types of vegetable like green leaf, water convolvulus, eggplant, cucumber, long bean. Among them 5HHs harvested for daily consumption to make a nutritious food for their household members.
- Campaign on World Breastfeeding week campaign & Conduct nutrition forum: There were 11 different meetings organized by village to raise awareness and promote for world breastfeeding week and nutrition for community people under the facilitation by Health Center staff in collaboration with local authority. As the result, there were 350 people included 270 females' joint event. Additionally, they understood about the advantages of supplement feeding and key messages on the importance of exclusive breastfeeding in the first 6 months of life and continued breastfeeding for the first 1000 days and beyond. Besides, the basic knowledge on nutrition regarding to 3 groups of food also mainstreamed among community people especially for pregnant women and small children.
- Capacity Strengthening / training to communities: One training on Community Led-Nutrition (CLN) has been organized under the facilitation by OD staff and coordinated by Caritas for 12 participants included 8 females invited from health center and VHSGs of 8 villages of 2 communes in Royar and Norng Khileuk at Caritas field office in Koh Nheak district. As the result, the trained participants improved their capacity on (i) The first 1,000 days are from the time a woman becomes pregnant until is two years old. This period is very important for the survival of children and, in addition, for their lifelong growth. (ii) The 3 groups of nutrition food such as energy, building and protective food (iii) and how to look after and take care small children.
- Support wash and water pipe system to vulnerable families: 2 meetings with community people have been facilitated by project to study on the process of water connection for Royar Leu village of Royar commune. The result showed that, 70 households contributed to purchase material for water connection as individual household under the facilitation by VHSG, village chief and project staff.
- Support strengthening the exiting local health system VHSG: 2 quarterly meetings of VHSGs have been organized under the facilitation by project staff for 28 VHSGs included 22 females from 19 villages of 5 communes at Caritas field office in Koh Nheak district. The result of the meeting was focused on the updated of each village on the situation related to health promotion activities such as the advantage of using health center services importantly for pregnant women, encourage and motivate to vaccination based on vaccination schedule for children. During reporting period there were 64 cases of complicated cases and poor women have been referred by VHSGs to HC and hospital.

#### **MAJOR IMPACTS**

#### **Primary Health Care Component**

- Through project intervention we notified that community people aware and access to health centers and hospital for consultation, especially, pregnant women they have accessed to HC for ANC. The result of total of pregnant for ANC accounted about 951 cases whist 1039 pregnant women got hematinic and 719 women got tetanus toxoids and 113 pregnant gave a child at HC and 387 at Koh Nheak hospital. Those result came from the intervention of project and good collaboration and support from VHSGs and local authority according to health center reported by December, 2023.
- Children parents understood about the advantages of vaccination for small children. Refer to HC report in December, 2023, there were 2,674 children got vaccines through outreach EPI both project and government supported.

#### **Nutrition Component**

 Based on the result of household visit and community meeting among trained participants and awareness on nutrition forum and three group of nutritious food and cooking demonstration, the result showed that, about 75% of total participants applied knowledge to cook the nutritious foods for their families.

#### **WASH Component**

- Two solar water pumps installed provided source of water for daily consumption. 2 challenge villages (Kdouy & Royar Leu) have accessed to water. There are 137 households consists of 688 people and Kdouy primary school consists of 80 students benefit from these activities. Thanks for OBOS for this great support.
- Community awareness raising contributed to change their behavior to apply with new basic concept such as boiling water, use water filter, cleaning and washing hand before eating. In addition, there were 32% of total households have latrine whist 2-3 years ago there were only 15-20% have latrine. This result came from the mainstreaming of project among community people.

#### **EVIDENCES (SUCCESS STORY)**

"Advantages of primary health care for remote are: Case study of Mrs. Tat Mok"

Mrs. Tat Mok, 33 years old lives in Sre Chrey village, Norng Khi Leouk commune of Koh Nheak district got married to Mr. Sam Sambath, 33 years old. They have got 3 children included 2 females. Mrs. Tat Mok mentioned about her experience regarding to knowledge and understanding on primary health care that, "Before I never care about my health. During I have pregnant I never go for ANC, vaccination and deliver a baby with TBA in the village for my first and second children. Both of them delivered at home and I rarely accessed to health center for health check-up or consultation."

In January 2023, Caritas expanded it project to Sre Chrey village. At that time, Mrs. Tat Mok also invited by VHSG to join in the awareness raising organized by project on various topic related to primary health care such as communicable and non-communicable diseases, cooking demonstration, advantage and disadvantage of immunization for reproductive women, pregnant women and children under 5 years old and so on. After joining with community awareness, she starts to recognize and understand about the important of primary health care for herself, family and community. She starts access to consult with health center for consultation and did the ANC for her 3rd child and delivered a birth at health center. She applied knowledge on basic hygiene and sanitation such as using latrine, washing hands after using latrines and before eating. Besides, she usually makes a nutritious food by collecting the vegetable around her house for family importantly, regular to meet health center staff based on the appointment for vaccination her children. She noticed that, since she accessed for HC service her family especially her children have good health and rarely get illness as before.

Mrs. Sorn BunSoeurn, Head of Peam Chimeath HC emphasized that, "Based on the observation and HC report, since Caritas project intervened particularly on primary health care promotion, community people start to recognized and acknowledge to HC services and they changed behaviors to adopt new practice such as family plan, understanding on using latrines, access for delivery a baby, look after and take care children by cooking nutritious food, drink boiling water and regular access for vaccination for children according to appointment schedule".

Finally, Mrs. Tat Mok would like to pay gratitude thanks to VHSG, HC staff and Caritas especially to OBOS project for great support to provide knowledge on primary health care for her village and also other villages and she committed to continue to apply this knowledge for primary health care in her family and share among other community people who have not aware on the advantage of accessing health center services.



An activity of Mrs. Tat Mok is feeding nutrition food to her child



An activity of Mrs. Ta Mok is teaching her child how to practice hand washing

#### **DONOR/PARTNER VISIT**

**On 20<sup>th</sup> May 2023,** there are 2 donors: Ana (female), Karolina (female) conducted field visit to project target areas of Kantout health center, Kantout village, Khnar Kroa village and Along Tbal village of Kantout commune, Svay Leu district, Siem Reap province:

#### **ACTIVITIES OF THE VISIT:**

- Had a meeting with 2 health center staffs: Discussed Caritas project activities which cooperate with health center staff, health system, challenges then visited health center for consultation room, EPI room, family planning, ANC room and delivery room.
- Conducted home visit to 2 families of beneficiaries on chicken raising at Kantout village. And one family got latrine materials for underground part at Khnar Kroa village.
- Had a meeting with women group about 15 people: raised some questions related to project implementation to women and VHSG, visited health education by VHSG and project staff, Visited child growth monitoring by VHSG and project staff at Kantout village.
- Visited the family that project team made case study in 2022 at Along Tbal village.
- Visited 2 families who got water jar support / referral supported and one family got chicken supported at Along Tbal village.



Our donor visited the family who received latrine materials supported



Our donors Ana and Karolina from Manus Unidas visited field project





# CENTER FOR CHILD AND ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH (CCAMH)

Caritas Center for Child and Adolescent Mental Health (Caritas - CCAMH), a collaborative project between Caritas Cambodia and Ministry of Health, Royal Government of Cambodia has established as a pioneering organization to provide quality service for children with neuro-psychiatric, developmental and psychosocial disabilities at center, community, school and prison setting.

Caritas - CCAMH has established a one-stop-service for children with developmental disabilities are provided such as: activities for daily living, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, early stimulation, structured teaching and group interventions such as attention and listening group, parent child interaction and trans-disciplinary approach group. Some of the additional services have been provided including assessment, counselling, psycho-education, structured teaching, art therapy and pharmacotherapy. The center also conducts training programs all around the year, the workshops conducted by either the trained staff from Caritas-CCAMH or visiting professionals from various countries.

Caritas - CCAMH team also has implemented community based inclusive development (CBID) in 18 villages at Kampong Cham and Tboung Khmum provinces to establish "inclusive communities" in partnership

with village communities through raising awareness on disability prevention in the entire community (Universal intervention) and work with specific groups such as pregnant and lactating mothers (selective intervention) to prevent micronutrient deficiency that leads to learning difficulties. Promotion of "inclusive development and social inclusion" of all children below the age of six years by identifying families at risk (early identification and intervention) and engaging with them to promote early childhood development and prevention of abuse, abandonment and trafficking secondary to neuro-developmental vulnerabilities.



Center of Child and Adolescent and Mental health (Caritas - CCAMH)

#### 2023 RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS



Client follow-up consultation

During the year 2023, 1,106 children and adolescents (Boys: 805, Girls: 301) registered as new clients and 4,245 received follow-up consultations (Boys: 3,002, Girls: 1,243). The children with neuro-developmental and psychosocial disabilities received quality services.

From out-reach program in 2023, there were 229 new cases (Boys: 161, Girls: 68) and 1,370 follow-up cases (Boys: 918, Girls: 452) with neurological, developmental and psychological problems at Karuna Kompong Chhnang, Battambang and Kampong Cham provinces received clinical services.

#### AT CENTER LEVEL:

#### WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY 2023 AT BATTAMBANG PROVINCE

About 100 participants including parents, caregivers, children with autism and Down syndrome, Karuna Battambang and CCAMH team attended **World Autism Awareness Day** at Catholic Church, Battambang province on 5th April, 23 which organized by Karuna Battambang team. This awareness is to improve the understanding among parents and education authority about helping the children through play, provide opportunities for inclusion, create acceptance and appreciation toward children with autism and other special needs.



Participants attending World Autism Awareness Day 2023 In Battambang province



Playing activity of children, parents, and caregiver in the World Autism Awareness Day at BTB

#### WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY 2023 CELEBRATION AT CCAMH

52 participants including parents and 24 children attended the World Autism Awareness Day for the theme on: "Transformation: Toward a Neuro-Inclusive World for All" which was organized by Caritas - CCAMH team on 11th April. 2023 at Caritas - Center for Child and Adolescent Mental Health (Caritas - CCAMH).



Celebrating World Autism Awareness Day at the Center for Child and Adolescent Mental Health (Caritas - CCAMHH)



Playing activity of children, parents, and therapists in the World Autism Awareness Day at CCAMH

#### NATIONAL WORKSHOP ON 'WORKPLAN DEVELOPMENT TO SUPPORT PERSONS WITH AUTISM'

In April 2023: 90 participants including 8 CCAMH staffs, NGO staffs, officials from relevant ministries of education, youth and sport, social affairs, veterans & youth rehabilitation, vocational skills training and parents of children with autism attended National workshop on "Workplan Development to Support Persons with Autism in Cambodia" was organized in collaboration with ACCESS program. This workshop was discussed on the current situation in awareness of autism in Cambodia and develop future action plan with a focus upon three life course perspectives (Early intervention age, school years and transition from school to adult life) and was facilitated by Prof. Richardi Rose, Professor of Inclusive Education from the University of Northampton, UK and Dr. Sulata Ajit, Director Special Education at Sankalp Learning Centre & Special School, India.



to support persons with autism'



Prof. Richard Rose presents in intertional workshop on 'Workplan development to support persons with autism'

#### SUB-NATIONAL WORKSHOP ON 'WORKPLAN DEVELOPMENT TO SUPPORT PERSONS WITH AUTISM IN CAMBODIA' AT KOMPONG CHAM PROVINCE

On 26th -27th April, 2023: 70 participants including 7 CCAMH staffs, relevant officials from provincial health, education, social affairs, vocational skills training department of Kompong Cham province, health center staffs and district referral hospital staffs of Chamkar Leu and Oreang Ov attended the sub-national workshop on 'Workplan Development to Support Persons with Autism in Cambodia" at Kampong Cham province.





Group discussion in Sub-national workshop on 'Workplan

development to support persons with autism in Cambodia

 WORKSHOP ON 'TRANSITIONING FROM SCHOOL TO EMPLOYMENT OF YOUTHS WITH ASD' AT CARITAS - YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (YDP)

On 28<sup>th</sup> April 23, Caritas - CCAMH and Caritas - Youth Development Program (YDP) had organized a workshop on "Transitioning from school to employment of youths with ASD" - Role of Caritas - YDP as an inclusive training center at Caritas - Youth Development Program (YDP). 34 participants (Male: 17, Female: 17) attended in this workshop. The objectives of this workshop are: to reflect on the current situation of vocational education training education and employment opportunities for young people with ASD & ID in Cambodia and to discuss the plan, strategies and timeline to make Caritas - YDP an inclusive training center.



Workshop on 'Transitioning from school to employment of youths with ASD' at Caritas - YDP



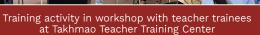
The activities in Workshop on 'Transitioning from school to employmentof youths with ASD' at Caritas - YDP

#### AT SCHOOL LEVEL:

#### WORKSHOP WITH TEACHER TRAINEES AT TAKHMAO TEACHER TRAINING CENTER

On 19<sup>th</sup> September 2023, the workshop was conducted on *"Understanding scholastic challenges, enhancing academic competence"* with 18 teachers (Male: 8, Female: 10) coming from 4 primary schools of Kampong Cham and Tboung Khmum province in collaboration with **Prof. Richard Rose, Professor Emeritus of Inclusive Education from University of Northampton, UK.** 







Group presentation in workshop with teacher trainees at Takhmao Teacher Training Center

The teacher trainees at the Teacher Training Center (TTC) participated in the workshop on "scholastic challenges, enhancing academic competence" which was facilitated by CCAMH team and Prof. Richard Rose, Professor of Inclusive Education from the University of Northampton, UK. Training focused on understanding the root cause of poor academic performance, how to identify, how to offer help in school setting and referral process. 82 teacher trainees at primary and secondary school level (Male: 26, Female: 56) attended the workshop.



Prof. Richard Rose presents in workshop with teacher trainees at Takhmao Teacher Training Center



A group photo in workshop with teacher trainees at Takhmao Teacher Training Center

#### AT COMMUNITY LEVEL:

#### CAPACITY BUILDING OF HEALTH CENTERS STAFF AT KAMPONG CHAM AND TBOUNG KHMUM PROVINCE

On 23<sup>rd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023, Caritas - CCAMH team organized workshop on *"Sharing exposure visit experience of 1000 days care program from India and understanding about RehApp"* for health centers and districts hospital staff at Chamkar Leu Referral Hospital: 14 participants (Male: 8 & Female: 6) and Ou reang Ov district, Tboung Khmum Referral Hospital, Tboung Khmum province: 10 participants (Male: 5 & Female: 5). The purpose of this workshop is to understand about 1000 days care program based on the exposure visit to DHAN Foundation at India and different types of disabilities related information which is accessible on the mobile phone in RehabApp. This RehabApp is used by service providers and fieldworkers doing outreach work and its objectives is to enhance the capacity of service providers, access up-to-date information on different disabilities, assess abilities of the child, design rehabilitation interventions, provide care and support and refer appropriately. This RehabApp is free access and available offline.



The activities of training health centers staffs at district hospitals, Kampong Cham province



The activities of training health centers staffs at district hospitals, KPC

On 10<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> August 2023, Caritas - CCAMH team organized workshop on *"Roles & responsibilities of maternal child health activities, 1000 days care program and prevention of neuro - developmental disorders (NDD) in health center setting"*. This is part of the activities to reinforce the integration of CAMH into the health centers, starting with 1000 days activities at 9 HCs and 2 RHs: 13 participants (Male: 4 & Female: 9) fro m Chamkar Leu district, Kampong Cham province and Ou Reang Ov district, Ou Reang Ov Referral Hospital, Tboung Khmum province: 17 participants (Male: 9 & Female: 8). The purpose of this workshop is to understand the everyday routine roles and responsibilities of maternal child health services, how to improve this maternal child health, integrate 1000 days activities and child mental health services at health centers and referral hospitals setting.



Health center staff workshop at Ou Reang Ov district referral hospital, Tboung Khnum province



Health center staff workshop at Ou Reang Ov district referral hospital, Tboung Khnum province

On 28<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> December 2023, Caritas - CCAMH team organized workshop on "*RehApp use in mobile phone*": 10 participants (Male: 4 & Female: 6) from Chamkar Leu district, Kampong Cham province and Ou Reang Ov district, Ou Reang Ov Referral Hospital, Tboung Khmum province: 7 participants (Male: 3 & Female: 4). The purpose of this workshop is to introduce about RehApp use in mobile phone, how to log-in RehApp use in mobile phone, understand about 15 chapters/topics of disabilities, fill in client files and milestones tracker for children below 5 years old.



CCAMH sharing on Health center staffs training on RehApp use at district hospitals at Kampong Cham



CCAMH sharing on Health center staffs training on RehApp use at district hospitals at Tboung Khmum

#### ACHIEVEMENT OF COMMUNITY BASED INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT (CBID) ACTIVITIES:

#### AWARENESS SESSIONS ON SAFE MOTHERHOOD DURING THE FIRST 1000 DAYS OF LIFE AND PRENATAL HEALTH THROUGH DISTRIBUTION OF IODIZED SALT

In May 2023, the awareness sessions on safe motherhood during the first 1000 days of life and prenatal health through distribution of iodized salt was conducted in 18 villages with 125 people, 57 women who have children under 2 years old and 32 pregnant women attended these sessions. 214 packages of iodized salt were distributed during the awareness sessions. The community team used poster on nutrition from health center, poster on how to make nutritious food-porridge for babies, the information in maternal booklet from health center in regard to a regular check-up at health center to understand on what to do and not to do, the warning signs during pregnancy and after childbirth and CCAMH's brochure of disability prevention (focus on during pregnancy, delivery and after delivery), highlight the importance of attachment and breast feeding.



CCAMH staffs sharing knowledge to mothers in the awareness sessions at the health center



Health center staffs sharing knowledge to mothers in the awareness sessions at the health center

#### AWARENESS RAISING ON CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AT VILLAGES

In June 2023, the awareness sessions on child abuse and domestic violence prevention in 18 villages were conducted with 412 (Male: 199, Female: 213) people and 36 child health messengers. CHMs attended the awareness sessions and shared their experiences about their parents 's parenting styles. They were trained about the type of abuse and its impact on child mental health and physical health. The UNICEF's flipchart on domestic violence and child abuse was used during the awareness sessions. The parents have also learnt about anger management, so it is expected that they will change these behaviors. In addition, it was also discussed about the child labor issue, physical, psychological, sexual and drug abuse and the important of the school attendance.



An activity of awareness raising on child abuse prevention at villages



CCAMH staff sharing knowledge in awareness raising on child abuse prevention in villages to villagers

#### HOME-BASED INTERVENTION ACTIVITY



Home-based intervention activity



Home-based intervention activity in villages

In October and November 2023, the home-based care and intervention activity was conducted for 52 children with disabilities (boys: 27, girls: 25) in 18 villages and 31 parents (Fathers: 4, Mothers: 27), 31 children with disabilities (Boys: 17, Girls: 14) and 13 (Male: 6, Female: 7) volunteers for child development are trained in activities for daily living skills such as eating, toileting, brushing, dressing and attended group play of trans-disciplinary activities including singing a greeting song to improve attention, concentration, play ball to improve gross & fine motor skills, matching of different colours to improve cognition & attention skill, blow bubbles to improve oral-motor skill and explained the parents about this importance of playing these games.

#### WORKSHOP WITH VOLUNTEERS FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT (VCDs)



Workshop with Volunteers for Child Development (VCDs)



Playing activity in Workshop with Volunteers for Child Development (VCDs)

In December 2023, Caritas - CCAMH team organized a full day workshop on ""Empowerment of child's play skill through trans-disciplinary model (TD) activities" for Volunteers for Child Development (VCDs), Chamkar Leu district, Kompong Cham province and Ou Reang Ov district, Tboung Khmum province: 26 participants (Male: 9 & Female: 17). This workshop is to understand about the challenges of each condition/disability (Cerebral palsy, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Down syndrome, Intellectual disability, child's play skill through trans-disciplinary (TD) model activities and reflect on existing resource, creative games to include this trans-disciplinary model into community program.

#### **EVIDENCES (SUCCESS STORY)**

The girl, **Leakhena**, 10 years old studies at 5th grade in a primary school at Kandal province and she is the only child in the middle-class family and now is living with her single mother. Her father was passed away since she was childhood

Her mother brought her here and shared her experience to other parents of having the same problems as her daughter. Before receiving the counselling service from our center, Leakhena had aggressive behavior, easily angry, fear of meeting with many people and does not brave enough.



Leakena's mother took her for a consultation at CCAMH

With this notice about **Leakhena**'s behaviour is different from other children, her mother brought Leakhena to receive the counselling service from the Center for Child and Adolescent Mental Health (Caritas - CCAMH) on 9th August 2022.

After consulting with our therapist and did the assessment to understand about her symptoms for few sessions, we found that Leakhena has emotional problem. So, our team has provided some specific intervention to work individually with Leakhena and cooperate with her mother to support her for better mental health well-being.

With the good cooperation between her mother

and therapist, Leakhena has improved in some behaviors such as having better communication, good performance at school, braver and she can write down about her daily schedule in the given note book every day.

With the smiling face of her mother, she added that "Leakhena has better relationship than before and is able to help some household works" and at the meantime, Leakhena also said that, "I can fold clothes, do fried rice and eggs by myself and in the future I want to work in the bank".

#### **QUOTE OF ONE BENEFICIARY**

**Mengkheang**, 5 years old boy, has 3 siblings and he is 2<sup>nd</sup> child in the family coming from Prey Veng province. When Mengkheang was 3 years and half, his parents brought him to receive the consultation service from the Caritas - CCAMH team on 29th April 2022 with some concerns such as not able to communicate and play with his siblings, could speak few words only, play phone since he was 1 year and often point or pull hand when he wants something. After the therapist met Mengkheang for many sessions, found that he has language delay.

