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WASH support for Kean village

Grant Report



Location: Community Empowerment: Kean village, Koh Chum commune, Kandieng districts, Pursat Province, Cambodia.

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Project Overview

This project provided water sanitation to families who are living in Kean village. These villages are about 22 kilometers northwest of Sustainable Cambodia's office. In most communities of the village, the villagers are facing a challenge with no access to clean water for drinking and family consumption.

To achieve the objective above, staff from Sustainable Cambodia worked with the village development committees (VDCs) made up of the residents of the area, to identify families who are in the highest need, and set up the process for the sustainability of the project after the project completed.

Achievements

❖ 2 family Latrines

- ✚ Installed below-ground structures of 2 latrines in Kean village, constructed by a construction company who offered a low price but with a quality guarantee. The latrine benefited 2 families with a total of 9 people (5 women). Having access to a latrine reduce disease from fecal matter and prevent the contamination of water source in the community. Before having latrines in the community, the family members defecate in the rice field, which affects the community people's health who use water sources from the field or channel without treatment. The families will have to build the roof and wall for their latrine by themselves using available materials in their community. The families feel excited about their new latrines and made a commitment to using the latrine and will stop open-defecation. The girls in the families are the happiest ones as they now feel more comfortable and safer with using the latrine rather than open-defecation.



Photos: Simple latrines that villagers build roof and wall from grass or palm leaf.

- ✚ 4 Tulip water filters were provided and installed to the 4 families, benefiting a total of 17 people (9 women). Clean drinking water has a huge impact on families' lives especially children. Children and parents are no longer needed to collect wood and spend time boiling water, or in some cases, drinking the water directly without any treatment. Children can use this time now to study and have fun. The water filters help the families to stay healthy and save money from spending on treating water-borne diseases.
- ✚ Provided follow-up training to all families to reinforce their understanding of using the filters, and to help them establish a new habit of drinking the water from the filter.



Photos: 4 families received Tulip filter from the project.

❖ Rooftop Rainwater Harvesting tanks

- Two families with a total of 15 people (6 women) have one RRH installed at their home, providing the family with 4,000 liters of clean water to use throughout the dry and hot season. The location where the families live is too dry and a well cannot be drilled there. RRH is the closest water source that the families can access. Before having the RRH, the families have to walk thousands of meters and spend almost half their day collecting water for their families. Sometimes when the parents are busy, the children would be late or miss school due to them spending time collecting water for their families.



Photos: Villagers using water from tank to wash clothes.



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