

Facts

Name	Rural Indigenous Sustainable Education (RISE)
Type of facility	School Campus
No. of students/teachers	Currently 60+
No. of RISE staff	8
No. of classrooms (to be built by us)	4 classroom building, a boarding house, a kitchen, 8 toilets, 2 shower rooms, 2 store rooms, and a water system
Size of building	School: 334 m ² Boarding house: 501 m ²
Budget	USD 180,163
Construction period	July 2019 – March 2020
Project manager	Mr. That Lwin Oo
Location	No. 51, Circular Street, (Bali Lane), Ward 7, Pyin Oo Lwin, Mandalay Division, Myanmar

Description

Rural Indigenous Sustainable Education (RISE) is located in Pyin Oo Lwin, Mandalay Division, Myanmar; in the Shan Highland at an altitude of 1,070 meters. The military post town has an estimated population of around 255,000 residents. RISE is an organisation established by a coalition of indigenous civil society organisations (CSOs) with a shared mission to ensure a high quality, culturally appropriate education for indigenous children in Myanmar. RISEs focus lies on the most marginalised indigenous children from remote border regions, who have been affected by poverty and decades of conflict with the Myanmar Government. The Pre-service Teacher Training programme was first established in the Thai border town of Mae Sot in 2010 and has over 350 graduates to date. The Teacher Preparation Course (TPC) programme has been suspended since February 2016 following RISE's move from Mae Sot, Thailand to Pyin Oo Lwin in Mandalay, Myanmar. In the meantime, the TPC curriculum has been further developed and modified by RISEs training team and our own Mote Oo curriculum developer and is now ready for use. While RISE await the construction of the new TPC building that will accommodate up to 100 student/teachers, RISE started the course for a smaller cohort of 40-60 student/teachers at the RISE training centre in Pyin Oo Lwin in June 2018. RISE is currently working in Mon, Kayin, Kayah, Shan, Kachin and Chin States & Tanintharyi, Bago and Sagaing Regions. RISE partner organisations have been successfully implementing a variety of education programmes together since 2011. In 2017, RISE efforts reached 343,649 students, 21,846 teachers and 4,009 schools and brought 12,534 out-of-school children back into school classrooms. This is a huge success. However, RISE estimates there are currently over 700,000 out-of-school children in their areas.

Implementation

We will support RISE with the construction of a four classroom concrete building, a two-storey boarding house, a kitchen, eight toilets (4 for girls and 4 for boys), two shower rooms (1 for boys and 1 for girls), two store rooms, and a water system for a more reliable water supply. In addition, we will also support RISE by clearing and levelling the construction site to remove surplus materials and unwanted vegetation; building fences around the school campus to keep farm animals from damaging the property, and electrical wires to connect the school campus to the main power grid. The school provides their own curriculum and an income generation plan to further sustain the school operation is in place. Our support, separately also covers the running cost of the programme including teachers' salaries and the day-to-day operations. We are in the 2nd year of our running cost support for the pre-service teacher training under a different programme, financially not connected to this construction. For the actual construction work, a professional contractor is hired. He will not only be responsible for the labour but also for purchasing the required materials and its transportation to the site. The contractor will be paid in instalments, through RISE, according to the progress of the construction work. 5% of the total labour cost will be held back for one year as a guarantee for the quality of the work. The facilities will be managed and cared for by RISE after the construction is completed. We consider this a low-risk project as there is sustainability from ongoing management and upkeep from RISE. Our previous experience with RISE was also very positive. The construction work is planned to start in July 2019 and expected to finish in March 2020. This project is accessible all year round.

Map



Photos



Our field coordinators meeting with the RISE staff.



The location of the new RISE school campus is about 30 minute drive from the city centre of Pyin Oo Lwin.

Budget

Item	FX USD/MMK 1,528		
	MMK	USD	In %
Construction Materials	157,583,500	103,131	57
Labour Cost	77,970,400	51,028	28
Partner Cost	2,047,000	1,340	1
Transportation Cost	4,456,100	2,916	2
Water Supply	3,720,000	2,435	1
Monitoring & Implementation Cost	10,240,708	6,702	4
Administration Overhead	19,270,150	12,611	7
Total Budget	275,287,858	180,163	100



Planning and visiting the project site. The new school campus will be erected on this piece of land.



The current rented centre for a group of 40-60 student/teachers in Pyin Oo Lwin is made out of welded iron frames and concrete board walls.