With the effort of parents in spending more times with the child and play, teach him at home which follow the instructions from the therapist and doctor at Caritas - CCAMH include the practice from the manual of parent-child interaction therapy, we found that Mengkheang has developed more such as having better communication than before, could speak more words, could respond when asked and talk to parents when he wants something. Nowadays, Mengkheang is attending at Kindergarten.

"i am very happy that my child is better and i am thankful to the therapist that helps my child. I would like to tell to the other parents that please spend more times with the child and help as much as possible" as said from mengkheang 's father. from a child who could speak few words and now this child could speak more than 3 words and could relate with his parents and siblings.





#### **DONOR/PARTNER VISIT**

#### VISIT OF CARITAS GERMANY MEDIA TEAM





In October 2023, Mr. Fromm Florian and Mr. Philipp, Caritas Germany's public relations mission to CCAMH to make the video and case studies which highlighted the essence of CCAMH team's work, accompaniment with the parents of children with disabilities, school teachers and other NGOs partner a journey of compassion enabling social inclusion for CCAMH fund-raising support program.

#### VISIT OF CARITAS BANGLADESH TEAM

In November 2023, Caritas Bangladesh exchange visit to Caritas Cambodia for sharing good practices and learning from each other, as well as understand the component of the Caritas Cambodia 's inclusion program and for planning of the third phase from 2025 to 2027 which will be incorporated into their ongoing program.



#### WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY CELEBRATION AT ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF PHNOM PENH (RUPP)





Mental Health Day in collaboration with RUPP

World Mental Health Day at RUPP

In October 23, on the occasion of World Mental Health Day in collaboration with Royal University of Phnom Penh (RUPP), we had jointly celebrated this event to display the IEC materials exhibition and were invited as

INTERNATIONAL DISABILITY DAY EVENT CELEBRATION IN COLLABORATION WITH DAC, MOSAVY

expert talk to present the topic on "Gender, Culture, Religion and Media impact on suicide thoughts and



behavior among young people in Cambodia".



New Prime Minister presided over the opening ceremony of International Disability Day

New PM visits CCAMH booth and IEC exhibits at International Day of Persons with Disabilities

In December 23, on the occasion of International Disability Day in collaboration with Disability Action Council (DAC) MoSAVY, we had jointly celebrated this event with 20 children with disabilities along their 21 parents and 10 staffs including 5 social work students participated this event with the presided over new Prime Minister and he visited the IEC materials exhibition booth.





# TAKEO EYE HOSPITAL (TEH)

In 1996 the concept of an eye hospital to train Cambodian doctors and nurses came into being when the Maryknoll - Community Based Rehabilitation Program for the Blind came across numerous patients needing eye treatment. With assistance of the Provincial Health Department, a former TB hospital was renovated into what became the Takeo Eye Hospital (TEH) which received its first patient on 8 February 1997. By 2000 TEH was handed over to Caritas Cambodia, so it's changed to Caritas-Takeo Eye Hospital (CTEH) by 2010 when the inauguration the new hospital building.

The hospital continues to carry out a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Health (MoH) to train doctors and nurses and other personnel to provide eye care services and to develop rural vision centres. The new building of Caritas Takeo Eye Hospital-has 64 beds- was inaugurated on 6 April 2010 by His Majesty King Norodom Sihamoni.

#### VISION

Takeo Eye Hospital is to be an agent in reducing poverty by providing compassionate, quality, tertiary care with efficiently trained staff and equipped with appropriate ophthalmic equipment, instruments and medicines.

#### **MISSION**

To provide quality diagnostic, curative and rehabilitative eye care in order to eliminate preventable and treatable blindness, train eye personnel in provision of quality eye care and conduct research relevant to eye conditions in Cambodia and neighbouring countries.

#### **GOAL**

Quality services with compassion and gentleness is accessible to the patients especially those who are in need.

#### **PART A: STORIES OF CHANGE**

1. Story's Ms Rin Reachny

**HPID:** #2021086361

**Programmed:** Caritas Takeo Eye Hospital, **Location:** Takeo province, Cambodia

**Reachny** is a 7year-old girl with cataract in her left eye. She is the youngest child of Ms. Oak Chanthea and Mr. Rin Theara, a farmer with three children living in Neal village, Preysleuk commune, Traing district, Takeo province. She is in the first grade of Preysleuk Primary School and she is one of the best students in her class and she dreams of becoming a doctor in the future.

She is difficult to see and manage her daily life. Her visual acuity (VA) on the left eye (LE) is hand movement (HM); it means she is able to see only the movement of the hand with in 1 meter distend and her Right eye (RE) is 6/6; it means she is able to see 6 font size from 6 meters distend (Normal vision). She was operated by lend aspiration + IOL on her left eye on 17th May 2023 after the recommendation of the hospital ophthalmologist at Caritas - Takeo Eye Hospital and her parent accepted to allow doctor to do her eye operation under the hospital's subsidy Fund.

So after the operation the result after discharge from the hospital on 18th May 2023 the (VA) on the operation eye was 6/24, it means she is able to see object 24 font size with 6 meters distend. So her vision improves from 1metre hand movement to 6/24. She is able to see much better than before operation. After they leaved from the hospital her parent was very happy with this good result and they acknowledge and thanks to CTEH and partners that brought back their daughter's sight.

After 2 weeks first follow up her right eye was much better, the wound also almost heals and the VA was improved from 6/24 to 6/18 as the normal eye vision and after the 2nd and 3rd of her follow up her eye was completely healing.



Reachny & Thearoth after finish her eye



Post operation eye check up by Dr.Neang Mao

#### 2. Story Ms. Roeum Raksha

**HPID:** #2023057564

**Programmed:** Caritas Takeo Eye Hospital, **Location:** Takeo province, Cambodia

**Raksha** is a 15 years old girl who had traumatic cataracts on her right eye. She lives with the poor family with 7 children at Chong Ang village, Odom Soriya commune, Thram Kak district, Takeo province, she is difficult to see and manage her daily life. Her visual acuity (VA) on the right eye (RE) is hand movement (HM); it means she is able to see only the movement of the hand with in 1 meter distend and her left eye (LE) is 6/6; it means she is able to see 6 font size from 6 meters distend (Normal vision).

She was operated her right eye on 12nd May 2023 after the recommendation of the hospital ophthalmologist at Caritas-Takeo Eye Hospital and her parent accepted to allow doctor to do her eye operation under the hospital's subsidy. So after the operation the result after discharge from the hospital on 13rd May 2023 the VA on the right eye was 6/36 with pin hole, it means she is able to see 36 font size with 6 meters distend. So she is able to see much better than before operation.

After they leaved from the hospital her parent was very happy with this good result and they acknowledge and thanks to CTEH and partners that brought back their daughter's sight. After 2 weeks first follow up her right eye was much better, the wound also almost heals and the VA was improved from 6/36 to 6/18 as the normal eye vision and after the 2nd and 3rd of her follow up her eye was completely healing and the visual acuity are improved to 6/9 is much better as the normal eye vision.





Post operation eye check up by Dr. CHIVAN

#### **PART B: IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS**

#### **B.1 EFFECTIVENESS OF IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS**

Objective 2: To strengthen Takeo Eye Hospital (CTEH) to upscale their capacity to provide essential Community Eye Health services to reduce Avoidable Blindness by December 2023.

#### **B.2 KEY ACHIEVEMENTS**

#### A). TRAINING AND WORKSHOP

#### OPHTHALMOLOGY RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAM

This training is under the umbrella of NPEH (National Program for Eye Health) and the University of Health Sciences (UHS) Phnom Penh. It was upgraded from Basic Eye Doctor (BED) since 2007. The training is delivered by the University of Health Sciences (UHS) that collaborated with RAMATHIBODI Hospital of MAHIDOL University in Thailand, The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists (RANZCO), and the American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO). And the practical training is deliver by 3 local teaching hospitals, such as CARITAS-TAKEO EYE HOSPITAL (CTEH), PREAH ANGDOUNG Hospital, and KHMER-SOVIET FRIENDSHIP Hospital.

In 2023, there were 12 (F: 6, M: 6) students in the batch 15<sup>th</sup> (Year 2) practised training their skill at Caritas-Takeo Eye Hospital. So base on the hospital's statistic 2023. They performed their skill on eye examination at out-patient department, there were 18,908 cases of eye examination about 38.63% of the total out-patient and 1,518 cases of surgeries, it was about 35.13% of the total number of surgery. These results, if we compared with the same period of 2022, there are 142.72% of out-patient and 131.40% of surgeries were increased.

# • DIPLOMA IN OPHTHALMIC NURSE (DON) TRAINING / BACHELOR DEGREE OF OPHTHALMIC NURSE This course is the one-year training curriculum which was upgraded from Basic Eye Nurse course and it was organized by CTEH 1997 until 2005 under the umbrella of Regional Training Centre Kampot (RTCK), National Program for Eye Health (NPEH) and Human Resources Department of Ministry of Health. By 2018 this course was upgraded to Diploma of Ophthalmic Nurse (DON) or Bachelor Degree of Ophthalmic Nurse training, it was handed over to University of Health Science (UHS) to be responsible for this training service, and CTEH still involves on the technical support such as provide the lecturers (Mr.Nol Rothna, Mr.Ken Punlork, and Ms.Pring Kimny) to participate the lecture and other requirement activities for this training.

#### PARTICIPATE TO PROVIDE REFRACTION TRAINING WITH NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR EYE HEALTH

This course conducts to enhance/strengthen the knowledge and skill of ophthalmic nurse/ secondary nurse con refraction to ophthalmic patient with efficiency and safety. This training program is organized by National Program for Eye Health (NPEH) with collaboration of NGOs. So CTEH sent two senior refractionist trainers (Mr. Nol Rathna and Mr.Moul Sereyroth) to provide lecture and demonstrate to trainee on refraction at Khmer Soviet Friendship Hospital.

# • PARTICIPATION OF DOCTORS AND NURSES IN CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME) FOR CAMBODIA OPHTHALMOLOGY SOCIETY (COS)

Base on the pandemic of Covid-19, the Cambodia Ophthalmology Society postponed the 19<sup>th</sup> Conference of Cambodia Ophthalmological Society (COS) and the year of 2022, after the Covid-19, COS was started the 20th Conference of Cambodia Ophthalmological on 18-19th February 2022 at Naga wold Hotel, Phnom Penh, Cambodia. CTEH supported 7 people from the hospital to participate in this important event.

#### **B). STAFF CAPACITY BUILDING**

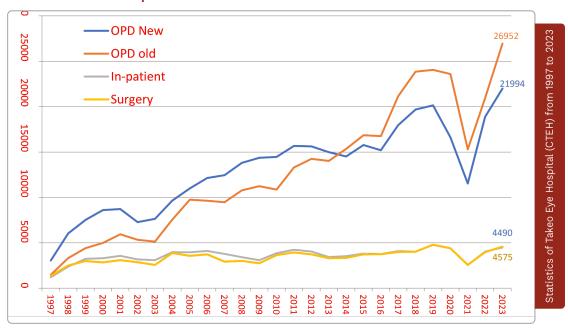
PARTICIPANT	POSITION	SUBJECTS/COURSE	VENUE	DATE
Dr. Sun Bunthoeun	Ophthalmologist	Subspecialty on Retina	KSFH PP	26/02/2022 to 2024
Dr. Leang SamAnn	Ophthalmologist	Glaucoma Sub specialty course	KSFH PP	02/01/2023 to 28/06/2024
Mr. Thea Samnang	Nurse	Short Course FFA	CTEH	01/01/2023 - 31/12/2023
50% of CTEH's staff	All position	Caritas Annual Retreat	SR	13-18/02/2023
MPH. Te Sereybonn	Hospital Director	Annual Financial Review	PP	1-3/03/2023
Ms. Tim Nary	Accountant officer	Annual Financial Review	PP	1-3/03/2023
MPH. Te Sereybonn	Hospital Director	NSSF Training	PP	30/03/2023
MPH. Te Sereybonn	Hospital Director	NPEH Workshop	PP	12/05/2023
Dr. Sun Bunthoeun	Ophthalmologist	Glaucoma talk show	NO PP	24/05/2023
Dr. Vong Chrean	Community Coordinator	Glaucoma talk show	NO PP	24/05/2023
Miss Sun Servlinh	Nurse	Eye Nurse Hand on Training	CTEH	02/05 to 31/07/2023
Chev Sineth	Assistant Nurse	Eye Nurse Hand on Training	CTEH	02/05 to 31/07/2023
Leng Tola	Assistant Nurse	Eye Nurse Hand on Training	CTEH	02/05 to 31/07/2023
Miss Sun Servlinh	Nurse	Eye Nurse Hand on Training	СТЕН	02/05 to 31/07/2023
MPH. Te Sereybonn	Hospital Director	NPEH Workshop	SR	07/06/2023
All staff nurses	Ophthalmic Nurse	Review of Nurse ethic & Law	CTEH	03-07/07/2023
All staff assistant nurses	Assistant Nurses	Review of Nurse ethic & Law	СТЕН	11-14/07/2023
All assistant nurses	Assistant Nurses	Review of Infection Control	CTEH	21-25/08/2023
All cleaner staffs	Cleaner	Review of Infection Control	CTEH	18-22/09/2023
Mrs. Mok Sreyleak	Nurse	Short Course Refraction	CTEH	01/10/2023 to 31/12/2023
Mrs. Chim Thearoth	Nurse	Short Course FFA	CTEH	01/10/2023 to 31/12/2023
MPH. Te Sereybonn	Hospital Director	Caritas MC Meeting	BB	5-6/12/2023
All staffs	All staffs	Annual review of CTEH strategy plan	Kampot Province	22-23/12/2023

# C). SERVICE DELIVERY (HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH BASED) 1. OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (OPD)

There are 48,947 patients (Adult Male: 17,004, Female: 26,772 and Children: Boy 2,899, girl: 2,231) received eye examination at CTEH and there are 22.89% increase, if we compare to last year.

DESCRIPTION	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	ост	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
TOTAL PATIENT IN T	AKEO PF	ROVINCE											24,011
DAUNKEO	200	184	204	164	183	193	178	212	227	339	244	191	2328
ANG.BOREI	82	70	69	89	106	81	78	89	96	101	77	82	938
TRAMKAK	432	416	422	345	377	397	446	518	531	579	441	376	4904
TREANGW	237	210	292	233	244	248	272	278	294	409	235	258	2952
SAMRONG	356	365	343	344	366	384	346	424	416	525	413	350	4282
KIRIVONG	128	131	129	130	196	158	158	162	137	127	124	135	1580
KOH ANDET	64	64	59	64	66	108	90	98	86	115	80	78	894
P.KABAS	154	178	206	159	152	167	174	213	259	256	189	201	2107
B.JULSA	24	20	32	30	53	53	40	35	26	27	27	22	367
BATI	307	312	346	302	316	293	309	418	401	386	269	306	3659
TOTAL PATIENT FRO	M KAMP	OT PRO	/INCE										5,497
снноик	110	100	108	102	112	94	117	135	148	127	105	112	1370
ANGKOCHEY	91	91	88	101	110	111	108	143	119	136	91	91	1280
OTHER	222	229	260	236	253	245	224	278	267	243	188	202	2847
TOTAL PATIENT FRO	M KAMP	ONG SP	EU PROV	INCE									4,785
BASET	204	157	190	153	199	180	166	209	187	228	147	135	2155
KONGPISEI	117	151	133	108	144	116	141	149	143	143	112	123	1580
OTHER	69	91	93	82	85	89	107	118	128	61	60	67	1050
TOTAL PATIENT FRO	TOTAL PATIENT FROM OTHER PROVINCES												12,654
PHNOM PENH	154	172	157	125	190	195	198	200	196	143	145	169	2044
KANDAL	424	396	361	326	477	425	484	582	587	518	373	392	5345
KG.CHAM	66	49	39	43	63	71	53	70	68	51	43	62	678
PREY VENG	42	54	76	40	58	46	61	75	65	54	44	72	687
KRATIE	24	23	31	29	50	33	22	29	16	18	22	32	329
PREAH SIHANOUK	47	49	46	36	62	57	57	44	33	48	65	43	587
ка. тном	16	13	13	14	12	12	19	21	30	27	21	17	215
KG. CHHNANG	15	15	14	9	21	21	20	35	15	6	12	7	190
PURSAT	15	19	20	20	28	30	20	20	29	28	18	13	260
BATTAMBANG	36	40	31	40	24	20	24	23	20	13	26	13	310
SVAY RIENG	39	32	26	19	33	27	10	35	17	18	19	22	297
SIEM REAP	19	14	9	9	15	7	5	11	9	23	13	11	145
STUNG TRENG	5	6	3	11	11	11	2	3	3	7	9	6	77
MONDULKIRI	8	5	4	3	5	4	2	3	2	2	1	2	41
кон коng	35	44	24	31	56	25	29	28	40	38	28	34	412
PREAH VIHEA	16	3	8	5	12	12	16	8	7	10	4	2	103
RATANAKIRI	25	8	3	17	22	9	7	14	9	5	13	13	145
B.MEANCHEY	13	21	7	9	18	24	9	9	9	13	27	21	180
O. MEANCHEY	3	8	3	2	7	6	2	9	7	6	8	8	69
KEB	16	14	17	12	16	14	24	29	30	22	14	12	220
PAILIN	2	3	1	2	0	2	1	1	2	2	0	4	20
TBOUNG KHMUM	21	21	23	20	47	31	17	30	32	24	13	21	300
TOTAL	3838	3778	3890	3464	4189	3999	4036	4758	4691	4878	3720	3705	46,947

- The progress chart of patients who have come to receive services in hospitals from the start to the present:



#### 2. IN-PATIENT DEPARTMENT (IPD)

There are 4,490 patients (Adult Male: 1,674, Female: 2,706 and Children: Boy: 59, Girl: 51) were admitted at CTEH in the whole year of 2023. This data if we compare with the same period of 2022 there are 11.25% increase.

NEW INDATIENT (MODD)	CHILDE	REN (0-14)	AE	OULT	TOTAL
NEW INPATIENT (WORD)	воу	GIRL	М	F	TOTAL
CATARACT	13	11	1,257	2,112	3,393
PTERYGIUM	0	0	124	287	411
TRACHOMA	0	0	3	1	4
GLAUCOMA	1	1	60	84	146
CORNEAL ULCER	0	1	33	27	61
INJURY	1	2	5	2	10
OTHER EYE DISEASES	44	36	192	193	465
TOTAL	59	51	1,674	2,706	4,490

#### 3. EYE OPERATION/SURGERY

There are 4,575 cases (Adult Male: 1,680, Female: 2,799 and Children M:47, F:49) operated at CTEH and there are 15.27% increase if we compare to the same period of 2022.

EYE OPERATIONS PERFORMED	CHILDR	REN (0-14)	AD	TOTAL	
EYE OPERATIONS PERFORMED	воу	GIRL	M	F	TOTAL
CATARACT EXTRACTIONS WITHOUT IOL	1	3	16	16	36
CATARACT EXTRACTIONS WITH IOL	7	9	12	9	37
SICS/PHACO	4	1	1,260	2,105	3,370
PTERYGIUM	0	0	173	433	606
GLAUCOMA OPERATIONS	0	0	32	46	78

TRICHIASIS OPERATIONS	1	0	7	7	15
LID WOUND REPAIR	1	1	10	5	17
OTHER MAJOR EYE OPERATIONS	16	13	145	138	312
OTHER MINOR EYE OPERATIONS	17	22	25	40	104
TOTAL	47	49	1,680	2,799	4,575

#### 4. CATARACT OUTCOME MONITORING

• Visual Acuity in the operated eye pre-operation, at discharge and follow-up

DESCRIPTION	ADMISSION		1ST FOLLOW-UP (1-3 WEEKS)		2ND FOLL (4-11 WE		3RD FOLLOW-UP (12+ WEEKS)		
	Pro-op	Discharge	Presenting	Best	Presenting	Best	Presenting	Best	
6/6 - 6/18 *	5.1%	40.4%	50.9%	71.0%	54.5%	74.8%	58.9%	77.5%	
<6/18 - 6/60 **	19.9%	51.0%	43.8%	23.7%	40.5%	20.2%	38.4%	19.8%	
<6/60 ***	75.0%	75.0% 8.6%		5.3%	5.0%	5.0%	2.8%	2.8%	

#### • Visual Acuity in the better eye pre-operation, at discharge and follow-up

DESCRIPTION	ADMISSION		1ST FOLLOW-UP (1-3 WEEKS)		2ND FOLL (4-11 WE		3RD FOLLOW-UP (12+ WEEKS)		
	Pro-op	Discharge	Presenting	Best	Presenting	Best	Presenting	Best	
6/6 - 6/18 *	45.1%	74.8%	67.6%	79.7%	68.3%	81.6%	73.1%	84.2%	
<6/18 - 6/60 **	23.4%	21.2%	29.6%	17.5%	29.0%	15.7%	25.3%	14.2%	
<6/60 ***	31.5%	31.5% 4.0%		2.8%	2.7%	2.7%	1.6%	1.6%	

#### • Proportion of good/borderline/poor outcome by follow-up (Presenting VA)

PATIENT FOLLOW-UP	GOOD VA	BORDERLINE VA	POOR VA	MISSING FOL- LOW-UP
Discharge	40.4%	51.0%	8.6%	0.0%
1st follow-up (1-3 weeks)	50.9%	43.8%	5.3%	36.4%
2nd follow-up (4-11 weeks)	54.5%	40.5%	5.0%	53.7%
3rd follow-up (12+ weeks)	58.9%	38.4%	2.8%	78.2%
<u>WHO norm:</u>	<u>&gt;80%</u>	<u>&lt;15%</u>	<u>&lt;5%</u>	

#### Operative complication

KIND OF COMPLICATION	2022	2023
VITREOUS LOSS	0.2%	1.1%
CAPSULE RUPTURE WITHOUT VITREOUS LOSS	0.1%	0.0%
ZONULAR DEHISCENCE	0.0%	0.0%
RETAINED LENS MATTER	0.0%	0.0%
STRIATE KERATOPATHY	0.5%	1.2%
WOUND LEAK	0.0%	0.0%
ENDOPHTHALMITIS	0.0%	0.1%
OTHERS COMPLICATIONS	1.2%	2.7%
<u>TOTAL</u>	2.0%	<u>5.1%</u>

#### 5. REFRACTION AND OPTICAL SHOP SERVICES

REFRACTION SERVICES	CHILDRI	EN (0-14)	AD	TOTAL	
REFRACTION SERVICES	воу	GIRL	M	F	IOIAL
# OF REFRACTION	142	196	3020	5809	9,167
# OF PATIENT PRESCRIBED	102	150	2163	4197	6,612
# OF SPECTACLE READYMADE DISPENSED	12	16	356	470	854
# OF SPECTACLE CUSTOMER MADE DISPENSED	127	171	969	1825	3,092
TOTAL SPECTACLE DISPENSED	139	187	1325	2295	3,946
# OF PLANNO GLASSES DISPENSED	148	118	1029	2450	3,745
# OF SUNGLASSES DISPENSED	47	29	1241	2190	3,507

9,167 total number of refractions 13.06% increase from last year, 6,612 spectacles prescribed 8.91% increase from last year, and 3,946 spectacles dispensed 2.30% decrease from last year.

