

### **SAMAKI PRMARY SCHOOL PROJECT**

*Funded by Rotary Club of Dalkeith and Smith, Robinson & Mulgrew families  
(Perth, Australia)*

Samaki primary school situated approximately 120 Km from the city of Battambang serves villages in Tasen Commune, Kamrieng District. This is located close to the Thai border. As illustrated below the road to the area presents great challenges especially during rainy season.



Dr. Samnang, director of CFS first visit to school site

The previous 3-roomed school that served 132 children was in very poor condition with major structural problems and a leaky roof. Although the Ministry of Education was aware of the problems they did not have the resources to fund the construction/repairs.

In 2017 visitors from Perth, including the Smiths, visited the old school. Dalkeith Rotary Club of Dalkeith, of which Dave Smith is a member, then generously provided funds for a bore to be drilled at the site, repair the toilets and provide water for the children to hand-wash in early 2018.

Late in 2018 the Smiths and friends visited again.



The completed toilets, bore and pump and hand-washing facilities





Inspection of the old school by visitors from Perth in November 2018.

Subsequent discussions between the villagers and village leader discussed the need for a new school as it seemed that the old one was beyond repair.





Much of the initial groundwork for the new structure was done by the villagers in close collaboration with CFS staff.





The new school building from the rear perspective



View from the front



Adequate water storage for drinking and hand-washing



New desks and seats were provided





A whiteboard in the classroom



Happy and proud children wearing new school uniforms in their new classroom



Teachers and children wave a heartfelt “thank you” to the generous donors –the Smith, Robinson and Mulgrew families from Perth and Rotary Club of Dalkeith

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