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Primary School is still in a good utilization in Bortakai Village since the completion of 3 years ago.

Bortakai village is a Khmu ethnic of Kum ban Nathong at Namor District in Oudomxay Province has a total population of 343 people, 174 women, and 66 families. In the past, accessing to the infrastructure, especially the schools, were in old traditional structure and incomplete schools and were inadequate due to too many students and in the rainy season the school roof was leaking caused unable to study.
Therefore, in the Kum ban Development Plan (KDP) Meeting, the village representatives of Bortakai village and representatives from other villages in the Kum ban have consulted and endorsed the KDP's Priorities. And then, the District Planning and Cooperation Meeting was organized which involved by various concerned sectors, Kum ban representatives, representatives from other INGOs, NGOs and other local development agencies working in the district and through the consultation, Bortakai village got supported by PRF in 2017. The village received a 03 class-rooms primary school construction which costs over 263 million kip, included the community contribution both in local materials and labour calculated as about 27 million kip.

The Primary school construction was started in early 2017, but with the needs of the villagers themselves to be ownership for the construction; they contributed and other labours. In addition, the local authority of the village is actively supporting which enable to contribute the materials available in the village in timely manner for the construction as well as to monitor the quality of the materials that the contractor has brought to the site to ensure that all materials met as the standard of design and the construction is strictly followed as an agreed design plan with a high responsibility. The community has divided their responsibility clearly. The village implementation team (VIT) followed up the school construction each day. Therefore, the school construction was completed in the mid 2017 as planned. After the completion of the construction, in order to have the school construction sustainability and a long-term utilization, PRF coordinated with technical from Education Sector provided the training on Operation and Maintenance (O&M) for O&M unit at the village to ensure that the villagers can repair schools by themselves when it is broken.

In the case of a big damage which over the capabilities, they will propose for help with the concerned sectors at district level to help repair. In addition, the villagers also set up the O&M village fund for the sub-project as well which they can use money from the O&M village fund to repair the sub-project in the future. To ensure that the village fund can be used correctly and transparently, the villagers also set up the responsibility management team for the O&M village fund and sub-projects obviously by agreeing to collect 10,000 kip per family per year. Up to now the village fund can the fund has been able to accumulate 1,980,000 kip. In addition, in order to manage and maintain the school in a good condition, the community has also built a fence around the school and planted trees and flowers around the school.

Mr. Ounkham, secretary of the village Party, Head of the Bortakai village said: "Our villagers are very happy to have this new school building for our children to study in. We all will help together to maintain this school for long-term utilization worth with the Government's wise investment and highly thanks for the Government."