#### 6. COMMUNITY OPHTHALMOLOGY (OUTREACH EYE SCREENING)

During the endemic of Covid-19 our hospital management team have decided to postpone since the last quarter of 2021 and they planned to restart this activity on 2023, so base on the hospital's statistic the number of eye screening in the community as the following:

#### • Screening Patient at the community

	DIAGNOSIS		CHILDREN 0-4		CHILDREN 5-14		ADULT 15-49		ULT =50	GRAND TOTAL	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
1	CATARACT	0	0	0	0	10	9	152	302	473	
2	PTERYGIUM	0	0	0	0	18	24	35	77	154	
3	TRICHIASIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4	GLAUCOMA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	
5	REFRACTIVE ERROR	0	0	1	1	3	7	1	1	14	
6	NORMAL EYE	0	0	2	0	3	5	2	0	12	
7	OTHER EYE DISEASES	5	2	9	3	63	107	118	165	472	
	TOTAL	5	2	12	4	97	152	308	546	1126	

#### • Referred patient to Caritas-Takeo Eye Hospital

	DIAGNOSIS		CHILDREN 0-4		CHILDREN 5-14		ADULT 15-49		ULT 50	GRAND TOTAL
		М	F	M	F	М	F	М	F	
1	1 CATARACT	0	0	0	0	2	6	94	181	283
2	2 PTERYGIUM	0	0	0	0	2	0	5	16	23
3	3 TRICHIASIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	4 GLAUCOMA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Ę	REFRACTIVE ERROR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	OTHER EYE DISEASES	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	6	12
	TOTAL	0	0	0	0	5	8	102	204	319

#### Patients arrived Caritas-Takeo Eye Hospital

DIAGNOSIS			CHILDREN 0-4		CHILDREN 5-14		ADULT 15-49		ULT :50	GRAND TOTAL
		M	F	M	F	М	F	M	F	
1	CATARACT	0	0	0	0	0	1	14	16	31
2	PTERYGIUM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	TRICHIASIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	GLAUCOMA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	REFRACTIVE ERROR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	OTHER EYE DISEASES	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
		0	0	0	0	0	1	15	18	34

#### 7. LOW VISION SERVICES

In collaboration with Krousar Thmey (KT) and Eye Units by provide basic low vision training to refractionist of eye units at target area of KT such as Phnom Penh Thmey blind school, Kampot blind school, Seim Reap, Tboung Khmum, Battambong, Siem Reap and Neak Loeung Eye Unit) with providing clinical low vision assessment. Mrs.Pring Kimny, Specialist low vision and the CTEH team follow up visited the target areas such as Phnom Penh Thmey special blind school and Kampong Cham Blind School. (Because the endemic of Covid-19 we postpone for this project) but at hospital base are still continue as normal. Below is the statistic low vision service for the whole year of 2023.

DESCRIPTIONS	1-4 Y	4 YEARS 5-14 YEARS		15-49 YEARS		<= 50 YEARS		TOTAL			
	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	М	F	TOTAL
APHASIA	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	2
ASTIGMATISM	0	0	2	8	3	3	0	3	5	14	19
HYPEROPIA	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	4
MYOPIA	0	0	5	3	3	3	2	0	10	6	16
PSEUDOPHAKAK	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	0	0	12	12	7	7	2	3	21	21	42

#### D). WOLD SIGHT DAY EVENT

CTEH is a member of the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB) is the overarching alliance for the global eye health sector, with more than 150 organisations in over 100 countries working together for the world where everyone has universal access to eye care. So, every year we always participate to celebrated the World Sight Day (WSD) event. It is an international day of awareness, held annually on the second week of October to focus attention on the global issue of eye health.



The global eye health awareness in promoting the understanding the great value of preventing their visions in the workplaces to encourage employers and leaders to be strictly payed attention on their employees' vision. Even thought, promoting everyone in the world to have equal chance in participating for universal eye health awareness and prevention for their members, colleagues, friends and whole community to be utilized eye care services. In the global dissemination and promotion for sight awareness, worldwide organizing the global World Sight Day on October 12, 2023 with essential theme "LOVE YOUR EYE AT WORK" is to emphasize on the world's attention on the important eye care in the workplaces. To get involving in eradicating the prevalence of blindness and continuing to deeply expand a particular eye health information in whole communities in Takeo Province as Cambodia widely, so Caritas-Takeo Eye Hospital (CTEH) organized the World Sight Day (WSD) on October 10-11, 2023 in its hospital, Takeo Province with various involvement of stakeholders, partners, patients and families around thousand people received special messages.

Prior to organizing this event for free services of charge within two days, widely announced and disseminated special messages regarding eye health awareness and important sight prevention through social medias (Face Book, Telegram and local radio), group of targets, stakeholder, partners at least two weeks before event especially informed and educated patients included families who were utilizing services in the hospital to spread this information to others in their communities for participating and accessing this special eye care service. There mechanism approaches to achieving eye consultation targeted 600 patients and eye surgery 150 cases for servicing eye care within two days accordingly.

In the day of this special event, prior to being registered for processing further eye examination and started event, crowded patients with families were conceivably sat in row and simply messaged regarding eye care attention and utilizing professional eye care service whenever there is any eye problem somehow. The honor delegations of this event were MPH. Te Serey bonn, Hospital Director, gave a special message to audiences about the theme of event and explained the meaning of its theme regarding "Eyes are very important at your workplaces, please find profession eye services to have a sight test and promote others to do the same accordingly". Ms. Mon Ratana, Director of Women Affair, presented about right to sight of women, especially eye care services, Mr. Kim Rattana, Executive Director of Caritas Cambodia, briefed about cooperation with Cambodia Government and supports eye health program and Dr. Nha Sithan, Deputy Director of Provincial Health Department, expressed on eye health in healthcare system in Takeo province which is supported and run by Takeo Provincial Health Department. His Excellency Yang Sovathana, Deputy Governor of Takeo Province, outlined the government's commitment to participate and support, including the opening ceremony.



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Ms. MON RATTANA
Director of Woman Affairs

After fully free service of charged for two days during the event undertaken the high commitment of staff, stakeholders and partners, 606 patients were received eye examination (6.93% children 0-14 years old and 57.92% are women) and 65 patients were received eye surgeries and the rest 69 patients were appointed to have eyes surgery in the next following days. So the eye consultation was over a bit achieving targeted, but actual eye surgery was lower than targeted (134patients vs Targeted 150 patients) due to some of patients rejected to have their eyes surgery before Pchum Pen festival cerebration (Khmer traditional culture).

By taking this opportunity, we would like to profoundly thanks to all sponsors contributed to support this event such as National Program for Eye Health, Provincial Health Department of Takeo, Women Affaire Department of Takeo, National Social Security Fund (NSSF), Dunkeo Operational District, Caritas Cambodia, SEVA Foundation, Japan Hart and Hikarikanata Foundation, Daughters of Charity Cambodia, Takeo Ice Factory, ASHFORD LABORATORIES LTD,DP Pharma Co., LTD, Siheng Photocopy and Printing, DKSH (Cambodia) Ltd, Essilor (Cambodia) Ltd, Universal Healthcare Ltd, Care group Cambodia, , Advance Healthcare Co,Ltd, DKSH/NVS-Alcon, Pharma, Biomax International Co., Ltd, ACLEDA Bank Takeo branch, Fr.John Barth and Dr.David Barr Charity Found, Dr.Sarun Pharma Co., Ltd, LTD, Visioncare Corporation Ltd, VI Phop Pharmacie, Advance Healthcare Co., Ltd, Blue Star Optics, Essilor Cambodia, Mr. Din Sophea, and other charities who contributed through the CTEH's website page.

#### **E). DISASTER RELIEF**

In addition to eye care services, CTEH has partnered with Caritas Cambodia and other partners to meet the needs of people affected by the disaster in Takeo, so this year our program has partnered with Caritas National Office. Local authorities and the Cambodian Red Cross to provide tents, mosquito nets, blankets and rice to 487 families affected by typhoons and lightning in Udom Sorya and Popel communes, Tram Kak district, Takeo province.

 Distribution of Charity Donation of Caritas Cambodia and Cambodian Red Cross with HE Governor to victims affected by Typhoon and lightning on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at Popel and Udom Sorya communes, Tram Kak district, Takeo province.



Distribution of Charity Donation of Caritas Cambodia and Cambodian Red Cross



Cambodian Red Cross delegates presided over Charity Donation



victims affected by Typhoon and lightning on 15th April 2023 at Tram Kak district, Takeo province



A group photos of Caritas Cambodia, Takeo Eyes Hospital staffs and local authorities

#### PART C: PROJECT QUALITY AND SUSTAINABILITY

#### 1. SUPPORT OF THE PROJECT FROM THE TARGET COUNTRY

A short review and analysis of the annual statistic from last year and this year illustrates that the volume of accessing eye care services is higher than last year because of Covid-19 pandemic that affected to all sectors are decrease gradually from month to month until the normal situation as present, but our hospital still influence of new innovation approaches stated in above objective to strengthen quality of comprehensive eye care services of CTEH to be sustainable and responsible for needs of people with or without eye problem. Anyways, the daily patient flow management including technical knowledge and skill of staff especially Phaco emulsification and SICS cataract surgery, strabismus, retina, glaucoma and others surgeries, and refraction and low vision service are also improved to fulfil of patient's satisfaction; even the Covid-19 pandemic is a major barrier of increasing the hospital's annual income, but we still commit to continue our journey with the concreted plan.

Regarding to the network and collaboration from top to grassroots level of government so far is much improves. CTEH works closely with partners together to achieve the main goal of vision 2020 in order to reduce avoidable blindness, especially we achieved a five year (2016- 2020) strategic plan of National Program for Eye Health that is a road map for all partners to go forward for the continuing journey and also on the process to participate review and develop the new strategic plan 2021-2030 of National Program for Eye Health

#### 2. OWNERSHIP OF THE PROJECT BY THE BENEFICIARIES

The services are accessible to the patients especially to those who are screened in remote villages. The patients have undertaken the eye operations thus improving the quality of their life, they can help themselves and also help to improve the socio-economic situation of the family and regain the dignity to live a life as an independent person.

Most of people with eye problems especially poor and vulnerable people could access eye care service confidentially under eye subsidy service and appropriate eye care facility to adapt for people with disabilities to access it anyways. System of eye care service of CTEH is not complicated and offered for all and does not discriminate poor, rich or people with disabilities. The family of the patients who have undertaken the needed eye operation and other people in the community aware of eye health and eye care services. The most indirectly benefiting from eye care service is their families of patients that they have enough time to do small business and do not spend time to take care their member with eye problems anymore. Health care system is also indirectly benefiting too because it helps to complete package of health care service in whole province to respond the needs of population and increase availabilities of health facilities in community where poor or vulnerable people could easy to access it accordingly. Partners and local authorities are also benefited too because all people have a good health and good life to involve in developmental plan in their communities.

#### 3. SOCIAL AND CULTURAL FACTORS

Based on feedback of community team, there are some changes toward cultural resistance of people in rural areas regarding healthcare issues especially eye health- most people with eye problems spend time in accessing eye care services from mobile eye screenings in communities and hospital. A high percentage of those accessing services are women because most of them are working in the field without using sunglasses protection and the lack of any protection during harvester season is more likely causing to cataract and abrasion to their eyes. However, they are still afraid or hesitate to get eye treatment or operation by professional service somehow. Some school teachers and volunteers have been trained on primary eye care to promote community awareness to be well known on eye care and eye prevention. So, some of them are referred or have searched by themselves for eye care services after receiving information on eye health in community accordingly.

#### 4. GENDER EQUALITY

Cambodia is significantly higher in females than males (prevalence of blindness on the people age over 50 years old in Takeo Province: female =3.4%, male=1.73%). 59.40% of female patients are slightly higher than the male patient (RAAB 2017 at Takeo province). Additionally, 60.03% of all cataract surgeries performed on female patients. CTEH has playground equipment for children and a child friendly examination room, which aims to encourage women (who are mostly the primary child care givers in Cambodia) to be able to come

to CTEH and know that their children are welcomed and will have something to occupy them. In order to encourage the recognition of women CTEH participate to celebrates International Women's Day (8 March) and provides gender, disability, and children sensitivity training and set up in CTEH management system to implement as a routine work with eye care services of CTEH and we regular conducted the review of implementation every year with advocate to partners.

A major challenge that CTEH faces with regards to gender inclusiveness is in human resources. While we hold management of CTEH, thus ensuring there is a balanced gender perspective in the decision-making process; there is still a distinct lack of local female staff in upper management and professional medical positions. This is very much a reflection of Khmer culture as males are favoured more in providing educational/career opportunities. Similarly, CTEH must rely on the government to select nurses/doctors to attend training courses and CTEH has no input in that selection process. However, the numbers of female trainees are still limited since most students at nursing technical schools are male. It should also be noted that CTEH's financial manager, Ward and OPD manager and 45% of CTEH staffs are women; the hospital has just established a women group to raise the issue from and deal all problems which happened in the hospital so far.

#### **5. SUITABLE TECHNOLOGY**

To achieve the results and objectives of the CTEH, so the hospital management team that always considers on sustainability by updating high technology for services delivery such as medical equipment (Operating microscope, Phaco machine, Laser machines, OCT, ect.) and establish Health Information Management System (HIMS) for monitor all operations and easy to retrieve data for using to conduct survey or research in case the need of hospital or partners. CTEH developed health information system that covers all patients' data, income from patients and inventory system. This system is linkage to all departments, so Administrative Manager can check daily report that fill in by each department on consultation, surgery, income and stock and then report program director for indicating, monitoring and assessing program of CTEH. Caritas Cambodia and CTEH keeps providing Monthly Financial Report, Quarterly Narrative Reports, Annual Program Report, and Financial Program Report to relevant stakeholders in needs.

#### 6. IMPACTS ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Regarding to environment, CTEH has always considered to save the environment such as collect and use rain water during raining season, use solar energy to save electricity power, use New Lao stove for patient cooks their food, encourage and promote staff and our guest to plant trees and garden around the hospital, promote waste segregation (hospital infection control), and management of wastewater (Septic tank, Centralize Reed Beet system) so the impact of the implementation is:

#### **6.1. IMPACTS ON THE ENVIRONMENT**

	POSITIVE IMPACT		NEGATIVE IMPACT
•	Save energy (electricity) Reduce cost to pay for water from the town Save natural resource	•	If not properly maintenance /clean the system can cause infection disease. Costly to install system

#### **6.2. USE SOLAR ENERGY**

POSITIVE IMPACT	NEGATIVE IMPACT
<ul> <li>Save energy (electricity)</li> <li>Reduce cost to pay for electricity from the town</li> <li>Save natural resource</li> </ul>	Costly to install system and maintain

#### 6.3. NEW LAO STOVE (NLS)

POSITIVE IMPACT	NEGATIVE IMPACT
<ul> <li>Save resource (food, charcoal)</li> <li>Reduce CO2 emission</li> <li>Practical for patient (easy for them tousebecause they get use with this similar style in their home)</li> <li>Save cost</li> </ul>	Difficult to clean and maintain

#### 6.4. PLANT TREES AND FLOWER AROUND THE HOSPITAL

POSITIVE IMPACT	NEGATIVE IMPACT
<ul> <li>Keep surrounding the hospital beautiful and shadow</li> <li>Protect earth from heat of sun</li> <li>Protect strong win</li> <li>Keep balance of environment (not more hot or more cold)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Costly during dry season (watering)</li> <li>Difficult to gross (plant 500 trees and flower only 250 difficult to survive)</li> </ul>

#### **6.5. PROMOTE WASTE SEGREGATION (HOSPITAL INFECTION CONTROL)**

POSITIVE IMPACT	NEGATIVE IMPACT
<ul> <li>Surrounding the hospital is clean</li> <li>Patient aware about hygiene and keep their wastes in proper place that hospital's set up.</li> <li>Reduce pollution and hospital contamination</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Costly</li> <li>Take time to change the attitude and behaviour of patients and their carriers.</li> </ul>

#### **6.6. MANAGEMENT OF WASTEWATER (SEPTIC TANK, REED BEET SYSTEM)**

	POSITIVE IMPACT	NEGATIVE IMPACT
•	Reduce wastewater discharge to the rice field and natural resource. People can plant the rice surrounding the place. Reduce pollution	<ul><li>Negative ImpactW</li><li>Costly to install and maintain</li></ul>

By the way, environment education in the hospital is daily conducted to promote patient and staff to be involved in environment impact to our planet by keeping a green garden and continuing to plant trees surrounding the hospital and home as possible.

#### 7. ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL VIABILITY OF THE PROJECT

CTEH has 68 local staff and 22 of them are government staff designated to work at CTEH. Most of them will stay at CTEH since they are from Takeo except for some who might move to Phnom Penh due to more lucrative offers or opportunities given by other NGOs or private clinic. Additionally, the Provincial Health Department provides support with CTEH's electricity and water supply. Quality of service is also crucial, as this will convince patients and other stakeholders of the government to use and feel responsible for the service.

However, without adequate payment to staff, CTEH understands that human resources will not improve. Therefore, to help retain staff, CTEH keep hiring qualified staff that have family who resident in Takeo. Staff are given opportunities such scholarships to improve their educational level, training outside the country to develop special services depend on funding is available-income from the contribution of the patients and subsidy fund from donors – and increasing in salary to reflect good work performance.

Cost recovery is also a strategy aimed to aid sustainability. Last few year CTEH had only 3 beds reserved for full fee-paying patients, but currently update the procedure of cataract operation and optical shop and the VIP and the weekend services we expand some more beds for paying patient, so the situation of paying capacity is gradually improving year by year, but unfortunately in the last two years (2020 was 2.52% and 2021 was 17.99% decreased).

But this year after the pandemic of Covid-19 and the new set up VIP and weekend services our income was started to increase 17.95% compare to 2022.

#### This table is a comparison of the income from the patient contribution:

	DECODINE ON	2022		2023		DIFFERENCE		
	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	%	AMOUNT	%	AMOUNT	%	
1	Out-patient services	60,843.00	6.14%	72,987.00	6.25%	12,144.00	6.83%	
2	In-patient services	580,955.85	58.67%	673,365.75	57.65%	92,409.90		
3	Pharmacy/Medicine	177,519.90	17.93%	187,059.73	16.02%	9,539.83	5.37%	
4	Optical Shop/Spectacle	163,057.80	16.47%	226,029.08	19.35%	62,971.28	35.43%	
5	Other	7,888.00	0.80%	8,540.50	0.73%	652.50	0.37%	
	TOTAL	990,264.55	100%	\$1,167,982.05	100%	\$ 177,717.50	100%	

#### 8. MANAGEMENT AND COORDINATION

CTEH provides eye care services and improves community awareness in Takeo province, so CTEH has a good partnership with Takeo Provincial Health Department (TPHD) and local governor.

National Office of Caritas Cambodia is a centre for all regional programs. It provides assistance and facilitation to enable program go smoothly with budget control system and budget transferring for each regional program. However, each regional has its own accountant to control and monitor budget flow of each program. All operational expense will be checked and clarified by regional accountant prior to send to National Office. This system will enable project implementation go on budget line with transparency.

At regional level, Director is responsible for directing project guideline to achieve objectives. In case of unexpected factors occurring to hinder the project, consultant team which consists of coordinator, program manager, program officer, Admin/Accountant come together to discuss and find appropriate solution to push the project going ahead in the right direction. Program director is directly responsible for the whole project. Operational staff working directly with beneficiaries and got equal opportunity to attend training course related to their working field.

Financial management is conducted in place with proper controlling by CARITAS and CTEH of financial department. Executive Director supervises all budget expense under guideline and policy of National Office for Caritas Cambodia to ensure accurate budget utilization. National Office team conducts regular monitoring activities to monitor & evaluate budget management of each program.

#### 9. SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGIES

CTEH has a sustainability strategic plan in making service satisfaction to beneficiaries and good linkage with stakeholder and partners for long term supports especially Provincial Health Department (PHD) has supported CTEH's electricity, water supply, and medical staff. CTEH has 68 local staff and 22 of them are government staff designated to work at CTEH.

Staff retention due to more lucrative opportunities in Phnom Penh is a challenge, however CTEH ensures a sustainable approach to staffing by hiring qualified staff with family in Takeo where possible, as well as opportunities for scholarships, extra training, and where funding is available salary increases to reflect good work performance.

