

# CAMBODIA POSITION PAPER



**\$1,250,000 AUD** COMMITMENT IN 2017

**143 OUT OF 188 COUNTRIES** HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX\*

**15.4 MILLION (2014)** POPULATION\*

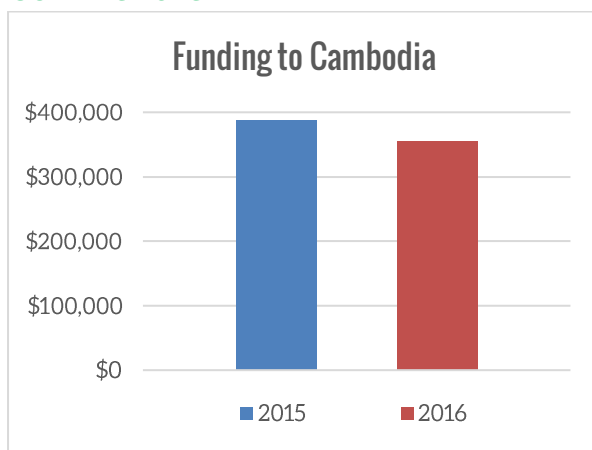
## Strategic Directions

Australian Marist Solidarity is committed to enabling access to education for the most marginalized people within Cambodian society who are often excluded from schooling, thus we prioritize our work within two key sectors:

- Disability
- Rural young people

We seek to achieve change by partnering with the two communities of Pailin, Pailin Province, and Takhmao, Kandal Province, and work aligned with the Australian Council for International Development targeting the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals. Within these strategic partnerships, Australian Marist Solidarity also seeks to work with the local authorities to provide health services to remote communities.

## Commitment



## Program Highlights

- 18 students graduated grade 6 from LaValla School for children and young people with a physical disability, with 106 total students enrolled in 2016/17.
- Over 200 rural students accessed free after-school classes.
- 90 students with a physical disability lived in supported accommodation whilst completing secondary and tertiary education.
- 1,974 people accessed free healthcare in rural Pailin Province through a two-year outreach project.

## Our Vision

Australian Marist Solidarity will continue to invest in the current projects and will significantly increase our commitment across the key sectors through the development of two major capital projects:

- Construction of a community village for 80 children and young people with a physical disability.
- Construction of a hostel in Pailin to facilitate secondary education for up to 144 rurally disadvantaged youth.