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Improving maternal health services at Svey Health Centre and providing emergency food assistance in Kampong Chhnang Province, Cambodia

Funds received: 15/12/21 Amount of grant: GBP 21,528

Conversion rate: Exchange rate based on 1 GBP = 1.34 USD (17/11/21)

Total number of beneficiaries: 3,819 interventions [1,819 mothers and babies have benefited from maternity care + 1,500

people have benefited from food parcels, 500 of whom also benefited from a water filter]

Expenditure: GBP 21,528

#### **Background**

Kampong Chhnang Province is one of the poorest provinces in Cambodia. Located in north western Cambodia, 91km from Phnom Penh, and 100 km from the southern end of the Tonlé Sap River, 60-70% of the land in the region is prone to flooding during the rainy season. Households have limited financial stability and literacy rates are low. Since the COVID-19 pandemic, many families have sold their land at a low price in order to pay debts and they are now forced to live in insecure housing or in overcrowded homes with other families. Thanks to the generous funding from Foundation Eagle, IMPACT Cambodia (IC) has delivered emergency food assistance parcels and water filters to the poorest families in Longvek Commune. The IC team have also overseen the delivery of essential maternity equipment to Svey Health Centre, which lies at the heart of this community.



# **Report on activities**

## **Emergency food parcels and water Filters**

Emergency food parcels were procured and distributed to 300 families from eight villages in Lungvek Commune. All 300 families hold 'BPL' cards, which officially identifies them as living below the poverty line. 100 of the beneficiary families held a Level 1 card and 200 families held a Level 2 card. Each parcel contained 25kg of rice; two boxes of noodles; two boxes of canned fish; one box of soy sauce; salt; two liters of cooking oil; four bars of soap; three packs of detergent; and face masks. 100 water filters were distributed to the families holding a Level 1 BPL card [the poorest of the poor].

'The project commenced in early 2022. At that time, the COVID-19 situation in Cambodia was still up and down. People were afraid of the rapid spread of the Omicron Variant. Because we were not allowed to make gatherings or conduct large scale events, we decided to implement the project at eight different places and phases. This was to comply with the statement from the Ministry of Health, to only hold meetings of less than 50 people at one time." Rasmi Sophoan, IMPACT Cambodia

#### **BPL** cards

'In Cambodia, the government supplies families with a 'Below Poverty Level' card. This system is used to identify families that are living below the poverty line and require help and support from local organisations. Level 1: Families that live on state land. Level 2: Families that live on state land but have access to a bicycle'

Sonita Pong, IMPACT Cambodia







#### **Individual IMPACT**

Pring Phorn, pictured below, is 92 years old and was one of the people to benefit She lives with her grandson in Anlung Tnoat Village. Her grandson is 12 years old. His parents have migrated in search of work in another part of Cambodia.

She told the outreach team; 'I am very happy and thankful for your donations. I am very old and I cannot walk far from home. I am responsible for looking after my grandson whilst his parents are away working, they

send us money when they can but it is not always enough for food. Your kindness really mean a lot for us. I, myself, would not be able to buy this much of food. This is the very first time ever that I received this big donation.' Pring Phorn



### **Maternity Equipment**

Svey Health Centre is located in Phsar Trach Village, Longvek Commune, Kampong Trorlach District, Kampong Chhang Province. There are two communes of 21 villages in its cathchment with a total population of 26,107; 11,180 are women. The maternity equipment kindly funded by Fondation Eagle was delivered by the IC team in February 2022.

In numbers: January – March 2022

OPD: 1,082 cases

Antenatal care: 651

Postnatal care: 270

Birth spacing: 164

Vaccinations for children

under two: 734

- Over 4,000 women of reproductive age have access to maternity care through Svey Health Centre
- Midwives assist with 15 20 deliveries every month
- Children receive vital health monitoring from birth and vaccinations are provided
- Complicated deliveries are referred to the main hospital





Sothy Khor, Pictured on the right, is a Midwife at Svey Health Centre, she has been working at the Health Centre for over ten years.

'We really do appreciate the equipment that IC has donated to the health center. IC has solved the problems that we used to face right on time. The equipment that we had was not enough to meet the actual needs. I have never imagined of having these standard equipment like delivery bed and Oxygen production machine to appear in our unit. My work has become a lot easier and faster than before. This place is a place of hope for the people in this area, especially, for the vulnerable ones. We always want to provide health care service for everyone as best as we can possibly do.'







### **Individual IMPACT**



Bun Chanty, 28, came to Svay Health Centre for her first prenatal visit. She was in her third month pregnancy, and is her first pregnancy. She left her hometown and came to live in Lungvek Commune with her husband. Her husband works as a construction worker and she works at a garment factory.

'The staff here are very friendly and they take good care of me. I will definitely come to have delivery here because I feel safe, secure and comfortable. I was told by the neighbour to come to receive health care service here because I could not afford the private clinic.'

## **Expenditure**

Item/Activity	Budget	Expenditure
Medical Equipment for Svey Health Centre		
<b>Delivery materials:</b> Episiotomy & Mayo dissecting scissors x2; Allis tissue forceps; Vaginal speculum (different sizes); Forceps (Long haemostatic, tissue, artery and dressing x 2); Dressing scissors x2; scalpel handle x 2, Kidney basin x 2; Needle holder x 2; Urinary catheters x 2; Portable aspirator x 2; Tray instruments x 2; Sterile instrument boxes x 2; Compress box; Foetal doppler		
	1,300	1,300
Suction unit	260	260
Gynaecological operating table	1,330	1,330
Oxygen production machine	1,889	1,889
Subtotal	4,779	4,779
Emergency Food assistance parcels		
Rice	2,937	2,937
Noodle	1,772	1,772
Cooking oil	1,108	1,108
Canned fish	2,659	2,659
Soy sauce	997	997
Salt	332	332
Soap	554	554
Detergent	664	664
Water filters	3,300	3,300
Subtotal	14,323	14,323
Programme costs		
Logistics and transportation	1,420	1,420
Project Management 5% (IMPACT Cambodia)	1,025	1,025
Subtotal	2,426	2,426
Grand Total	21,528	21,528

Exchange rate based on 1 GBP = 1.34 USD (17/11/21)

## Thankyou

We greatly appreciate your support for IMPACT Cambodia as they work to support incredibly vulnerable communities in Kampong Chhnang Province. So many families have benefited from food parcels and water filters, Fondation Eagle's support really has eased the burden at a time of great need. The staff who work at the Svey Health Centre are so grateful for your support and intend do everything in their power to encourage more women to attend antenatal check-ups at the centre in order to ensure a healthy pregnancy for each mother and ultimately increase the maternal mortality rate in this underserved region of Cambodia.

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KAMPONG CHNANG PROVINCE KAMPONG TRORLACH DISTRICT LUNGVEK COMMUNE Lungvek, Date: 09 June 2022

# TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

This is to certify that, IMPACT-Cambodia has been working in Kampong Chnang Province since 2017. Lately, IMPACT-Cambodia has completed a food relief distribution for the COVID-19 pandemic affected poor population. The food distribution took place in eight different villages from Lungvek commune, Kampong Trorlach district, Ratnakiri Province. A total of 300 poor families (20 to 50 families from each village) was benefitted from the project.

I wish IMPACT-Cambodia success in future endeavors.



**Head of Lungvek Commune**