Cambodia has a shortage of qualified and well-trained staff in the field of ophthalmology, health administration, community-based rehabilitation etc, so CTEH has involved with national plan to contribute its skill to doctor and nurse as trainee each year.

The localisation an dintegration of CTEH's management into Caritas Cambodia has continued to be a major focus since 2012. A fully localised team has managed the program since June 2011. The program is become fully integrated into the Caritas management system in 2013, so it's a challenge for Caritas to be found suitable funding for future activities.

#### **PART D: LESSON LEARNS**

The quantity of consultation and operation were increased if compared to same period in last year. The staff are informed and encouraged to work as a team to develop other means to capture more patients, like linkages with more NGOs and reaching out to Caritas Cambodia areas of development services.

The process of integrating CTEH financial into Caritas Cambodia financial system is on-going. Both staff of Caritas Cambodia and CTEH are learning the process of integration and developing financial system to improve the services.

Promoted rights of people with disabilities to have more opportunity in accessing public service provisions and strengthen the referral networking with the partner.

Most of patient come to get eye care services at CTEH are poor, but paying patients are also increasing, so CTEH continues to conduct the public eye health education and eye care awareness to people in the target areas.

Attend the monthly Pro-Technical Health Working Group (Pro-THWG) to discuss the health issues in Takeo Province. The attendance will also direct to motivate PHD to promote and advocate the need supplies and personnel of CTEH in MoH.

Attend the quarterly Caritas Manage Committee Meeting to discuss the management of each project. CTEH participation in the Caritas Cambodia management meeting which is a place to present current situation and problem to be solved among team.

Financial deficit due to no donors to support, so that is a main difficult issue is to achieve project objective through time frame.

Continue to use the existing system of the health care of the country and develop the referral system from health centre to the referral hospital and CTEH.

Experience worked partnership with Aravind Eye Hospital that is a well-known institution in Madurai, India.

Experience work partnership with Takeo Provincial Health Department, all operational districts (ODs), and Local community to integrate the primary eye care (PEC) in the health centre activities.

Experience worked with National Social Security Fund (NSSF) since March, 2018 on the agreement of providing eye care services to the client of NSSF such as civil servant, worker, and employer.

Experience worked partnership with Civil Society Alliance Forum (CSAF) and Shenzhen Foundation for International Exchange and Cooperation (SFIEC) on community ophthalmology program in Takeo province in 2019.

Experience worked partnership with Japan Heart and Hikari Kanata Foundation on paediatric ophthalmology in Takeo province since 2020.

Experience worked with Provincial Education, Youth, and Sport Department and School in Takeo province to include the primary eye care (PEC) in school's activities, especially Vision School Screening.

The new experience with pandemic of COVID-19 on how to provide eye care services to integrate with COVID-19 protection. So we have learned from our experience and from our partners to universal protection from COVID-19.

All of these are our successes and challenges that we have to improve more to meet the requirement of our donors by using these experiences to develop action plan that we implement in the future.





## **COMPREHENSIVE PRISONS PROGRAM**

This project aims to maintain and improve the "Health and well-being" of the prison population at 4 Caritas Australia-supported prisons of Stung Treng, Rattanakiri, Pursat, and Kampong Chhnang Prison through the development of a "Comprehensive Health Post Program" including health care, emotional support, and Vocational skills training.

Additionally, we have another project supported by Futur 21 that aims to improve the well-being of women, pregnant women, and children staying with their mothers, in 3 Cambodian prisons - Siem Reap, Oddar Meanchey, and Pailin. The project includes Vocational Skills Training for job opportunities after release.

#### 1. TO ACHIEVE OUR GOALS. THE PROGRAM HAS 4 SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES



- To build consciousness among prison staff, inmates, and stakeholders on how to see a better prison starting with a positive culture (new mindset) using an ABCD approach.
- 2. To improve the health condition and well-being of inmates through hygiene, sanitation, nutrition, quality health services, and peer support at 4 prisons.
- To equip with livelihood skills through peer learning, vocational training (hard and soft), work placement, and business support post-release at 4 prisons.
- 4. Inmates equipped with livelihood skills through peer learning, vocational training (hard and soft), work placement, and business support post-release at 4 prisons.

#### **RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS 2023**

- 1. A Health post construction with dimensions of L8.5m x W4.5m x H3.5m and a 2m extension for 2 rooms constructed from May 23 to September 15, 2023. The construction cost is \$12,280, with Caritas Cambodia contributing \$10,000 and Pursat Prison contributing \$2,280.To improve the health condition and well-being of inmates through hygiene, sanitation, nutrition, quality health services, and peer support at 4 prisons.
- 2. At the fourth prison health post, CC supported some equipment one wooden working desk, one blood pressure cuff, two autoclaves for sterilizing the suture kit, and a whiteboard measuring 1 meter by 1.5 meters for writing notes and information about the patients. Additionally, there was one medicine counting device, one height scale, one consultation book, and seven wall clocks for monitoring HIV adherence.
- 3. CC networked with PHD, OD, and HC staff at 4 prisons and conducted health training to 9/6F h.post staff and 10/1F correctional staff on health post management, basic of HIV and TB in the prison, Health Post Drug Management, mental health on the topic of post-traumatic stress disorder and illegal drugs (amphetamine, opioid disorder, and nicotine) for 1 day at each prison.
- 4. The CC staff co-worked with prison director to conduct the meeting with Prison, PHD, PRH, OD and HC with 94/25F participants at 4 prisons to provide health care and vocational training support to inmates.
- 5. OD and HC conducted supervision visits to Stung Treng and Rattanakiri Prison 4 times and provided recommendations to improve the quality of consultations, health record documentation, medicines management, and infection control. OD supervised Pursat and Kampong Chhnang Prison 6 times, and HC supervised 11 times. They provided guidance to rectify registration and note-taking, improved networking of patient referrals, provided more medicines, and reported their findings.
- 6. CC staff with prison h.post staff conduct health and social issues awareness education at 4 prisons:

TOPIC	SESSION	т	F
AWARENESS EDUCATION ON 4 HEALTH	I TOPICS AT AL	L 4 PRISONS	
1. Covid-19 prevention and hand washing	4	770	26
2. Personal Hygiene	7	2,591	107
3. Diarrhea	2	362	32
4. HIV & TB	12	903	31
TOTAL (1)	25	4,626	196
AWARENESS EDUCATION ON 4 HEALTH	I TOPICS AT AL	L 4 PRISONS	
1. Safe migration and anti-human trafficking	9	1,959	66
2. Drug Addiction	2	317	23
3. Child protection	8	177	14
TOTAL (2)	19	2,453	103
GRAND TOTAL	44	7079	299





PHD meeting with prison and Caritas convention at Stung Treng Prison





Caritas Cambodia staff provide training to prison on child protection at Rattanakiri prison

Caritas Cambodia staff educate to inmates on domestic violence at Oddar Meanchey Prison

#### 7. Vocational Training at all 4 Prisons

COURSE	STR	RTK	PS	KPC	TOTAL				
PEER LEARNING WITHOUT CERTIFICATE AND CO-INVEST WITH PRISONS									
1. Sewing	0	30 (0)	0	0	30 (0)				
2. Beauty parlor	0	15 (15)	0	0	15 (15)				
3. Electricity connection	26 (0)	30 (0)	0	0	56 (0)				
4. Small machine/motor repairing	0	30 (0)	0	0	30 (0)				
5.Agriculture (animal raising and vegetable)	59 (0)	30 (0)	0	0	89 (0)				
TOTAL	85 (0)	135 (15)	0	0	220 (15)				

VOCATIONAL TRAINING WITH A CERTIFICATE BY WA AND CO-SUPPORT					
1. Paper flowers processing	14 (14)	0	0	0	14 (14)
2. Food processing	0	60 (60)	0	0	60 (60)
TOTAL	14 (14)	60 (60)	0	0	74 (74)

PEER LEARNING WITHOUT CERTIFICATE AND CO-INVEST WITH PRISONS					
Hair Cut	0	5 (0)	0	0	5 (0)
Painting/Music	0	0	0	4 (0)	4 (0)
Blacksmith	0	0	0	6 (0)	6 (0)
Construction	33 (0)	0	0	0	33 (0)
Carpentry/wooden carving	3 (0)	0	0	21 (0)	24 (0)
Agriculture	6 (0)	0	0	4 (0)	10 (0)
Handicraft	46 (24)	0	0	0	46 (24)
TOTAL	88(24)	5 (0)	0	35(0)	128(24)



Women inmates learning on handicraft paper flower making at Stung Treng Prison

Women inmate learning food processing skills at Rattanakiri Prison.

- 8. Support a job placement program in collaboration with NEA/VTC/WA /networking partners: An exinmate was referred to an enterprise contracted by PTC to learn haircuts. Then he got a job at an enterprise (barber shop) at Rattanakiri Province.
- 9. Co-invest in farming livelihood activities (agriculture, animal raising, fish ponds, chicken raising) at 4 prisons for more food at prisons:
- At Stung Treng prison, there were 2,270 Kilo grams of vegetable including water grass 4,463 kg, eggplant 65 kg, papaya 619 kg, garbage 1,283 kg, Chinese radish 2,632 kg, gourd 461kg, winter melon 10kg, pumpkin 10kg and edible amaranth10kg and meats for daily food was harvest with 620kg of fishes, 50kg of chickens and 50kg of ducks.
- At Rattanakiri prison, there were some co-investments by prisons directors with seeds and gardening tools. As the results, 14,765 kilo grams of vegetable including 541kg of winter melon, 13,004 kg of garbage, 20kg of eggplant and 1,200 Kg of water grass were harvested. All vegetable yields and meat were used for food for inmates.
- At Kampong Chhnang Prison, CC co-invested in farming livelihood activities with 12.4 Kilos grams of water grass seeds and 90 meters of fence net to protect from animals. As the result, there are 1,416 kilos grams of vegetables were harvested this year and used for prison food.
- At Pursat Prison, recently the prison just moved to a new site, there are many crops that have been planted including eggplant, water grass, peppers, pumpkin and luffa gourds but still not yet harvest yet.



Inmates doing vegetable gardening at Stung Treng Prison

#### **EVIDENCES (SUCCESS STORY)**

 $^\prime$  Mr. Phea, a youth graduated ex-inmate gets a job at a barber shop in Rattanakiri province  $^\prime$ 



Mr. Phear, Ex-inmate have a job at a barber shop at Rattanakiri province



F\_U ex-inmate after release at RTK

Mr. Phea, a 22-year-old, had to drop out of school in grade 7 due to poverty. He became involved in drugs and was caught by the police in 2019, and sentenced to three years in Rattanakiri prison. During his stay in prison, he met with health staff and security guards, which made him more comfortable. He learned the rules of the prison, how he could contact his family and receive their visits, and when he could exercise. Later in 2022, he attended vocational training on "hair-cutting skills" with 15 other inmates.

After his release, he received follow-up visits from CC and PTC staff. He wanted to start his business, but he still had limited knowledge. They referred him for ongoing training, which he completed in four months. After that, he started working at a shop. He received a labor fee of 50% of the service fee for each customer, and he now earns \$10 to \$15 per day.



Ex-inmate have a job at a barbershop at RTK

#### **QUOTE OF ONE BENEFICIARY**

he is quoted saying: "I feel happy, living with new dignity and honor and I would like to tell all youth not to involved in the drugs business as it destroys your health, makes you go to prison and also make you very sad of your mistakes like me... and now I commit not to do a wrong thing anymore and I would like to thank very deeply Caritas Cambodia together with prison staffs and vocational trainers who helped me during my detention to get a new skill. From working on the farm, I change my life to a new job and a good place. Now, I reflected a lot about my life and I have a good skill to support my family. Thank you so much! And also, thanks to Caritas Australia who supported Caritas for me! I will never forget you! "



**DONOR/PARTNER VISIT** 

On 21 March 2023, Ms. Prum Phaldyn, acting Caritas Australia Country representative in Cambodia with her team of 4 people visited the prison project at Kampong Chhnang Prison.



ACR team visited Kampong Chhnang prison project at Kampong chhnang province



ACR team visited Kampong Chhnang prison project

#### ANY OTHER THINGS OF THE PROGRAM/PROJECT

- 1 CC staff attended the Financial Orientation (financial manual revised) and insurance on 01-03 March 2023 at the National Office/Phnom Penh.
- 1 CC staff attended the workshop on Access to Justice for Persons with Disabilities for Justice Actor on 14th – 15th November 2023 Angkor Paradise in Siem Reap Province conducted by DAC and UNOHCHR.







# COMPLEMENTARY PROJECT TO THE PROMOTION OF SOCIAL INCLUSION PROGRAMME

Caritas Cambodia Siem Reap has been implementing the program "Promotion of Comprehensive Social Inclusion of Vulnerable persons living with psycho-social, social, physical disabilities and chronic diseases in Cambodia" on its second cycle. It responds to exclusion and vulnerability of human being, particularly, a person with psycho-social, social and physical disabilities and persons living with chronic diseases, applying an integrated and comprehensive community-based approach (CBR as strategy for promotion of inclusion) in order to support, empower and cooperate with the affected target groups to claim their rights and achieve improvement of their living conditions in the sectors of Health, Education / Vocational Skill Training, Livelihood / Creation of job opportunities, Social Life and Social Safety Net.

This program has been expanded to 2 new villages with a total of 12 target villages in 2023, in 3 communes of Chikraeng district, Siem Reap province and it started its second cycle in 2022 in order to address and respond more to the real needs of people with disability on livelihood opportunities and trainings. In 2023, the program was already targeting 12 villages with their 9 schools and 3 health centers.



Nutrition refresher to P.with chronic illnesses

Demo training on Accessibility Infrastructure with Key Stakeholders

#### **RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS 2023**

#### **MESO LEVEL**

OUTCOME 6: Caritas Siem Reap advocate and network with provincial authorities, with NGOs, with the private sector and with microfinance institutions at the provincial level to achieve access to existing social security and other programs for all vulnerable persons and persons with disabilities.

Caritas Siem Reap staffs continued strengthening networking and cooperation with Provincial Government authorities, SHO, NGOs partners and effectively continued with PHD, PoSVY, PDRD, private sector who cooperated with CC and MHG in this period:

#### RESULTS

- 302 out of 707 HHs (=42.71%) the target households of 26 MHGs within 12 target village are holding ID poor card #1&2 with monthly allowance from 35\$ to 110\$ and with free health services at public hospitals.
- 8/F4 CSR team, after got trained, were able to cooperate with DAC, MoSVY to conduct Provincial workshops with 19/F6 provincial authorities and relevant key stakeholders and District workshop with 28/F16 district authorities and relevant key stakeholders and identified remaining barriers of PwDs on social security for vulnerable people, especially people with mental health problem with proposed action plans to overcome those barriers.
- 19 HHs received ID poor card, 23/F12 received disability card, so they are able to go for treatment or health check up at the health centers or referral hospitals with free of charge.
- 20/F12 vulnerable adults/youths finished their vocational skill training successfully. 17/F11 get job placements with monthly wage from 50\$ to 150\$; while 3/F1 received grant for start-up their own business on makeup, motor repairing and barber and are able to earn income from 75\$ to 250\$ per
- **7/F3 PwD** received proper treatment at the health centres.
- 188/F194 CwD received proper support in the classroom from their teachers to continue their study properly and 23/F13 CwD referred for specialists.
- 6/F2 PwD at 4 target villages received wheelchair from Jesuit Refugee Services (3), Metakaruna (3).

OUTCOME 7: In their advocacy work, Caritas Siem Reap involves the target groups and their self-help and self-representing structures at the micro and meso levels; they empower them to make their voices heard independently at the provincial, district, communal and village levels and to participate in decision-making which affects the development of their living conditions ("Nothing about us, without us").

Caritas Siem Reap staffs engaged and empowered vulnerable people, especially people with disabilities to raise their voices at commune and district level with district and commune authorities with the following results:

- 23/F12 people with disabilities out of 26/F18 people from 12 target villages attended "Disability Day" to deeply understand and promote rights of people with disabilities, increase the inclusion of PwDs into local community target groups and social events as well as decrease the self-stigma and discrimination of PwDs in the community. 2/F1 PwDs representative shared their challenges on lack of income generation activities for PwD at the community level and the difficulties of communicating with other people in the village to local authorities for action taken.
- 17/F16 out of 75/F59 people attended "World AIDS Day" under the theme "One community leading toward ending HIV/AIDs" in order to raise awareness to community people to prevent from HIV transmission, eliminate the discrimination on PLHIV, but pay respect and treat them with equal rights as well as promote their participation in their community and society like other people. 2/F1 PLHIV representative shared their challenges on some discrimination of the villagers and lack of encouragement of some other people to local authorities for action taken.
- 13/F8 PwD representatives raised their challenges on ID poor renew and assessment for poor families during CCWC monthly meeting at the 3 target communes with proposed action plan.
- 14/F14 MHG committees raised the challenges of their members on disability card for free health services during CCWC monthly meeting at the 3 target communes with proposed action plan.

**OUTCOME 8:** Caritas Siem Reap empower professionals in key institutions in the reference network through training and coaching of staff from health centers, schools and vocational training institutions on topics and issues related to inclusion.

**Caritas Siem Reap** equipped capacity to key institution staffs on Community Mental Health in order to help identify and refer adult and child with mental health for appropriate and proper treatment at the referral hospital and CCAMH.

- **67/F42** key institution staff trained on basic understanding on adult and child mental health and discuss challenges faced by school teachers and health centre staffs with proposed action plan. **7/F3** PwDs referred by HC staff for treatment at health centre.
- 188/F94 CwDs received proper support for learning in the classroom by school teachers, which 23/F13 CwD referred for special health services by school principals, 124/F51 children with slow learning attended extra sessions on Thursdays and gradually improved their learning result, 19/F14 children with short sighted were organised to sit at the front of the classrooms; while 9/F7 out of these children referred for check-up at the Children Hospital and got sunglasses to see more clearly.
- VTC staff provided vocational skill training to **20/F12** vulnerable adults and youth including **1/F0** youth with mild mental health problem.





VT students on Make up-practicing face make up and decorating eyelashes

#### **MICRO LEVELS:**

**OUTCOME 1: Caritas Siem Reap** strengthen basic structures of self-help on the grassroots level and accompanying support structures; these include: Parent Support Groups (PSGs), Mutual Support Groups (MHGs), partnerships with local DPOs (= self-representing organizations of persons with disabilities) and HIV/ AIDs networks. The positive results of Phase 1 (increased participation in the local communities) have been further developed and strengthened, the basic grassroots structures have been consolidated and continue to exist sustainably without facilitation by Caritas.

#### **RESULTS**

**Caritas Siem Reap** staff of the inclusive livelihood project have formed 2 new mutual help groups (MHG) and continued strengthening and supporting the structure of 24 mutual help groups (MHG) with a total of 26 MHGs within 12 target villages through different networking and trainings with the result below:

- 2 more villages (Bos Pok, Kampong Snor Lech) got selected to become Inclusive Villages in this year 2023.
- 89/F84 new members have been visited and admitted into 26 MHG groups within 12 target villages. From the 89 admitted, 11/F10 were PWD, 29/F27 having chronic illnesses, 1/F1 with mental health problem, 2/F2 with children left behind to grandparents after parents migrated, 3/F3 were poor widow and 43/F41 poor households with or without Identification cards.
- 2 more MHG have been developed and 1 more PwD emerged as MHG leader of 1 new group.
- 7 out of 26 MHGs have PwD (9/F3) as their leaders, which 3/F1 are polio, 1/F0 is HIV, 1/F1 is short sighted, 1/F1 disabled one right eye, 1/F0 disabled left leg, 1/F0 is disabled right leg and 1/F0 is paraplegia.
- **7/F3** people with PwD, Chronic Illnesses, Mental Health problem, Injury, and other severe illnesses have been referred for proper diagnosis and appropriate treatment. After health restored, **1/F1** referred to community development facilitators for a training on basic vegetable production with some start-up

- support and she is able to have vegetable for own consumption.
- **24/F20 out of 27/F21** PwD attended the quarterly meetings to identify social challenges with proposed action plans, **3/F2** referred and received ID poor card **#1&2**, **20/F17** attended trainings on agricultural activities and small business and made income such as 37.5\$ to 150\$ per month and **1/F1** is eligible to receive a bicycle for her daughter next year.
- Among the micro-credit activities of the MHGs, **617/F594** MHG members are doing regular savings and **344/F312** members (=55.75%) have borrowed from their groups savings to develop income generation activities to improve their livelihood. They are able to repay at 84.90% rate.
- 40/F37 (=50%) out of 80/F73 MHG members trained on basic vegetable growing developed their vegetable home gardening with some start-up support with seeds and materials. They are able to use their products for own consumption and sold the extra with income from 7.50\$ to 300\$ per season.
- 2 open Water Wells dug by the beneficiaries for their own needs for bathing, cooking and watering their gardens.
- **240 water jars** provided to **80 HHs** and connected to the roof as harvetsing water to ensure sufficient water availability for their entire households.
- 12 rain water collection system installed for 12 vulnerable households within 2 target villages.
- **2 houses** repaired for 2 vulnerable households within 2 target villages to have proper shelter shelter to protect themselves from raining, sunshine, wind, etc.
- 44/F40 (=48.35%) out of 91/F86 MHG members trained on chicken raising technics got start up support with chicken house, chiken breed and some materials and most have completed the chicken cage and get already many cocks, hens, adult chicks and chicks for own consumption and sold the extra with income from \$37.50 to \$140.
- **28/F27** MHG members trained on fish raising technics started raising their fish with some start-up support with materials for making fish pond, fish fingerling and feeds. They are able to have fish for own consumption and sell the extra for income from 120\$ (60kg) to 160\$ (80kg).
- **20/F19** MHG member trained on small business and received grant to start running their business based on their business plan and assessment for selling grocery, ice-cream, mobile selling vegetable &meat, bamboo handicraft, etc. They are able to earn income from 150\$ to 337.5\$ per month which is sufficient for food consumption, medication and other expenditures of the family members.
- 45/F41 MHG committees attended refresher training on Bookeeping, 51/F46 on Leadership and 45/F42
  on Planning & Reporting by CC CDFs and they are able to lead their MHGs and record their saving and
  credit correctly, conduct monthly saving and more or less they are able to produce their monthly plan as
  well as meeting minute and monthly report appropriately under some coaching and mentoring by CDFs.

