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Vehicle for project implementation and outreach services in Banteay Meanchey Province, Kampong Chhnang Province and Kandal Province, Cambodia.

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Background

The goal of this project was to reduce the incidence of needless disability and disease among the poorest people in underserved rural communities in Banteay Meanchey Province, Kampong Chhnang Province and Kandal Province in Cambodia through provision of an all-terrain vehicle. Purchase of the vehicle would enable the IMPACT Cambodia team to implement project activities through health clinics, many of which have been equipped thanks to the generosity of the Fondation Eagle.

Since purchasing the Toyota Hiace in December 2019, the vehicle has been instrumental in enabling IMPACT Cambodia to expand their programmes and reach out to the very remotest communities in their project areas. The new vehicle has ensured that project activities can run without disruption throughout the year and are not curtailed during the rainy season.

“I am so happy that we have been provided with this new van, because it will definitely be going to last long. We could have spent the whole day or might have faced some difficulties on the road, which would make it take a long time to reach people. It used to be like that, when the car suddenly stopped functioning. It was very dangerous and it wasted so much time back then. With this vehicle, we spent much less time to reach the people who need our help. Receiving this is such a beautiful gift for IMPACT Cambodia.”

- Tuot Sophors, Driver.



Progress update

Provision of the vehicle has been vital in ensuring our team are able to travel to project areas safely and quickly. Most of IMPACT Cambodia's disability prevention work and clinics take place in remote villages which are difficult to access. Highlights of IMPACT Cambodia's activities since purchasing this new vehicle include:

- IMPACT Cambodia's two audiogram clinics located in Preah Angdoug – Cambodia's national hospital and Chey Chumneas hospital screened more than 700 people.
- The medical and outreach team has continued to visit health centres and referral hospitals across Kandal and Banteay Meanchey provinces to conduct ENT screening. In Kandal, 70% of the local people are farmers whose health is compromised by fertilisers and pesticides. Approximately 70% of those screened had rhinitis and required medication. 20 patients were transported to Chey Chumneas hospital for surgery. In Banteay Meanchey, 396 people were screened and treated by IMPACT Cambodia's medical team, 38 of which were referred for surgery at Preah Angdoug hospital.
- On the spot ENT Screening and Treatment was conducted at two new Health Centers; Chma Health Center, Thmor Pouk District and O Bey Chorn, Poi Pet District. The team screened 360 patients, 56 patients were referred for surgery.
- The 1,000 Day Programme continued across Namtao and Prek Rey, with excellent participation and engagement from the local community. 163 pregnant women attended the project in Prek Rey and 30 mothers attended at Namtao Health Centre.
- As part of the 1,000 Day Programme, the team have begun to identify mothers with children showing signs of autism, and providing education and support.
- The team continue to provide vegetable seeds and kits to mothers in Kendal Province and Banteay Meanchey through the 1,000 Day Programme.

New project areas

Thanks to the provision of the new vehicle IMPACT Cambodia's outreach team have been able to reach extremely remote communities in Ratanakiri province. In January 2020, travelling over 500 km on an 8 hour journey, the team conducted a monitoring visit to the area to research and evaluate the need for 1,000 Day Programme activities and maternal and child health services in health clinics and referral hospitals. Their findings showed a huge lack of healthcare facilities and a great need for vital maternal health services and equipment specifically in the Banlung Referral Hospital. Thanks to the generous funding from Fondation Eagle earlier this year, the team were able to offer support to the Banlung Referral Hospital to improve the health of women and babies accessing health services.



Outreach activities January – April 2020



	Budget	Expenditure
Item	£ GBP	£ GBP
Capital Costs		
Purchase of Vehicle – Toyota Hiace	35,500	35,500
Tax	200	200
Subtotal	35,700	35,700
Running Costs		
Gas for 1 year	2,000	500
Maintenance for 1 year	200	
Subtotal	2,200	36,200
Project management @ 5%	1,895	600
TOTAL	39,795	36,800

Your vital support is greatly appreciated by all of us at IMPACT UK and our local partner in Cambodia, who are now able to transport field staff between the various target communities safely, provide transport for sick patients to health facilities and screening/treatment camps, deliver equipment and medical supplies to outlying villages, and to distribute essential components of the 1,000 Days Programme. Thank you, we look forward to updating you further on the progress of the project in due course.