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## Japan Provides US\$191,744 for Realization of Sustainable Life Environment in Teacher Education College

The Government of Japan has agreed to provide US\$191,744 to Nature Center Risen under the framework, *the Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO Projects*. The Grant Contract has been signed today between H.E. Mr. MIKAMI Masahiro, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the Kingdom of Cambodia, and Ms. IWAMA Miyoko, the President of Nature Center Risen, to carry out the project for "Realization of Sustainable Life Environment through mainly the teaching practical environmental education in Teacher Education College (Year 3)".

In this project, Nature Center Risen will establish a continuous training system of environmental education from pre-school to lower secondary school in Cambodia through revising its instruction books for teachers, publishing the environmental education textbooks for students and providing support for Pre-School Teacher Training Center. It will contribute to helping Cambodian people become more aware of environmental issues.

The Grant Assistance for Japanese NGO Projects started in Cambodia in 2002 to support activities by Japanese NGOs to help Cambodia's reconstruction and development efforts at the grassroots level. Since 2002, the Government of Japan has provided over US\$37 million for 121 projects, mainly in the field of primary education, health, agriculture and mine clearance in Cambodia.

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