**OUTCOME 2: Caritas Siem Reap** implements a model village / model commune as a comprehensive pilot measure for inclusion; this includes barrier-free adaptations of housing and sanitation infrastructure, of wells and other village infrastructure to make them accessible to persons with disabilities; establishment of a village-based inclusive savings and micro-credit system for income-generating activities based on village savings from self-help groups, flanked by technical training for vulnerable groups, and all this compatible with measures to adapt to and mitigate the negative impacts of climate change.

#### **RESULTS**

**Caritas Siem Reap** staffs continued collaborating with local authorities, MHG leaders and community people to implement the measure of Model Village guideline with the following results:

- 119/F103 participants from local authorities, HC staff, police officer, MHG representatives and community people from 3 target model villages (Pring, Thnal Taseth and Ou Trach village) attended discussion and awareness meeting and understood well on Model Village 17 guidelines.
- **219 out of 228** vulnerable households from 8 MHGs within 3 model villages are doing their saving regularly and **125** HHs out of these **219** HHs loaned their saving to do agricultural activities such as growing vegetable, raising chicken, medical expenses and some other expenses of their family members.
- 3 model villages get more inclusive by 2023 with the 3rd one started in 2023.
- 1 ramp with handrails was constructed at Chikreng Health Center.
- 3 ramps with handrails were constructed at Khnar Thnung primary school, in Thnal Taset village.
- 1 accessible toilet was constructed at Spean Thnort commune hall.



Small Business F.U by SW



#### **EVIDENCES (SUCCESS STORY)**

" Life needs to move on with full hope '

Mr. Sor Khoan is 52 years old. Before, he lived in Bos Pok village, Chi Kreng commune, Chi Kreng district. Since he married to his wife, he moved to live with her at Ou Trach village, Spean Thnot commune, Chi Kreng distric. His wife's name is Hong Noeurm. She is 44 Years old. They are holding ID poor card #1. They have 2 children, one boy and one girl. Their daughter's name's Sor Lekhena. She is 3 years old and has already attended a kindergarten class. Their son's name's Sor Kakada. He is 7 months old and at home. Mr. Sor Khoan has disclosed himself as he is HIV positive to other community people and joined since 2008 the HIV/AIDS project of Caritas Siem Reap Cambodia. His wife, Ms. Noeurm, still married him even though she knew that he has HIV.



Follow up on small business by CDF

Fortunately, after got married with 2 children, Ms. Noeurm got a test with a result of still HIV negative.

Before joining the mutual help group in the village, they found it very difficult to earn income to support the family. Mr. Khoan said: "Before, we didn't know how to get proper income even sometimes the money for health checkup. I drank white wine every day and didn't help with the housework or farming and my health became weaker with hopeless."

In 2021, after attending the awareness raising on Social Inclusion and several home visits by the social work to his family, Mr. Khoan decided to join the mutual help group. After joining the group for 3 months and the group members recognized that he could read, write and calculate, they voted him to be a treasurer. Mr Khoan, with some help from his wife, shared some knowledge with his members and record saving and credit of the group members appropriately.

Through his commitment of working as a committee for the mutual help group and his family's challenges, the Caritas social worker worked with local authorities to assess his family economic situation and at Mr. Khoan's request, decided to provide him a grant support to run a business on selling grocery at the village. Our social worker also encouraged them to seek for the assessment for ID poor card from the commune council and finally, they received their ID-poor card #1 with free health services at the public hospital. Mr. Khoan added: "with the help from my wife, I reduce drinking white wine and help a lot with farming and housework and we are now able to earn some income to support the family."

Ms. Noeurn kept saying: "after joining the mutual help group with some support from Caritas and commune council for ID poor card, my family condition has improved a lot. We can earn 10\$-15\$ from selling grocery and some drinks and we were able to renovate our store with some more spaces to keep the selling materials. My husband has changed his behavior a lot as he usually helps me after farming and some housework and reduce drinking white wine.

Mr. Khoan added, "After joining the mutual help group, I gained more knowledge, more confidence on myself and I am not scared about someone looking at me in a different way. Even though I have HIV, I am still a

human being and I can do everything like others. There are many people who have HIV, not only me. Life can move on if we keep taking medicine and received treatment correctly. Being yourself, Be confident." He also shared, "Please protect yourself and your family members from HIV. But if you already had it, please do not be hopeless, go for treatment regularly, take care of your health and continue taking the medicine correctly so that you are able to live normally like other people. No one wants it but if it happens accidentally, please accept it and keep moving forward.

Mr. Khoan finally said, "I would like to thank so much Caritas staff, local leaders, mutual help group leaders and members and other villagers, especially donors for their generosity and kind support for my family and other people. I wish them to have more Happiness, Long life, No illnesses, More income and Healthier. In the future, my family would like to extend our business for more income and keep our children attending school regularly."

#### **QUOTE OF ONE BENEFICIARY**

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#### **DONOR/PARTNER VISIT**

- On 24 November 2023, Caritas Cambodia got an "Exposure visit" of Caritas Bangladesh team to our projects with Mr. Binoy Luke Rodringues and Mr. Nirnai Sharma to Caritas Siem Reap. They came to visited Wat Chikreng Primary School and met with 16 school teachers and 9 school management committee to learn the inclusion of child with disabilities at school. They also met Mutual Help Group leaders and members at Pring village to learn about the activities of the groups and how the group strengthens their structure. They also met 4 Commune council at Chikreng Commune Hall to learn the collaboration between Caritas and local leader towards the promotion of Social Inclusion for people with disabilities. By the end of thet visit, they met 2 people with disabilities within 2 villages and recommended the family to take them for exercise regularly. At the end of the visit, we had a debriefing meeting with very interesting exchange's ideas from both sides! Very constructive visit!
- On 04 08 December 2023, there was an "exchange learning visit" of Caritas Malaysia team (14 people) to Caritas Siem Reap to see how we work in solidarity with the poorest and how we transfer our "compassion and love" to them. They wanted to also be in solidarity with us and poor people of Cambodia and spend their time and resources with them and for them.

They conducted some activities for community people, Youth's club and School students as follow:

- Provided study materials and backpacks to 110 vulnerable students at Khnar Thnung primary school.
- Repaired 4 Houses for 4 poor families at Thnal Taset village.
- Provided volleyball sessions and art &craft with 60 grade 4 and grade 6 students at Khnar Thnung primary school.
- Provided basic English classes, art &craft with 25 youth club leaders and members at Thnal Taset village.
- Conducted home visit to 16 people with disabilities and with chronic illnesses at Thnal Taset village.

They supported themselves and also our project with a total budget: **5,170 USD** plus additional **1,015 USD** for houses repaired. It was their way to share solidarity with the needlest people of Caritas Cambodia project.





# FRIENDLY VOCATIONAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT CENTER FOR WOMEN AND YOUNG MOTHERS

The project of "Prevention of Human Trafficking Vocational Skills Development Center for Vulnerable Women" is an ongoing project which has been implemented for its new phase of 2023-2025. Project concept builds on the experiences and insights gained during the previous phase. The goal of the project is to assist the most vulnerable young women, traumatized by experiences of exploitive migration, domestic violence or other forms of abuse to access safe place and the new opportunities for vocational skills development under friendly learning environment. Partnership agreement with private sector is still the main driver to enhance learning quality and job employment opportunities. Basically, the project activities intents to achieve two respective objectives; 1) prevention of unsafe migration and 2) skill development. In the first objective, the project continues enhancing its networking and cooperation with key stakeholders including CCWCs, NGO partners and local authorities. Outreach awareness has been also included. CCWCs who are the main hub of information dissemination, will be trained in term of ToT on value-based education, safe migration and anti-human trafficking. After the training, trained CCWCs will develop their action plan for outreach awareness. Target population, especially migrant labour families and labour-age people will be well-informed about the value of education, safe migration and the risks of human trafficking. In the second objective, the project mainly focused on promoting vocational skills to the communities which is suitable and applicable for the most vulnerable groups. Based on market demand and social trends, the project has selected only four potential skills such as [1] Cosmetology / Beauty Salon; [2] Sewing / Tailoring; [3] Cooking) and [4] handicraft and design to be included in this phase. Typically, all trainees will be enrolled through two channels; self-enrolment and referral from partners. The course will be divided into two batches (six months per batch), while students will access center-base learning and internship with the partners. Besides vocational skills, some complementary subjects including agriculture and life skill will be also arranged in collaboration with experienced partners who have been involved earlier.

This report will depict the overall achievement implemented through the year in collaboration with other projects. Both positive and negative aspects will be included as well. In general, the key activities undertaken are: vocational and life skill training, job placement and agriculture.

#### PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION AND ACHIEVEMENT

#### 1. PROJECT GOAL (OVERALL OBJECTIVE)

Strengthening the position of vulnerable young women through center-based vocational and life skills training and community-based awareness raising about the risks of migration and human trafficking.

#### 2. PROJECT OBJECTIVES (SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE)

- **Prevention of unsafe migration:** The risk of exploitative migration is reduced through improved awareness on human trafficking & safe migration at community level.
- **Skill development:** To contribute to equal opportunities for 300 vulnerable women including victims from all form of human trafficking, domestic violence and high-risk teens through equipping them with life skill and vocational skills that lead to gainful employment.

#### 3. COMPARISON OF PLANNED OUTCOME AND ACHIEVED OUTCOME

PLANNED OUTCOMES	ACHIEVED OUTCOMES
1.1. Commune committee for women and children (CCWC), Village Development Committee (VDC) and Village Development Association (VDA) trained on safe migration, anti-human trafficking, domestic violence	49 local authorities (36 females), including 14 CCWCs, attended refresher training on value-based education, safe migration, and human trafficking law conducted by a partner NGO (International Justice Mission; IJM). The training mainly focused on the role of education, especially vocational skills for disadvantaged youth, and human trafficking law.
1.2. Community outreach/events conducted to promote safe migration, anti-human trafficking, and domestic violence to target communities and especially youth and women	17 outreach awareness sessions were conducted at the village base. 632 people (414 females) attended the event and learned about value-based education, safe migration, and human trafficking.
1.3. The vulnerable/survivors got support for rehabilitation and livelihood	
2.1. 290 vulnerable and victim/survivor women access to the Friendly Vocational Skills Development Center	
2.2. 210 vulnerable and victim/survivor women enrolled to the Friendly Vocational Skills Development Center (70/year)	In total, 42 students sent to attended vocational skill training through CCWCs and partner NGOs referral.  Cooking skill=16, Beauty Salon= 16, Tailoring=9, Handicraft=1  9 school students attended food processing course during their vacation.
2.3. Effective internship program arranged for trainees	2 partnership agreements signed with private sector for internship program:  9 trainees from tailoring class accessed internship program at local textile manufacturing (MUTITA textile).  16 trainees from salon skill accessed internship program at SBS & Beauty Salon and local salon shops  16 trainees from cooking class accessed real practice in the center.
2.4. Appropriate Life skills conducted to all trainees	42 students attended the practical training on microenterprise development and basic agriculture techniques. They all gained an understanding of the principles of business operations and the fundamentals of agriculture from subsistent farming to income generation.
2.5 Graduate student accessed to job placement or personalized micro-business	33/42 trainees already completed the courses, and 27 students got job employment in the private sector, both inside and outside provinces. On average, they got the basic salary ranking of 100–150 USD plus accommodation and food allowance.

#### 4. MAIN ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENT

OBJECTIVES	ACTIVITIES PLANNED	ACHIEVEMENT	REASON FOR VARIANCE	STEPS PLANNED TO CORRECT THE VARIANCE			
1. Prevention of unsafe migration: The risk of exploitative migration is reduced through improved awareness on human trafficking & safe migration at community level							
Output 1.1 Commune Committee for Women and Children (CCWC) trained on safe migration and anti- human trafficking	1. Project orientation to District Administration	The orientation was conducted at six target districts. 49 local authorities (36 females) attended the orientation. New project phase was informed to the stakeholders including annual awareness plan, center services, and selection criteria.					
	2. Conduct TOT training/refresher 3. Annual reflection workshop with stakeholders 4. Network and lobbying with partners, NGO partners	This activity planned with join with other projects. Due to late of fund approval, the activity was cancelled.  Regular meeting conducted at district level. NGO partners and local authorities attended and presented its intervention and achievement related to women and children matters. DCWC organizes monthly meetings in the Banan and Kamrieng district to address and provide an update on the state of human trafficking and domestic violence in the communities. These meetings allow important stakeholders to voice concerns and discuss strategies for intervention to support the victims. Through this channel, the project also presented itself to all participants who have the authority to refer victim cases to Caritas Center vocational school; as a result, CCWC, and NGO partners continue referring the clients to the Center.	No budget	Will be conducted in 2024 in collaboration with other projects			
Community outreach/ events conducted to promote safe migration, anti-human trafficking and domestic violence to target communities and especially youth and women.  7. IE in 8. ar	5. Meeting with Commune Council to develop action plan	The meeting was conducted at six target districts. The meeting was to discuss with district governors and CCWCs to develop annual action plan for 2023 and training topics to be included. As a result, each district submitted the list of target villages to be included in awareness plan.					
	6. Awareness education on value-based education, human trafficking & safe migration	Outreach awareness campaigns were conducted, in collaboration with BMZ project, in 17 remote villages, led by trained CCWCs. 632 people (414) attended the events and understood the role of parents in education as well as the risk of illegal migration. Parents change their perception by supporting their children to continue studying to complete grade 12. At the same time, 42 girls from vulnerable families attended vocational skill at Caritas Center in consequences of outreach activities.					
	7. Distribution IEC material and information directory	Hasn't been published yet due to the lateness of the fund transfer	No budget	-Will be conducted in 2024 in collaboration with other projects			
	8. Women right day and children right day celebration	Haven't conducted yet due to lack of budget	No budget				

Output 1.3 The vulnerable/ survivors got support for rehabilitation and livelihood	9. Meeting and project orientation to Kamrieng Migrant Reception Center (KMC)	One meeting conducted at KMC. The aim of the meeting was to review and update the current situation of the migrant workers employed by the center as well as the collaboration between Caritas and the Center. Forty-three relevant stakeholders showed up for the meeting. KMC gave current information on its services based on their annual plan. The KMC also brought up the issues surrounding the lack of migrant workers who had previously been referred to the Center. At the same time, each partner assign one staff who will take responsibility for joint event and other cooperation aspects. Both KMC and Caritas Cambodia agreed on its action plan the requirements set by both parties		
	<ul><li>10. Provide safe shelter for survivor</li><li>11. Support livelihood and rehabilitation to vulnerable women/ survivors</li></ul>	So far, no survivors sent to the center yet.  So far, no survivors sent to the center yet.	No survivor case referred through the border of Battambang	Continue working with partners and local authorities to seek for survivors and encourage them to attend the vocational skills learning.
	12. Provide psychosocial support and health care service	The center provides regular psychological services. Everyone in the class participated in group exercises and relaxation activities. The program mostly addressed stress management and team building. This practice helps to relieve tension and stimulates trainees to focus on their studies. 42 students got monthly health care support in kind of sanitation materials and basic health care service at government hospital.		
	13. Community reintegration	So far, no survivors sent to the center yet, thus there is no community reintegration		
		ortunities for 300 vulnerable women includ s through equipping them with life skill and		
Output 2.1 at least 70 vulnerable and victim women enrolled to the Friendly Vocational Skills Development Center	14. Support vulnerable adolescents to attend vocational skill learning	<ul> <li>42 students attended vocational skill training through self-enrollment, CCWCs, partner NGOs referral.</li> <li>Cooking skill=16, Beauty Salon= 16, Tailoring=9, Handicraft=1</li> <li>33 trainees already completed the courses, and 27 students got job employment in the private sector, both inside and outside provinces.</li> </ul>		
Output 2.2 Effective internship program arranged for trainees	15. Meeting with private sector to develop/ review partnership agreement	In order to ensure training quality to meet market requirement, Caritas has met a number of potential business partners inside and outside the provinces. In result, 4 private companies agreed to accept the trainees for internship in terms of partnership agreement. The number of trainees is based on the space availability.		
	16. Support for daily transportation for trainee from campus to practicum shop	9 trainees from tailoring skill were sent to intern at MUTITA textile company and social enterprise. 16 trainees from beauty salon class took turn for internship with local shops while 16 trainees from		

with local shops, while 16 trainees from cooking skill accessed practicum in the

Late fund transfer

center.

Haven't conducted yet

17. Meeting reflection with partners

#### Output 2.3

Output 2.4

Graduate student

personalized micro-

accessed to job

placement or

business

Appropriate Life skills conducted to all trainees

18. Conduct life skill training on home gardening

Life skills training was organized to impart complementary knowledge to the trainees. The concept is to introduce feasible alternatives for livelihood improvement as well as adding value to their lives. Attending the course, 22 students gained knowledge of basic home gardening methods and liquid fertilizers (hard compost and EM). All students tried setting up bedding, crop seedlings, fertilizers, etc. during the course. They were all aware of the idea of self-sufficient farming, which raises family income and lowers food expenses.

19. Life skill training on fish raising

Complementary life skill training conducted in four high schools, 261 students (146 females) attended the training. The training mainly focused on organic home gardening. They all learned the concept of self-sufficient farming starting from subsistent farming and commercialization.

20. Conduct life skill training on safe migration and human Haven't conducted yet

Late fund transfer

trafficking

21. Conduct training on micro-enterprise development

An internal resource from Caritas Cambodia led the instruction. The training's objective was to disseminate fundamental concepts about business start-up. They all learned the fundamental concepts of business development, starting with the idea of an initiative, basic marketing, and a business plan. After the training, three graduated students got grants of support to start up

22. Provide grant for business start-up

23. Facilitate for job placement

their businesses

The grant hasn't been used due to the lateness of fund transfer

This period, 33 trainees already completed the courses. Under facilitation of the project, 27 students got job employment in the private sector, both inside and outside provinces. On average, they got the basic salary ranking of 100-150 USD plus accommodation and food allowance

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Will conduct next

Late fund transfer

#### WORKSHOP TRAINING ON VALUE-BASED EDUCATION AND CASE IDENTIFICATION





Participants group photo of workshop training on Value-based education and case identification

#### 5. CONSTRAINT DURING THE IMPLEMENTATION

A few obstacles and limitations prevent the project from progressing throughout the implementation

- Lack of co-funding: Basically, the project is expected to jointly hold public events or campaigns with other projects. However, the financial support of our partners was late and cut off for some public events. Hence, the project needs to shrink and combine some activities to fit the budget. For instance, an exhibition was organized jointly with a child protection campaign funded by another project.
- Late of enrolment: The training schedule was not met by the anticipated number of trainees enrolled. The majority of the trainees are those that our partners recommend to us. The project must flexibly apply for ongoing enrolment. The training and internship schedule must be revised and postponed for all disciplines and courses.
- School drop-out challenges: Due to the poor economic climate following COVID-19, there are extremely few business and job prospects in rural areas. Vulnerable families are forced to choose illegal migration once more due to food shortages and debt. Not wanting to study, some kids made the decision to migrate with their parents in search of seasonal employment.

#### **6. LESSON LEARNT**

The symptom of an economic recession alerts people to be cautious with their expenditures. Certain evidence of increased unemployment threatens family livelihoods, especially for the most vulnerable and marginalized ones. In order to maintain family survival and food security, generating income becomes essential. In current crisis, parents aren't sure if they should send their kids to school or look for work. This influences a student's choice of whether to put off or continue studying. The project has made adjustments to improve the situation in an effort to stop school dropouts.

- Mainstreaming life skills: Business concept and basic agriculture skill training were organized in four high schools. The purpose of the training was to impart complementary knowledge to the students as well as introduce feasible livelihood alternatives to them. This course contributes to changing students' perceptions to focus on local resources rather than depending on migration.
- **Team building and motivation:** A quarterly meeting was conducted with the group of scholarship students and parents to discuss the challenges. School teachers also play a crucial role in providing consultation and encouraging students to continue their studies.
- Increase outreach awareness on value-base education: In addition to in-kind assistance, spiritual support plays a critical role in advancing education. Parents' perceptions of supporting their children's education have changed dramatically as a result of value-based education mainstreaming.
- **Short course development:** : in response to the real situation, the project has designed short course of cooking skill that enable the students to attend during their vacation. In the first pilot, 9 students from Samlot High School took time to join the course. After the training the group applied for seed grants to start up small enterprise in school.

#### 7. FUTURE DIRECTION

The symptom of an economic recession alerts people to be cautious with their expenditures. Certain evidence of increased unemployment threatens family livelihoods, especially for the most vulnerable and marginalized ones. In order to maintain family survival and food security, generating income becomes essential. In current crisis, parents aren't sure if they should send their kids to school or look for work. This influences a student's choice of whether to put off or continue studying. The project has made adjustments to improve the situation in an effort to stop school dropouts.

- A. Design short course skills for school students during vacation
- B. Expanding course advertisement through redesigning and develop course brochure sent to all partners
- C. Update skills learning to meet the trends and market demands
- D. Increase number for partnership agreement to extent internship program and job placement
- E. Continue community outreach to promote value-based education concept

#### **CONCLUSION**

A few of the activities during the first semester were postponed or canceled. However, we can make it up in the second semester. Throughout the year, the program has produced satisfactory results to achieve its stated goals. Participatory techniques have been applied and adjusted to the current situation. The project also strengthens relationships with all stakeholders to guarantee support for the project's implementation. There were meetings and follow-ups with CCWCs, parents, and teachers regularly. The target community and important stakeholders took part in the activities. For instance, an exhibition and community forum were planned in tandem with another project activity. Above all, the budget was used to its greatest capacity by being performed efficiently. Obviously, outreach awareness and community capacity building were coorganized with partner NGO and local partners. The number of participants exceeded the original plan. During the late fund transfer, seed money granted to the graduated trainees were from other projects. The greater number of recipients translates into more chances for other underprivileged and disadvantaged students. Additionally, the community's views on the importance of education are changed by this support. Parents typically encourage their kids to attend public school as well as vocational skill learning on a regular basis. The newly developed short course is another attraction. Three distinct two-week short courses in culinary skills have been developed so that students can enrol during their vacation. The new course helps to promote vocational skills as students and parents recognize the new potential that would become another source of income to support families.

However, there are some challenges that occurred during project execution. The budgetary constraints led to a reduction or cancellation in outreach awareness and refresher ToT training for CCWCs. The event was delayed and adjust to join with other project instead of self-arrangement.

#### **ACTIVITY PICTURES**

#### 1. SKILLS LEARNING IN THE CENTER



Students are enjoying with coffee making skill



Students practice on vocational skill training at FVSD



Students' activities to practice on

Beauty & Makeup skill



Students' activities to practice on Cooking and Baking skill



Students' activities to practice on Cooking and Baking skill

#### 2. INTERNSHIP FOR TAILORING SKILL



Students' activities to Internship for tailoring skill in a garment factory



Students' activities to Internship for tailoring skill in a garment factory

#### LIFE SKILL LEARNING (AGRICULTURE SKILL AND MICRO ENTERPRISE CONCEPT)



(Agriculture and Micro Enterprise)



Students' activities to practice on life skills (Agriculture and Micro Enterprise)







## PROMOTION AND PROTECTION CHILD AND YOUTH RIGHT

Caritas Cambodia is implementing the project under funded from BMZ for 2023-2025 named "Protection and Promotion of Children and Youth Rights". The project's goal is to make education—both official and informal—more accessible to kids, particularly those from low-income families. Our intended beneficiaries include young migrant laborers, school dropout children, and students enrolled in six high schools. To achieve this specific goal, the project works with state and non-state actors to improve welfare systems at the household level, create an environment that is conducive to learning in public schools and that facilitates access to vocational skills, and conduct outreach in all target communities. The project continues to collaborate with local government, other programs, and like-minded NGOs. To make the project function successfully, for example, the Community Committee for Women and Children (CCWCs), the Provincial Department of Labor for Vocational Training (PDLVT), the District Office of Education (DoE), and the Provincial Office of Education (PoE) are the major actors. The project offers scholarship packages to the most vulnerable children, who are collaboratively identified and chosen by the project team and school teachers, in an effort to encourage regular attendance at school.

#### PROJECT GOAL (OVERALL OBJECTIVE)

Promoting access to education and vocational training for children and adolescents in difficult circumstances and assisting them to find domestic/local employment as a way out of poverty and as prevention of unsafe labor migration and exploitation.

#### • Program goal (Impact)

Contribute to the realization of the rights of children and adolescents in Asia by promoting a development of the national welfare systems and strengthening an existing structural networking and a cooperation of a relevant state and non-state actors in the field of child and youth promotion.

#### Program goal (Outcome)

Promoting access to education and vocational training for children and adolescents in difficult circumstances and assisting them to find domestic/local employment as a way out of a poverty and as a prevention of unsafe labour migration and exploitation.

#### PROJECT OBJECTIVES (SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE)

#### At Meso level

At target provincial level strengthening networking with Provincial Government Department, local authority, with NGOs and private sectors in order to facilitate access to education and vocation trainings to vulnerable children and adolescents.

#### At Micro level

To improve a capacity and promote s participation approach of parents' association, school teachers/directors, grassroots authority, CCWC, youth club and enable them to actively involved in a counselling and support the vulnerable children and adolescents to finish school education and a vocational skill training.

#### **KANDAL RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS 2023**

#### THE PROJECT OBJECTIVE OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING

**OBJECTIVE1:** To contribute to equal opportunities for 32 vulnerable youths at high risk teens through equipping them with life skill, promote youth socialization outreach activities and vocational skills that lead to gainful employment.

**OBJECTIVE2:** To ensure project income generated by a range of social enterprises leads to a gradual increase in financial independence of the "Youth Vocational Skills Development Center".

Caritas team was presented to Deputy District Governor in charge on CCWC and head of education
office, and CCWC was counselled the values of education by Deputy District Governor in charge on
CCWC. And after counselled, the CCWCs and principals was organized outreach awareness to share the
value of education to 120 parents in 8 villages/3communces.





CCWC was counselled the values of education by Deputy District Governor in charge on CCWC.

• There were 47 vulnerable families of 47/F33 scholarship students received food assistant, bicycle and school material from the program each family received as following for a year to 12 vulnerable families of 12/8F scholarship students as food assistant: 1200 kg of rice, 24boxes of noodle and 20 cans of fish canned. 15 bicycle to 15 students and 20 school material and uniform to 20 students at the 20 secondary school.



There were 47 scholarship students and 47 family form 4 secondary school



received non-food and food, bicycle and school material from CC

• 32 youths were attended in vocational skill in caritas kandal center, there are 14 student learned in the Cooking skill, 9 students in the salon, 5 trainees in the car repairing skill and 4 trainees in the airconditional skill.

COURSE TRAINING	# OF STUDENTS	GRADUATED	JOB PLACEMENT
COOKING SKILL	14	11	9
BEAUTY SALON	10	6	5
CAR REPAIRING SKILL	9	7	5
AIR-CON REPAIRING SKILL	5	3	2
TOTAL	32 (17F)		





trainer provided with theory and practical

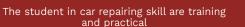


The student in salon skill are training and practical



trainer provided with theory and practical







The students are enjoyed to learning in air-conditional repairing

32 Student (17females) in vocational training skill was oriented about skill and job orientation, they able to analysis about skill that are demanded and they understood about how to prepare curriculum vitae and tip for interview after graduated. And in this course, 7 students in the cooking class are opportunities for internships in the private sector (hospitality sector) such as Fun Food and World Dining.



NEA were oriented about skill and job orientation, they able to analysis about skill that are demanded



An activity of National Employment Agency (NEA) representative is orienting to youth students



As follow the government policy required to all staffs and student in Ministry of vocational of Labor and Vocational training and Education

Every morning Monday and evening Friday.

internships



A group photo of students have opportunities for internships during SEAGAMES 2023



students in the cooking class are opportunities for internships

Youth club activity such as youth club meeting and life skill



Activities of Yoga training in the center



A group photo of students have opportunities for internships during SEAGAMES 2023



Students' activities to practice on life skills



Playing activity in the center

#### **SIEM REAP RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS 2023**

#### **MICRO LEVEL**

OBJECTIVE 1: Despite the lack of compulsory education in Cambodia, parents and schoolchildren from poorer and educationally deprived rural contexts and difficult living conditions recognize the value of education. Parents are in favor of schooling and education for their children and the children are motivated for such education.

Outcome 1.1: Poor households are aware and informed about the value of education for their children and adolescents and demonstrate appropriate educational practices.

Caritas Siem Reap staff continued strengthening networking and collaboration with VTC staff, CCWCs, local authorities, and MHG leaders in this period:

#### **RESULT**

- 10/F5 vulnerable youths from poor families have been identified and registered for appropriate vocational skill training at VT Institute in Siem Reap and completed their courses successfully. 8/F5 got a job placement with a monthly wage from 70USD to 150USD.
- 1114/F1054 had better parenting methods for their children and at least 80% (891 people) showed understanding of good parenting methods, encouraged their children to attend school regularly, and shared with others. They also comprehensively understood and shared with community members the value of vocational training. The parents are well aware of the child's rights and child protection precisely. They are high commitment to sending their children to go to school, having good shelter, and nutritious food, and stop using violence against children and other abusive activities.
- 60/F34 children from vulnerable families who are holding the ID poor card 1 & 2 and other vulnerability criteria (List) have been selected to get scholarship support with 10 kilograms of rice per month, 1 set of school stationery, 1 pair of school uniform and 12 out of these 60 children got 1 bicycle each and 87% did not drop out from school but 8/F6 children (=13%) left the school to accompany their parents who migrated or other reasons.
- 12 out of 60 children were selected to receive bicycles to attend school regularly as their home is far from the school and this is also part of the scholarship package.
- 7/F5 children were referred for high fever treatment, stomach ache, diarrhea, TB, and blister on the hands to get appropriate treatment, making them healthy and able to continue their schooling.
- The outcome was achieved as at least 52/F33 out of 60/F34 students on scholarship support regularly attended their schooling with good performance. The new 8 most vulnerable children are replaced by the 8 children who had left the scholarship.

Outcome 1.2: At-risk/disabled children and youth did not drop out of school early, thanks to appropriate educational practices and material supports such as scholarships, bicycles, and food.

Caritas Siem Reap cooperating with the district of education, youth, and sport, DoEYS, has shown that the annual dropout rate of 9 primary schools in the target area has declined by academic year as:

Compared to the two academic years of 2021-2022 and 2022-2023, the school dropout rate has declined at 0.17%.

**OBJECTIVE 2:** Children and youth actively participate in the planning and implementation of activities and measures to protect and promote their rights as equal rights holders, and no longer fall for false promises from exploitative employment agencies abroad or human traffickers.

Outcome 2.1: Poor households are aware and informed about the value of education for their children and adolescents and demonstrate appropriate educational practices.

After attending 4 quarterly capacity buildings, 18/F9... SMC leaders were able to disseminate their knowledge to their members at 9 target primary schools with the results as below:

- 18/F9 School Management Committee (SMC) leaders well equipped with quarterly capacity buildings and shared their knowledge with 88/F51 members on the Value of Education and Vocational Training, 70/F38 members on Child Rights and Child Protection, 92/F59 members on Child with disability and barriers, 68/F47 members on Safe migration and anti-human trafficking.
- 20/F12 youth club leaders well equipped through capacity building and regular monthly coaching and mentoring and shared their knowledge with 91/F72 members on the Value of Education Vocational Training, 101/F74 members on Children with disability and barriers, 76/F46 members on Child rights and protection, 83/F52 members on Bad effect of using drugs/alcohol.

Outcome 2.2: In conjunction with International Child Labor Day and Anti-Trafficking Day, events, and illustrative role play raise awareness among students.

To promote the rights of children and adolescents, the project staff has collaborated with youth leaders, school directors, and school teachers of 9 target schools to celebrate International Children's Day, promoting the basic rights of children and child protection sessions.

- Youth leaders from 10 youth clubs under the support from the project staff, cooperated with school directors and teachers at 9 target schools to celebrate International Children's Day, promoting the basic rights of children and child protection sessions to 479/F258 students, 233/F174 parents, 19/F14 youths, and 84/60 of teachers including 9/F2 school directors.
- 31/F25 youth leaders and members from 10 youth clubs, under the support of project staff and 1/F0 CCWC, conducted Safe Migration Day for 408/F373 community people.

Objective 3: Well-informed Commune Committees for Women & Children (CCWC) are increasingly committed to the welfare of children and, in particular, to promoting education and training for disadvantaged children and young people at the local level. They act as multipliers. Local schools are supportive and guide good career choices. They sensitize students and their parents to dangers and risks, e.g. in relation to labor migration.

Outcome 3.1: Teachers are informed about the value of education, vocational training, and anti-human trafficking and can advise on a good career choice within the country or for safe migration.

18/F7 school teachers and 3/F1 CCWC attended a district and learned how to Promote professional employment, vocational training, and job opportunities in the private sector for vulnerable youth, especially young people with disabilities. After the workshop, they shared their knowledge and promoted vocational training for vulnerable youth with the following results:

• 3/F3 CCWC conducted a dissemination meeting on the value of vocational skill training and job opportunities to 405/F357 community people within 10 target villages.

Outcome 3.2: Through training in the field of children's and young people's rights, representatives of CCWCs act as multipliers and supporters for quality school education and vocational training as well as for good employment opportunities for disadvantaged children and youth.

Based on the report of technical and vocational education and training (TVET) from VTI showed that by the end of December 2023, the VTI had registered 797/F180 students for 06 different skills such as 15/F9 Plasterer, 10/F0 Plumbing installation, 237/F27 Indoor electrical installation, 195/F2 Home Air Conditioning Service, 301/F137 Computer graphic design, and 39/F5 Security camera installation and maintenance.

Objective 4: Caritas Cambodia provincial offices involved in this program provide counseling services to children and youth in difficult circumstances and their families, to government agencies, and provincial and municipal committees on women's, children's, and youth issues.

Outcome 4.1: ToTs (Training of Trainers) provide training for parents, schoolteachers, CCWCs, and local authorities on family counseling, including the topics of the value of education and vocational training, job opportunities, and labor market demand.

After attending a training on "Value of education and vocational training, job opportunities, and labor market and good Parenting Method", 16/F7 participants formed into 03 Training of Trainers (ToTs):

• 1 ToT is in Chikraeng commune which includes 1 CCWC, 1 village leader, and 2 primary school teachers.

- ToT is in Spean Thnort commune which includes 1 CCWC, 2 village leaders, and 2 primary school teachers.
- 1 ToT is in Koukthlork Kraom commune which includes 1 CCWC, 3 village leaders, and 2 primary school teachers.

Outcome 4.2: Municipal Council members, CCWCs, and village representatives are well-trained to act as trainers and disseminate information to parents in target communities.

· After getting trained, 16/F7 training trainers (ToTs) disseminated their knowledge on family counseling, the value of education, the value of VT, job opportunities, and labor market demand to 405/F357 participants among 10 villages successfully under the observation and support from Caritas staff.

#### **MESO LEVEL**

OBJECTIVE 5: Potential regional and local employers are motivated and empowered to give young people in difficult circumstances a chance to gain practical work experience as apprentices and possibly hire them permanently later.

Outcome 5.1: ToTs (Training of Trainers) provide training for parents, schoolteachers, CCWCs, and local authorities on family counseling, including the topics of the value of education and vocational training, job opportunities, and labor market demand.

After attending the provincial workshop on "Promoting professional employment, vocational training, and job opportunities in the private sector for vulnerable youth, especially young people with disabilities", 6/F4 local employers hired 7/F5 youth who completed their training courses at VTC to work permanently at beauty salon shop.

#### **BATTAMBANG RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS 2023**

COMPARISON OF PLANNED OUTCOME AND ACHIEV	
PLANNED OUTCOMES AT MESO LEVEL	ACHIEVED OUTCOMES
OUTCOME 1:  Caritas Cambodia Provincial Departments involved in this program provide counselling services to children and adolescents in difficult circumstances and their families, to authorities, and to CCWCS at provincial and municipal levels:  24 CCWCs at 18 communes in 6 districts were well-informed about the value of education and a vocational skill training, job opportunity and a market demand that they are able to pass information and provide counselling to at least 200 parents	30 CCWCs (28 females) attended the refresher training workshop on anti-human trafficking law and the role of education. After the training, trained CCWCs organized outreach awareness to pass the information related to value-based education, safe migration and human trafficking to 632 people (414 females in 17 villages).
OUTCOME 2:  2 forums related to employment opportunity organized every year at sub-national level, at least 140 youth got job employment in consequences of the	One product exhibition conducted at community based in collaboration with school teachers and local government. Products produced

sector.

**OUTCOME 3:** 

got job opportunity.

At least 1 mobile outreach team form to accompany and support independent start-ups of young graduates.

2 products exhibitions organized at provincial level,

from this event, at least 3 child and youth adolescents per year are engaged with local employers and

> Mobile outreach team assisted the graduated trainees in developing business plan and business start-up preparation. 3 students submitted their business plan to get grants from the project. Now, all of them have already started their own business following the plan.

27 graduates (cooking: 10, Salon: 9, Tailoring: 7, Hand-

icraft: 1) already got job employment with private

- At least 20 young graduates/alumni learned about business start-up and agriculture skill from mobile outreach
- 22 students attended that training on basic agriculture techniques and small enterprise development.
- 11 students learned hair styling which trained by professional trainers from well-known salon shop.

#### **OUTCOME 4:**

- At least 9 small business (3/Y) start up by graduated youths in difficult life situations and able to strengthened their own independent business within a year after start up
- 3 graduated students (Cooking skill:1, Tailoring:2) got financial support to for own business start-up. All of them are on the beginning stage.

#### AT MACRO LEVEL

#### **OUTCOME 1:**

Financially poor parents with modest levels of education in rural contexts recognize - despite the lack of compulsory education in Cambodia - the value of education; they support the education and vocational training of their children within their capabilities though appropriate parenting methods:

- At least 600 poor households in 3 years (200/Y) are well trained at community on the value of education for their children, youth and adolescents and show appropriate parenting methods.
- Among 600 poor households trained, at least 180 (60/Y) children, youth and adolescents attended vocational skill training (60% attended Caritas's vocational skill training centre and 40% attended government centre).

7 outreach awareness sessions were conducted at the village base. 632 people (414 females) attended the event and learned about value-based education, safe migration, and human trafficking.

In total, 42 students sent to attended vocational skill training through CCWCs and partner NGOs referral.

- Cooking skill=16, Beauty Salon= 16, Tailoring=9, Handicraft=1
- 9 school students attended food processing course during their vacation.

#### **OUTCOME 2:**

Children and adolescents in difficult life situations are motivated and do not guit their education and vocational training ahead of completion.

- At least 30 vulnerable/disable children (10/Y) did not guit their education ahead of completion due to appropriate parenting methods and welfare support when needed (scholarships, bicycles, food).
- At least 30 vulnerable/disable adolescents (10/Y) completed their vocational training skills and got a job after completion.
- In total, 26 poor students (18 girls) have been selected by school teachers and project staff to get scholarship support based on real-life situations. 24 students got study materials, food, and school uniforms.
- 5 students completed grade 12 and 1 student got job employment at private school after the completion.
- 27 students (beauty salon = 9, cooking = 10, tailoring = 7, and handicraft = 1) graduated and got job employment in neighboring provinces. On average, they got a basic salary of around 100-120 USD, plus free accommodation and food.

#### **OUTCOME 3:**

Children and adolescents in difficult circumstances and their families no longer fall for false promises of exploitative employment agencies abroad or human traffickers.

- At least 6 community forums (200 participants/ forum) on children's rights, safe migration and anti huma trafficking conducted within 3 years.
- One awareness workshop related to children's rights and child protection policies was conducted at the center. 72 people (54 females) attended the workshop.

#### **OUTCOME 4:**

Well-informed Commune Committees for Women and Children (CCWC) are increasingly committed to the well-being of children and, in particular, to promoting education and training for disadvantaged children and youth at the local level. They act as multipliers.

- 24 CCWC well-informed on value-base education and active in promoting vocational skill opportunity in the community.
- 49 local authorities (36 females), including 14 CCWCs, attended refresher training on value-based education, safe migration, and human trafficking law conducted by a partner NGO (International Justice Mission; IJM). The training mainly focused on the role of education, especially vocational skills for disadvantaged youth, and human trafficking law.

#### **OUTCOME 5:**

Local schools are well-informed about possible vocational trainings and provide advice for good career choices. They sensitize students and their parents about dangers and risks, e.g., regarding labor migration.

At least, 1800 students in 6 high school in 6 districts accessed sensitization session on risk of labour migration and human trafficking.

427 school students (290 females) from 4 high schools attended awareness-raising events and learned about the topics of value-based education, safe migration, and human trafficking.

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OBJECTIVES	ACTIVITIES PLANNED	ACHIEVEMENT
AT MESO LEVEL	ACTIVITES FEATIVED	ACHIEVEMENT
	1. Conduct workshop on value of education, vocational skills trainings, job markets, job employment, and a social inclusion to parents, local authorities, CCWC, and	- ToT refresher training was conducted at district level. Professional trainers from partner NGOs (IJM) led the training, which was attended by 49 local authorities (36 females), including 30 CCWCs (28 females). The seminar mostly included updated legislation against trafficking and government policies. Following the training, CCWCs created an awareness-raising action plan. 17 villages were identified and included in planning.
	Authorities and follow with action plan.	- This activity planned with join with other projects. Due to late of fund approval, the activity was cancelled.
CC at target provincial level strengthening networking with Provincial Government Department, local authority, with NGOs and private sectors in order to facilitate access to education and vocation trainings to vulnerable children and adolescents.	2. forums related to employment opportunity organized every year at subnational level, at least 46 youth got job employment in consequences of the forum.  3. products exhibition organized at provincial level, from this event, at least 3 child and youth adolescents per year are	- Co-organized with another initiative in Kamrieng District was the product exhibition. The event featured displays of food processing, tailoring items, and handicrafts. There were 101 attendees, including parents and pupils, of which 52 were female. 27 graduates—10 in cooking, 9 in salons, 7 in tailoring, and 1 in handicrafts—were put in touch with local companies and were hired.
	engaged with local employers and got job opportunity.  4. At least 1 mobile outreach team form to accompany and support independent startups of young graduates. (Per-year)	- One traning session on business plan preparation and startup was led by the Caritas technical team. Every student gained knowledge of business operations and grant application procedures. Three students—two studying tailoring and one studying cooking—submitted their business plans and were awarded funds to launch their own business.
	5. At least 20 young graduates/alumni learned about business start-up and agriculture skill from mobile outreach (Per year)	- 22 students attended the practical training on microenterprise development and basic agriculture techniques. They all gained an understanding of the principles of business operations and the fundamentals of agriculture from subsistent farming to income generation.
		- Complementary life skill training conducted in four high schools. 261 students (146 females) attended the training. The training mainly focused on organic home gardening. They all learned the concept of self-sufficient farming starting from subsistent farming and commercialization.

#### AT MACRO LEVEL

To improve the capacity

of parents association,

and promote participation

school teacher, grassroots

authority, CCWC, youth club

and enable them to active

involved in counselling and

children and adolescents to

finish school education and

support the vulnerable

skill training.

- 1. At least 9 small business (3/Y) start up by graduated youths in difficult life situations and able to strengthened their own independent business within a year after start up.
- 2. At least 600 poor households in 3 years (200/Y) are well trained at community on the value of education for their children, youth and adolescents and show appropriate parenting methods.
- 3. At least 30 vulnerable/disable children (10/Y) did not quit their education ahead of completion due to appropriate parenting methods and welfare support when needed (scholarships, bicycles, food).
- 4. At least 30 vulnerable/disable adolescents (10/Y) completed their vocational training skills and got a job after completion.
- 5. At least 2 community forums (66 participants /forum) on children's rights, safe migration and anti-human trafficking conducted within 3 years.
- 6.CCWC well-informed on value-base education and active in promoting vocational skill opportunity in the community.
- 7. At least, 1800 students in 6 high school in 6 districts accessed sensitization session on risk of labour migration and human trafficking

- After graduation, all students were trained on business concepts (microenterprise development) and the opportunity to run their own businesses. After the training, 3 students (tailoring skill = 2, cooking skill =1) applied for grants to set up their own business.
- Outreach awareness campaigns were conducted in 17 villages, led by trained CCWCs. 632 people (414) attended the events and understood the role of parents in education as well as the risk of illegal migration. Parents change their perception by supporting their children to continue studying to complete grade 12.
- 26 vulnerable students in 6 high schools have been selected to get scholarship support. Based on real situation, 24 students still got food support from the project:
- Each of them got 15 kgs of milled rice/ month, 10 canned fish/month, 1 bottle of fish sauce.
- 5 students passed grade 12 successfully, while the rest are on grade 11 and being active in studying to get ready for the exam in 2024.
- 42 students attended vocational skill training through self-enrollment, CCWCs, partner NGOs referral.
- Cooking skill=16, Beauty Salon= 16, Tailoring=9, Handicraft=1
- 33 trainees already completed the courses, and 27 students got job employment in the private sector, both inside and outside provinces.
   On average, they got the basic salary ranking of 100–150 USD plus accommodation and food allowance.

#### **MAJOR IMPACT**

While the project just starts, the measure of the project's impact will appear in the end of the second quarter.

#### **MAJOR IMPACT**

A few obstacles and limitations prevent the project from progressing throughout the implementation phase.

- Lack of co-funding: Basically, the project is expected to jointly hold public events or campaigns with other
  projects. However, the financial support of our partners was late and cut off for some public events. Hence,
  the project needs to shrink and combine some activities to fit the budget. For instance, an exhibition was
  organized jointly with a child protection campaign funded by another project.
- Late of enrolment: The training schedule was not met by the anticipated number of trainees enrolled. The
  majority of the trainees are those that our partners recommend to us. The project must flexibly apply for
  ongoing enrolment. The training and internship schedule must be revised and postponed for all disciplines
  and courses.
- School drop-out challenges: Due to the poor economic climate following COVID-19, there are extremely few business and job prospects in rural areas. Vulnerable families are forced to choose illegal migration once more due to food shortages and debt. Not wanting to study, some kids made the decision to migrate with their parents in search of seasonal employment.

#### **LESSON LEARNT**

The symptom of an economic recession alerts people to be cautious with their expenditures. Certain evidence of increased unemployment threatens family livelihoods, especially for the most vulnerable and marginalized ones. In order to maintain family survival and food security, generating income becomes essential. In current crisis, parents aren't sure if they should send their kids to school or look for work. This influences a student's choice of whether to put off or continue studying. The project has made adjustments to improve the situation in an effort to stop school dropouts.

- **Life skill promotion:** Business concept and basic agriculture skill training were organized in four high schools. The purpose of the training was to impart complementary knowledge to the students as well as introduce feasible livelihood alternatives to them. This course contributes to changing students' perceptions to focus on local resources rather than depending on migration.
- **Group motivation:** A quarterly meeting was conducted with the group of scholarship students and parents to discuss the challenges. School teachers also play a crucial role in providing consultation and encouraging students to continue their studies.
- Community mainstreaming on value-base education: In addition to in-kind assistance, spiritual support plays a critical role in advancing education. Parents' perceptions of supporting their children's education have changed dramatically as a result of value-based education mainstreaming.
- Short course development: in response to the real situation, the project has designed short course of cooking skill that enable the students to attend during their vacation. In the first pilot, 9 students from Samlot High School took time to join the course. After the training the group applied for seed grants to start up small enterprise in school.

#### CONCLUSION

Some of the first semester's events were cancelled or rescheduled. We can make up for it in the second semester, though. The initiative has met its stated objectives and delivered satisfactory outcomes throughout the year. Participatory methods have been used and modified to fit the circumstances of the moment. In addition, the project fortifies ties with all parties involved to ensure complete backing for the project's execution. Periodic follow-up and meetings with CCWCs, parents, and school teachers were held. Key stakeholders and the target community participated in the events. For example, a community forum and exhibition were arranged in conjunction with another project activity. Above all, the budget has been used to its full potential by being executed effectively. Obviously, the number of scholarship students (26 students) exceeded the plan (the original plan was 10 students per year). The greater number of recipients translates into more chances for other underprivileged and disadvantaged students. Additionally, the community's views on the importance of education are changed by this support. Parents typically encourage their kids to attend school on a regular basis at the same hour. There is evidence of parents and schoolchildren who commit to continuing studying to complete grade 12. Five of the students who received assistance clearly completed grade 12 already. With this strategy, the team can win over the trust of all important players. The newly developed short course is another attraction. Three distinct two-week short courses in culinary skills have been developed so that students can enrol during their vacation. As students and parents recognize the new potential that would become another source of income to support families, the new course helps to promote vocational skills.

However, there are some challenges that occurred during project execution. The budgetary constraints led to a reduction in outreach awareness and refresher ToT training for CCWCs. The event was reduced to three districts from the initial six districts in the design. However, the project could increase the number of CCWCs to 30 (28 females).

#### **EXPRESSION OF THANKS**

We would like to thank our backers, donors, and facilitation actors on behalf of the community for their amazing, material and spiritual contributions. The assistance has made a significant difference in both expanding educational accessibility and advancing children's rights. In addition, it gives people in need hope and their dignity back. As the implementer, Caritas Cambodia will make every effort to maximize the fund's advantages for our target populations.

#### **EVIDENCES (SUCCESS STORY)**

"My name is Kuen Sreynich, a female born in Ampil village, Krangyov commune, Sa Ang District, Kandal province. When I was just 5 years old, my parents divorced and started new families with different partners, leaving me in the care of my grandmother without any responsibilities or assistance.

Currently, I live with my 72-year-old grandmother, who does not have a regular job but earns a small income by selling garlic bark and morning glory. Despite her poverty and old age, she works hard to support my education.

In 2023, the principal of Krangyov High School selected my grandmother for a scholarship based on the village chief's recommendation. Additionally, Caritas Cambodia has been providing us with food and non-food packages as part of their scholarship program. This support has greatly reduced our daily expenses and allowed me to focus on my studies.

And it was great that my grandmother have received awareness of the value of education and positive parenting from Commune committee Women and Children(CCWC) and the principal as well after receiving the TOT of values of education from caritas Cambodia With all these supported and sharing, my grandmother are more than encouraged me to school and I keep up the hard work to my learning.

I am immensely grateful to Caritas Cambodia for their support, especially for assisting my elderly grandmother in raising me. I sincerely wish Caritas Cambodia and their donors good health and success in their work. I hope that Caritas Cambodia and their donors will continue to prioritize the dignity of children and youth, improving their quality of life by providing them with decent education, employment opportunities, and a holistic approach to life."



Photo of Sreynich with his grandma at her house

Photo of Sreynich discuss with her classmate about lesson in the classroom





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## COMMUNITY BASE ECOTOURISM AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The project on Integrated Community Development of Indigenous People (ICD-IP) in Sen Monorum district, Mondulkiri Province started from 2023 to 2025 under supported by Caritas Germany and SCAIF. The project is focused on community-based Ecotourism and environmental protection and management will be impact to improve Living conditions of indigenous people (IP) as the member and living in the Community in the Protected Area (CPA) through sustainable livelihoods, promote ecotourism activities and WASH.

#### The project goal and objective as following:

**Project impact:** Living conditions of CPA's members in Sen Monorum district, Mondulkiri Province improved through sustainable livelihoods, promote ecotourism and Water and Sanitation, Hygiene (WASH).

Project outcome: 130 CPA's members increased income through ecotourism service and agri-business.

#### The project output and activities:

- 1. Sre Ei CPA's Management Committee improved management capacity, network and financial capacity recognized as a model community living in protected area. This output will be focus on provide training, exchange learning to build the management and leadership capacity and financial management of CPA's Management Committee. The project will facilitate the quarterly meeting of CPA's MC to discussion and reflection on the progress activities, challenge and improvement of CPA's management committee.
- 2. Increased income of CPA's members through promoted agri-business and Ecotourism. The second output is focus on increase income of CPA's member through participate in the community agribusiness and community base ecotourism activities and practice the agriculture technique link to climate change adaptation. Other activities are built networking and good collaboration between CPA's MC and other relevant stakeholders in purpose to promote the ecotourism service and link to market to promote their agricultural production.

3. Community Hygiene and Sanitation improved through Water and Sanitation, Hygiene (WASH) activities. The hygiene and sanitation improvement is very important for the target community and the end of the project the target village will become the model green school and clean village. The water accessibility will be improve and increase in CPA's member both for clean water for household use and drinking water.

#### **RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS 2023**

- Provided capacity building on leadership and management skill and reviewed on structure and responsibility of one CPA's committee located in Sre Ei Community in the Protected Area with total participant 15 person (3 female).
- Strengthened Capacity of Ecotourism committee on leadership and management skill, ecotourism
  concept, review the structure and sub-group of ecotourism, produce the ecotourism plan and business
  plan to support the ecotourism group. The capacity building through provided training, meeting,
  coaching and organize exposure visit to learnt from the real experiences of successful ecotourism
  group in Cambodia.
- Supported and developed Ecotourism structure and identified the protentional areas and ecotourism's service.
- · Facilitated and develop the business group and saving group among CPA and ecotourism 's members.
- Improved livelihood and food security of community people especially the vulnerable and poor community people in target areas through provided capacity building and supported to started up the family's business, vegetable growing, rice growing and animal raising for additional income generation of community people.
- Improved Community Hygiene and Sanitation in Sre Ei community through WASH, hygiene and cleanliving activities in community, improved water accessibility of water connection by create community water group and improve community business group of produce pure drinking water.



organize annual reflection meeeting among CPA's comittee and members



support on native pig raising



A group photo of training and support goat raising



Water Connection System (Water Solar Pump)

#### **EVIDENCES (SUCCESS STORY)**



Mr. Nhit Theth, 29 years old is a farmer who is living at Sre Ei village, Romania, Senmonorum, Mondulkiri

poor community people in the village to join meeting to present about vision and mission to them. At that time, Mr. Nhit Theth also joined in the meeting and felt satisfied with Caritas work to promote of livelihood of poor people and finally he decided to register as the Community Protected Area-CPA member. He usually joined and attended training organized by CPA and Caritas. Among those set of livelihood activities, vegetable growing was his hobbies. At that time CPA have facilitated to form vegetable group and he has been selected by CPA as vegetable group member. Mr. Nhit Theth said that, "Before engaging with CPA, I have no knowledge or experience on agriculture techniques especially on vegetable growing. I never plant any types of

Livelihood project helps community members to generate income to support their living condition and often vital stream income. Vegetable is one of the alternatives for farmers to consider and select as their own source for family. Mr. Nhit Theth, 29 years old is a farmer who is living at Sre Ei village, of Romania commune, Senmonorum district, Mondulkiri. He got married to Mrs. Phoeun Champa and have got 2 children. His family depend on Non-Timber Forest Products-NTSP as the source of income to support family.

In 2023, Caritas has expanded its project to Romania commune and selected Sre Ei as the target village. In that time Caritas and local authority gathered



Mr. Nhit Theth is taking care of choy sum crops

vegetable at home. I usually buy it from the local market for family consumption." Currently, he noticed that, his capacity on vegetable has been improved in term of land preparation, seedling which resistance, biopesticide and compost making by using local resources which change his mindset and behaviour to adopt new introduced techniques on vegetable growing.



Mr. Nhit Theth is taking care of garlic crops

Recently, from the vegetable growing he could earn additional income as home-based income with 300,000 riels exclude family consumption. He feels satisfied with the result for his first time and he committed to extend his farm land bigger than twice as 150 m2 to 300m2 to get more result and income from vegetable growing to support their family need.

Lastly, he would like to gratitude thanks to CPA committees, Caritas and especially funding partner, SCAIF to contribute in kind and cash to motivate the indigenous people to change convention techniques and adopt new introduced techniques which consistence to currently climate change and promote of using local resource to make an additional income at home-based.













# EDUCATION FOR OUT OF SCHOOL CHILDREN (OOSC)

The project in title on **"Out of School Children (OOSC)"** is 3 years project period from 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2025 and project intervention focus on 42 primary schools in 10 provinces and 14 districts and 19 communes included Battambong, Kampong Cham, Kampong Thom, Mondulkiri, Preah Vihear, Siem Reap, Tbong Kmom, Kandal, Koh Kong and Sihanouk ville province. The project covered 4,623 Out of School Children (OOSC) newly enrolled for 3 years. The project goal and outcome as following:

The overall goal of project: Marginalized, out of school children in Cambodia will have access to equitable, quality, and relevant primary education.

Outcome 1: OOSC have increased equitable access to primary education opportunities.

Outcome 2: OOSC have received primary education with improved quality and relevance.

Outcome 3: OOSC duty bearers and rights holders have strengthened their mutual accountability.



School Enrollment Campaign for Children in Battambang province



#### **RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS 2023**

In 2023, there are 1,154 OOSCs new enrolment under supported by project to focus on main activities as following:

- 1. Supported OOSCs to increased new enrollment in 2023 through activities:
- Provided in-kind study materials support to 395 OOSCs (227 Female) in 41 schools in Battambong, Kampong Thom, Preah Vihear, Siem Reap, Mondolkiri, Kampong Cham, Tbong Kmom and Kandal province. The in-kind materials included school uniforms (1 suit of uniform, 1 bag) and study materials (5 books, 4 pens, 4 pencils, 1 pencil bag, 1 box of color pencils, 1 eraser, and 1 ruler)
- 2. Supported scholarship to 405 OOSCs (213 Female) in 40 schools as target areas of Battambong, Kampong Thom, Preah Vihear, Siem Reap, Mondolkiri, Tbong Kmom and Kandal province.
- **3.** Improved livelihood of OOSC's families through provided training and supported on vegetable growing and chicken raising to 212 OOSC's families in 5 provinces are Kampong Thom, Preah Vihear, Siem Reap, Mondolkiri and Battambong province.
- 4. Provided capacity building to 511 education actors (279 female) included youth club leader parent association, community people, school director and teachers. As the result as following:
- 78 Education actors (42 Female) in Battambong province received training and awareness on child Right/ Protection.
- 2 Education actors attended in reflection meeting on scholarship and in-kind support to OOSC in Siem Reap province.
- 26 Education actor (14 Female) in Kampong Thom, Preah Vihear, Mondolkiri and Siem Reap province attended training and meeting to reviewed on school management plan.
- 405 Education actor (223 Female) received training/ awareness on OOSC issue in Siem Reap, Kandal and Battambong province.
- 5. Provided awareness raising and meeting with relevant stakeholders to promoted new enrolment and discussed on OOSC issue among education actor, parent, local authority, community people and relevant stakeholders as following:
- Organized 3 awareness raising campaign with total participant 380 people (184 Female) in Siem Reap, Battambang and Kandal province through cooperated with education actors and local authority to promote new enrolment.
- Organized 3 meeting with total participant 405 people (223 Female) involved from relevant stakeholder to discussed on OOSC issue in target areas.
- Produce video of good practice on topic promote the advantage of in-kind/service support and scholarship support to OOSC in Mondulkiri province.



Support livelihood to OOSC's families



Students express their happiness after receiving beautiful bicycles supported by OOSC

#### **EVIDENCES (SUCCESS STORY)**

Mao Sophany is the second daughter of her family with 6/F3 members, she is 13 years old, studying in grade 6 at Bak Angrut Primary School. Her mother was born crippled in her left arm, and some fingers of her right hand and toes. After coming back from school, Sophany helps her mother by feeding her chicken and doing housework because her mother cannot work more because of her disability. She often goes to school on foot and sometimes she is late to class. or is absent, due to her house being far from school. Her study results are not so good, always gets poor numbers/grades in class.

She was very happy when getting a bicycle from the Caritas project. She loves it very much and takes it

Sophany is riding a bicycle from home to school

to go to school regularly. She felt happy and saved much time for her studies by getting more commitment to study hard. As a result, she was ranked 19<sup>th</sup> out of 45 students, an amazing result that she had never achieved before for the last three months. She said, "I will try to study harder to achieve the best result for the coming months of this academic year".



Finally, she is very thankful to the donors of the OOSC project and the Caritas Siem Reap organization that had very well collaborated with local community authorities to find out the poor children who needed assistance to support their studies. She wished "All of them to be healthy and successful with all obligations".

### **QUOTE OF ONE BENEFICIARY**

"I would like to thank so much Caritas staff, local leaders, mutual help group leaders and members, and other villagers, especially donors for their generosity and kind support for my family and other people. I wish them to have more Happiness, Long life, No illnesses, More income, and Healthier". She added "I will try to study hard more to achieve the best result for the coming months of this academic year and keep going to school regularly"





## SAFE MIGRATION AND ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING PROGRAM

**Caritas Cambodia** is implementing the project called "Support and Protection of Survivors of Human-Trafficking, Including Forced Internet Scamming in Cambodia" with funding supported from USAID through Winrock Cambodia, IJM and IOM.

The overall objective is to provide comprehensive support, care, and protection to victims and survivors of human trafficking, forced labor slavery, and internet scamming in Cambodia.

The target of the project is the victims and especially survivors of human trafficking included forced labor slavery, force marriage and especially online scamming in the country and cross border.

The project is committed to reach-out to 500 victims/survivors of human trafficking both non-Cambodian and Cambodian survivors as beneficiary.

#### The main activities of the project are the following:

- · Victims' identification and legal assistance
- Provide mean of needs to victims/survivors of all forms of human trafficking
- Provision of food and safe shelter
- Life skills training
- Psychosocial care
- Technical skills training
- Re-integration and repatriation
- Livelihood restoration and recovery

#### **RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS 2023**

In order to provide safe accommodation to victims/survivors, Caritas Safe Shelter has upgraded its capacity to accommodate up to 120 victims/survivors simultaneously through its available space

- ✓ The existing dormitories have been updated for improved safety and comfort.
- ✓ The Counselling and Interview Room: has been updated to provide a more supportive and private environment for interview, counselling, meetings and other sessions with survivors but need to equipping with comfortable equipment.
- ✓ The dining room has been updated to provide a welcoming and comfortable dining experience for survivors.
- ✓ The workshop and training room have been updated with appropriate equipment, technology and materials
  to facilitate different programs and training sessions.
- ✓ Security systems have been installed to ensure the safety of all residents and activities within the shelter.

#### **★** WHAT SPECIAL OF CARITAS SAFE SHELTER

- ✓ Unique shelter in Cambodia that can received both Cambodian and Non-Cambodian victims/survivors and all gender are provide equal opportunity to access.
- ✓ No limitation of target victims/survivors by providing same opportunity to all forms of human trafficking.
- ✓ Not only provide accommodation but engage survivors with life skill and social activities
- ✓ Provided welfare support such as safety and security, basic need and hygiene, counselling & medical care, short course skill, cultural & spiritual, engage to access legal assistant…etc.
- Recognized by government (all victims/survivors are referring from Ministry of Social Affair-Survivor Protection Department).
- ✓ In place facility and free space to late victims/survivors feel relax.

During the year victims/survivors access to Caritas's Safe shelter based in Kandal in 2023 with total 271Ps of which 103 are female:

CASE	DESTINATION	NATIONALITY	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
Force Labor	Korea	Cambodian	9	6	3
Force labor	Malaysia - Thai	Thai	1	1	0
Force labor	Malaysia	Cambodian	11	11	0
Force Marriage	China	Cambodian	62	0	62
Force labor	Cambodia	Iran	1	1	0
Labor Trafficking	China	Cambodian	1	1	0
Force labor	Cambodia	India	3	2	1
Migrant	Cambodia	American	1	1	0
Force Labour	Malaysia	Cambodian	6	3	3
Force for Online Scamming	Cambodia	Philippine	28	15	13
Force for Online Scamming	Cambodia	Malaysia	2	2	0
Force for Online Scamming	Cambodia	Thailand	5	3	2
Force for online scamming	Cambodia	Indonesia	43	36	7
Force for Online Scamming	Cambodia	Vietnamese	16	10	6
Force for Online Scamming	Cambodia	India	5	5	0
Sexual Trafficking/abuse	Laos	Cambodia	6	0	6

Force for online scamming	Cambodia	Chinese	19	19	0
Human Trafficking	Cambodia	Bangladesh	51	51	0
Human Trafficking	Cambodia	Sri-Lanka	1	1	0
		TOTAL	271	168	103

Among 271Ps, there are 146 non-Cambodian victims/survivors was repatriated back to their country of origin while 89 Cambodian victims/survivors was reintegrated to their family and community as well.

✓ **Repatriation Indonesian Survivor:** On 04<sup>th</sup> Oct 2023, 27 Indonesian survivors were repatriated. Upon their arrival at the airport, representatives from Caritas Indonesia were present to greet them and discuss the available services to assist these survivors. Currently, there are five cases that are being supported by IJM Indonesia.





Indonesian survivors arrived Soekarno–Hatta International Airport, Jakarta, Indonesia

✓ Repatriation Filipino Survivor: On December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 27 Filipino survivors were repatriated to their home country from Cambodia. They departed from Cambodia at 00:45 AM and arrived in Manila at 4:35 AM on the same date. It is expected that they will reach their respective home communities within four days after leaving Cambodia. Upon arrival in Manila, the survivors will undergo processing before being sent to their provinces and home communities by the Department of Migrant Workers of the Philippines, a process expected to be completed within three days.



27 Filipino Survivor at Phnom Penh International Airport prepared to repatriate to Philippines



Filipino Survivors arrived Ninoy Aquino International Airport, Manila, Philippines

✓ Reintegration 12 Cambodian survivors: Caritas Cambodia has provided support to 12 Cambodian survivors who were victims of sexual trafficking, forced labor, and forced marriage. These survivors have been reintegrated back into their families and communities under this project, which has been ongoing since September to December 2023 in 9 provinces: Kampong Chhang, Kampong Cham, Kampong Spue, Kampong Tom, Koh Kong, Phnom Penh, Kampot, Svay Rieng, and Sihanouk Ville.



Providing material assistance support to survivors



Providing material assistance support to another survivor

### Collaborate with relevant government agencies such as MoSVY, NCCT, AHT Police, and Immigration and Embassy to address the case

- ✓ Identify the survivors' case and refer them to Caritas for necessary assistance
- ✓ Conduct interviews with the victims/survivors to determine their specific needs and provide appropriate services.
- ✓ Prepare necessary documents and support the victims/survivors in their repatriation and integration process.
- ✓ Assist in ensuring a safe shelter for the survivors by maintaining regular contact and providing necessary resources.
- ✓ Organize meetings with relevant partners to discuss and find solutions to the survivors' situation
- ✓ Offer technical support to help the victims/survivors overcome their challenges and rebuild their lives
- $\checkmark$  Collaboration and support team to the survivors are well protected and ensure security and safety of the shelter.

#### Collaboration with NGO partner

- ✓ Establish partnerships with NGOs such as Winrock International, USAID, IJM, IOM, Marinol, LSCW, Chab Dai, Central, ADHOC, HAGAR, RENACE, Ratanak International, CWCC, Life with Dignity, World Hope
- ✓ Allocate a budget to support activities related to assisting and supporting victims/survivors.
- ✓ Share technical expertise with the team to foster learning and exchange of experiences.
- Actively participate in discussions and meetings to collaboratively find effective ways to help victims/ survivors.
- ✓ Assist the Caritas team in preparing necessary documents for victims/survivors' repatriation and integration process.
- ✓ Continue providing support to victims/survivors even after their repatriation and integration.
- ✓ Assign staff members to provide counseling services to victims/survivors.

#### **Future Direction**

- ✓ Provide assistant support to vulnerable and at risk migrants (not limited only identified cases/survivors of human trafficking)
- ✓ Strengthening networking with government departments, embassy and partner NGOs, CSOs
- ✓ Improving on service offerings/welfare support for victim/survivor during stay in shelter...
- ✓ More focusing on individual Case Management plan for each survivor, the needs upon arrival for recovery period, after care and restoration and try to engage survivors with relevance service provider.
- Maintain safe and secure shelter facilities with strict confidentiality measures to protect the privacy and safety of survivors. Ensure that the CCTV is well record and oversee 24 hours by security guard and secure entry procedures.

#### **EVIDENCES (SUCCESS STORY)**

 $^{\prime\prime}$  Leaving the pregnancy's wife to have a proper occupant  $^{\prime\prime}$ 



The survivors meet with Indonesia embassy representative in Cambodia and MOSVY to do case interview, and prepare for repatriation process

The Indonesian husband left the country while his wife was two months pregnant. He departed from his home country in 2023 for Cambodia in search of better job opportunities, as the family was living in extreme poverty. He left his home country, leaving his pregnant wife alone. He was deceived by traffickers who promised him a proper job with a monthly salary of \$1000 in Cambodia (online scamming). Upon arriving in Subsequently, he was directed to work at a hotel in Phnom Penh without payment.

The pregnant wife was unable to contact her husband for a long time. After delivering the baby, she felt frustrated and didn't know how to find her husband. She contacted her husband's friend, who accompanied her. Fortunately, she was able to get in touch and decided to travel to Cambodia by leaving her three-month-old baby at home with her grandmother. She spent some time gathering information about her husband's workplace and whereabouts. One day during lunchtime, she unexpectedly met her husband at the canteen where he was

working. They were both thrilled to see each other. Her husband arranged for her to work at the hotel where he was employed. One day, feeling unwell, the wife wanted to see a doctor. The hotel manager approved, but sent two Chinese bodyguards to accompany them. They obtained a medical prescription from the doctor and went to the pharmacy. Sensing something was amiss, they tried to evade the bodyguards. However, the guards accused them of theft and alerted the authorities. Fortunately, the police in Phnom Penh intervened and took them to the police station.

The Indonesian husband and wife stayed at the police post for a night before being definitively identified as victims of online scamming. They were then referred to the Central Organization to receive shelter services, and later to Caritas' Kandal. We felt safe and well-protected at the Caritas shelter. We now have new hope to return and see our little baby, whom we left with the grandmother for a couple of years.

#### $^{\prime\prime}$ The dream of 3 Indian survivors to have a dream job in 3<sup>rd</sup> country $^{\prime\prime}$



The survivors meet with Indian embassy representative in Cambodia to understand about the survivor's situation.

The group of Indian have been recused, and repatriate to the original country safety. The objectives of 3 of Indian come to Cambodia as the transit period then move to the 3rd country with to expect to have a proper job with properly income. They came to Cambodia since 25th, August 2022. They came to Cambodia by air way and the fee was covered by the traffic broker. The traffic broker guarantees that they work at the oversee to Brazil. After the airplane flight off, the traffic broker has brought to the one restaurant closely the Phnom Penh International airport.

The challenge has arisen without unexpected in Cambodia. The traffic broker always strongly promised to provided, but we actually got its 200 USD only within 2 months duration. Then 10 months more that we were staying there without payments. The most challenging when we face this situation, we did not know how find our new life and hope. We have issues to go back to our home country due to we have conflict with our religion' norm. We do hope that we will not survive if we will

back to our community. We really want to escape from this struggle life and situation and it is the first experience, and do not know to find the people support. We also lost our money totally 40,700 USD by the traffic broker to promised to get the new job at the 3rd country. Fortunately, we just work as the service at one restaurant in Cambodia only until the police anti-human trafficking recuse.

After leaving from Anti-human Trafficking polices office our new hope has been arise when they refer to Caritas Organization-Kandal Shelter. when we arrived there; food, accommodation, hygiene kid, and other services were provided with well support. We feel safe, and having a hope there. Our requested has been addressed and responded on transfer the traffic broker to the jail and refund my cash back. The broker was already arrested to the prison, and cash is continuing the procedure in the jail. While we were at Caritas have strongly collaborated, and network to work with kind of ministries, and our embassy to do repatriated our back to home country to other province without face on the dying condition. We feel have a new life when we escape from this struggle situation.

#### **OUR DONORS/PARTNERS**











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- CARITAS SPAIN
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- ONE BODY ONE SPIRIT MOVEMENT (OBOS)
- CARITAS SCOTLAND (SCIAF)
- CARITAS CZECH REPUBLIC
- NSSF/CDMD
- MISEREOR
- ABC TISSUE VISION
- MANOS UNIDAS
- MISSIO
- CARITAS JAPAN
- CARITAS ASIA
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- NGOs network/Private donor/Others
- Overhead cost from Programs
- SKILL DEVELOPMENT FUND
- INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE MISSION
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#### **GOVERNMENT PARTNERS AND LINE MINISTRIES**

- MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
- MINISTRY OF HEALTH
- MINISTRY OF INTERIOR, GENERAL DEPARTMENT OF PRISON
- MINISTRY OF LABOR AND VOCATIONAL SKILL TRAINING
- NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR DISASTER MANAGEMENT (NCDM)
- NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR COUNTER TRAFFICKING IN PRISON (NCCT)
- MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
- MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS, VETERAN AND YOUTH REHABILITATION
- MINISTRY OF LAND MANAGEMENT, URBAN PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION
- MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, AND FISHERIES

### **ACRONYMS**

ABCD	ASSETS BASED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
AC	AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVE
СС	CARITAS CAMBODIA
CCA	CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION
СН	COMMUNITY HEALTH
CHW	COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER
DRR	DISASTER RISK REDUCTION
DRM	DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT
GDP	GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT
нс	HEALTH CENTER
ICD	INTEGRATED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
IEC	INFORMATION EDUCATION COMMUNICATION
IGA	INCOME GENERATING ACTIVITY
МО	MEMBERS ORGANIZATION
мон	MINISTRY OF HEATH
MOU	MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
MSG	MOTHER SUPPORT GROUP
NGO	NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION
IGNO	INTERNATIONAL NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION
ODA	OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE
PDA	PROVINCIAL DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
PGS	PARTICIPATORY GUARANTEE SYSTEM
PHD	PROVINCIAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT
PME	PLANNING EVALUATION MONITORING
SG	SAVING GROUP
SMART	SPECIFIC, MEASURABLE, ATTAINABLE, RELEVANT AND TIME-BASED GOALS
ТВА	TRADITIONAL BIRTH ATTENDANT
TVET	TECHNICAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING
TWG	TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP
VDA	VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
VDAMC	VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING COMMITTEE
VHSG	VILLAGE HEALTH SUPPORT GROUP
WASH	WATER SANITATION HYGIENE

### **FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2023**

## SUMMARY FUND RECEIVED BY PARTNERS FOR YEAR 2023 (UNAUDITED)

PARTNERS	AMOUNT IN USD	PERCENTAGE
Caritas Germany-BMZ-Fund	337,574	11.18%
Caritas Cambodia Reserve Fund	184,566	6.11%
Caritas Germany	321,544	10.65%
MISSIO	94,473	3.13%
Caritas Australia	38,334	1.27%
Caritas Japan	30,000	0.99%
One Body One Spirit Movement (OBOS)	92,769	3.07%
Skills Development Fund (SDF)	5,354	0.18%
LOUVAIN COOPERATION	24,856	0.82%
Overhead Income	63,612	2.11%
NSSF/CDMD		0.00%
Misereor		0.00%
ABC Tissue Vision	1,246,103	41.26%
Aide et Action/Action Education	154,535	5.12%
USAID-WINROCK INTERNATIONAL	226,837	7.51%
International Justice Mission- IJM	35,343	1.17%
Manos Unidas	116,395	3.85%
International Organization for Migration- IOM	48,000	1.59%
Total Fund Received	3,020,296	100%

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## CARITAS CAMBODIA ANNUAL PROGRAM EXPENSES 2023

Code	Program Name	Amount (USD)	Percentage
СТЕН	Caritas Takeo Eye Hospital Programme	1,112,436	37.01%
ССАМН	Inclusive Development of Children and Adolescent Through Family and Community Empowerment	214,020	7.12%
NOAG	Cambodia Institutional Capacity Development Programme	207,497	6.90%
BMZ-SH	Program for promotion of comprehensive social inclusion of vulnerable persons living with psycho-social, social and physical disabilities and chronic diseases in Cambodia	337,760	11.24%
SRHE	Community Health Programme in Siem Reap	69,304	2.31%
SRBC	Support for Improvement of Livelihood Opportunities for Vulnerable Households Siem Reap Province	75,241	2.50%
KTSP	Community Development Programme in Kampong Thom Province	18,166	0.60%
PVCD	Community Development Programme in Preah Vihear Province	14,711	0.49%
FVSD	Vocational Skills Development for Young Women & Young Mothers with Children in Battambang	68,421	2.28%
MONK	Mondulkiri Indigenous People Integrated Community Development	45,848	1.53%
KLYD	Youth Vocational Development Training Program	24,548	0.82%
МОНЕ	Mondulkiri Community Health Program	119,331	3.97%
KRPR	KRATIE Comprehensive Prison Program	73,240	2.44%
NORF	Caritas Reserved Fund Programme	83,988	2.79%
CCLC	To establish and strengthen of community based care and support to protect and promote healthy diet and mental health well-being of the Cambodian population	20,832	0.69%
QIP	"QIP - Building the capacity of caregivers and professionals to empower children and adolescents with multiple disabilities and their families in Cambodia"	1,808	0.06%
IOM	sustainable livelihood recovery to vulnerable returned migrant workers and their families	79,607	2.65%
ODPR	Otdor Meanchey Prison Program	2,315	0.08%
BMZ-SSF	PROJECTION AND PROMOTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH RIGHTS IN ASIA, SUBPROGRAM CAMBODIA	90,616	3.01%
СТСР	Counter-Trafficking Casework Partnership Project	34,821	1.16%
PVMCH	Preah Vihear Community Health Programme	52,696	1.75%
CTIP	Cambodia Counter Trafficking In Person (CTIP)	122,606	4.08%
ccosc	AEA-Cambodia Consortium for Out of School Children project (CCOSC)	126,938	4.22%
SDF	Skill Development Fund (SDF)	9,197	0.31%

TOTAL EXPENDICTURE	3,005,948	100%

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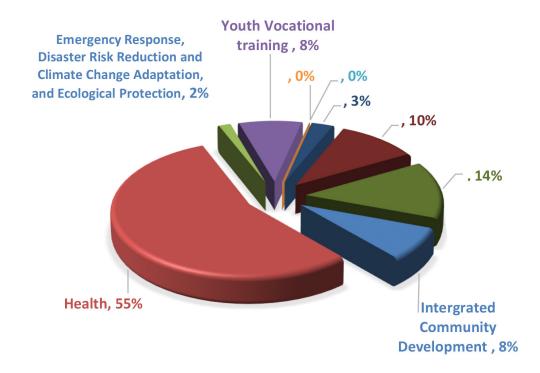
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## CARITAS CAMBODIA SUMMARY EXPENSE REPORT BY SECTOR 2023

CODE	SECTOR	AMOUNT IN (USD)	PERCENTAGE
<b>S</b> 1	Intergrated Community Development	240,374	8%
<b>S2</b>	Health	1,664,174	55%
<b>S</b> 3	Emergency Response, Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation, and Ecological Protection	45,848	2%
<b>S4</b>	Youth Vocational training	242,102	8%
<b>S</b> 5	Advocacy/Networking	-	0%
<b>S</b> 6	Gender and Women Emperwerment	-	0%
<b>S7</b>	Institutional Strengthening	83,988	3%
\$8	Migration and Human Anti-Tracfficking	314,652	10%
<b>S</b> 9	Disability Inclusive Development	414,809	14%

TOTAL EXPENDICTURE	3,005,948	100%

# **SUMMARY EXPENSE REPORT BY SECTOR FOR YEAR 2023 (Percentage)**



### **ABBRIVATION PROJECT NAME**

CODE	ABBREVIATION	PROJECT NAME	
P01	NOAG	Institutional Development Program / Caritas Operation Budget	
P02	PVCD	PVCD Preah Vihear Community Development Programme	
P03	SRCK	Siem Reap Community Development Programme in Chikreng	
P04	KTSP	Kampong Thom Integrated Development Programme-Supported by Inditex	
P05	RKCD	Rukhkiri Community Development Program	
P06	KCCD	Kampong Cham Develoment program	
P07	KCLP	CARITAS Kampong Cham Leprosy	
P08	IARM	INOVATION FOR AGRIBUSINESS AND RURAL MARKET PROJECT	
P09	MONK	Mondolkiri Integrated Development Programme	
P10	BKCD	Battambang Kampinh Puoy Community Development	
P11	ССАМН	Caritas CCAMH inclusive deveoplement program	
P12-A	BMZ-SH-CCAMH	Program for promotion of comprehensive social inclusion of vulnerable persons living with psychosocial, social and physical disabilities and chronic diseases in Cambodia	
P12-B	BMZ-SH-NO	Program for promotion of comprehensive social inclusion of vulnerable persons living with psychosocial, social and physical disabilities and chronic diseases in Cambodia	
P12-C	BMZ-SH-SRP	Program for promotion of comprehensive social inclusion of vulnerable persons living with psychosocial, social and physical disabilities and chronic diseases in Cambodia	
P13	CCLC	To establish and strengthen of community based care and support to protect and promote healthy diet and mental health well-being of the Cambodian population	
P14	SRHE	Siem Reap Community Health Programme	
P15	PVHE	Preah Vihear Community Health Programme	
P16	ВВНЕ	Battambang Community Health Programme	
P17	SRBC	Siem Reap Home Base Care Programme/Livelihood Program	
P18	SRPR	Siem Reap Prison Health Programme	
P19	KTPR	Kampong Thom Prison Health Programme	
P20	PVPR	Preah Vihear Prision Health Programme	
P21	KRPR	Kratie Prison Comprehensive Prison Program	
P22	MOPR	Mondulkiri Comprehensive Prison Program	
P23	PLPR	Pailin Comprehensive Prison Program	
P24	PSPR	Pursat Comprehensive Prison Program	
P25	RTPR	Rattanakiri Comprehensive Prison Program	

P26	STPR	Stung Treng Comprehensive Prison Program
P27	МОНЕ	Mondolkiri Community Health
P28	CBMZ	Measures for Adaption to Climate Change Program
P29	BRDP	Building Resilience and Disaster Preparedness of Communities in Kampong Chnang province
P30	CCA-C. Asia	Environmental Justic and Climate Change Adaptation Program
P31	EERP	Cambodia Emergency Response
P31-A	Covid-19 Pro#01	Covid-19 Immediately Reponse Food Assistance Project
P31-B	Covid-19 Pro#02	Covid-19 Immediately Reponse Food Assistance Project
P31-C	Covid-19 Pro#03	Covid-19 Immediately Reponse Food Assistance Project
P32	СМСН	Improving quality of maternal and child healthcare services in three hospitals in Kampong Chhnang province
P33	NORF	National Reserve Fund
P34-A	CBMZ	The Project Follow up and Extension of the Measure Adaptation to Climate Change in 03 Provinces of Cambodia
P34-B	CBMZ	The Project Follow up and Extension of the Measure Adaptation to Climate Change in 03 Provinces of Cambodia
P34-C	CBMZ	The Project Follow up and Extension of the Measure Adaptation to Climate Change in 03 Provinces of Cambodia
P35	KLYD	Youth Vocational Training Programme
P36	FVSD	Friendly Vocational Training for women and young mother with Children
P37-A	VTCP	Vocational training at 3 prisons Cambodia
P37-B	VTCP	Vocational training at 3 prisons Cambodia
P37-C	VTCP	Vocational training at 3 prisons Cambodia
P38	CECO	Community base Eco-Tourism in Community Protected Area
P39	СТЕН	Takeo Eye Hospital
P40	RVSD	Relevant Skill
P41	LOA-EERP	Emergency at Lao
P42-A	BMZ-SSF-NO	PROJECTION AND PROMOTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH RIGHTS IN ASIA, SUBPROGRAM CAMBODIA, BMZ SSF 2020-2022 _NO
P42-B	BMZ-SSF-KLYD	PROJECTION AND PROMOTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH RIGHTS IN ASIA, SUBPROGRAM CAMBODIA, BMZ SSF 2020-2022 _Kandal
P42-C	BMZ-SSF-BTB	PROJECTION AND PROMOTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH RIGHTS IN ASIA, SUBPROGRAM CAMBODIA, BMZ SSF 2020-2022 _Battambang
P42-D	BMZ-SSF-SR	PROJECTION AND PROMOTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH RIGHTS IN ASIA, SUBPROGRAM CAMBODIA, BMZ SSF 2020-2022 _Siem Reap
P43	QIP	"QIP - Building the capacity of caregivers and professionals to empower children and adolescents with multiple disabilities and their families in Cambodia"
P45	PLPR	Pailin Comprehensive Prison Program



P46	PSPR	Provincial Pursat Comprehensive Prison Program
P47	BBCD	Battambang Community Development Program
P48	Missio	Oddar Meanchey Comprehensive Prison Program
P49-A	IOM	sustainable livelihood recovery to vulnerable returned migrant workers and their families -NO
P49-B	IOM	sustainable livelihood recovery to vulnerable returned migrant workers and their familiesBTB
P49-C	IOM	sustainable livelihood recovery to vulnerable returned migrant workers and their families-BTC
P49-D	IOM	sustainable livelihood recovery to vulnerable returned migrant workers and their families-SR
P50	BMZ	Digital Initative
P51	CRS	COVID-19 MIGRANT RESPONSE 2021
P52	МОНЕ	MONDULKIRI COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAM
P53	Client Contribution	CENTER FOR CHILD AND ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH
P54	СТСР	Counter-Trafficking Casework Partnership Project
P55	SDF	Skill Development Fund (SDF)
P56	PVMCH	Preah Vihear Community Health Programme
P57	CCOSC	AEA-Cambodia Consortium for Out of School Children project (CCOSC)
P57-A	CCOSC-BTB	Cambodia Consortium for Out of School Children project (CCOSC)
P57-B	CCOSC-KTH	AEA-Cambodia Consortium for Out of School Children project (CCOSC)
P57-C	CCOSC-SR	Cambodia Consortium for Out of School Children project (CCOSC)
P57-D	CCOSC-CCAMH	AEA-Cambodia Consortium for Out of School Children project (CCOSC)
P57-E	CCOSC-YDP	Cambodia Consortium for Out of School Children project (CCOSC)
P57-F	CCOSC-PVH	AEA-Cambodia Consortium for Out of School Children project (CCOSC)
P57-G	CCOSC-MDK	Cambodia Consortium for Out of School Children project (CCOSC)
P58	CTIP	Cambodia Counter Trafficking In Person (CTIP)

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