**Action Against Hunger — CAMBODIA**

**Cambodia without malnutrition among vulnerable communities**

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**People served in 2016**

- **Nutrition:** 2387 children received nutritional support.
- **Food Security and Livelihood interventions:** 1290 people reached.

**Our partners**

Google, WFP, AFD and GIZ. Ministries of Health, Women Affairs, Rural Development and Agriculture. Subnational authorities, local businesses and villagers associations.

**Our presence in Cambodia**

Phnom Penh, Preah Vihear and Kampong Thom.

**Stronger together:** villagers team up to build a warehouse for their rice bank in Preah Vihear province.

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How we work? Examples of interventions:

Sanitation Social Marketing – a no subsidy approach to WASH
A threefold approach aiming at working simultaneously on the demand, the supply side, and the financial access to improved sanitation equipment. Our approach guarantees ownership from all our participants: local authorities, local business owners, and buyers. While we train and offer technical support to local business owners who aim at providing quality sanitation equipment at an affordable price, we also raise the awareness of communities to trigger demand and facilitate their access to micro-finance for sanitation equipment (latrines, hand washing stations and water filters).

FFA/FFT – Community-led resilience improvement
The aim of this approach implemented in partnership with WFP is to improve food security and access to water in rural communities through rice banks, and food for assets/food for training activities. Beneficiaries improve their community’s infrastructure through manual labor aiming at building assets such as family ponds, rice warehouses,... and receive rice and tools in exchange of their work or participation to technical trainings. Rice banks allow households who reach a period of food insecurity to borrow rice or rice seeds from the community, while family ponds help prevent water-shortage and improve food security.

Social Behaviour Change – Spreading good practices in hygiene, nutrition and health through the Care group approach
Community members (usually women) are trained to spread key messages to their neighbors about good practices and behaviors in terms of post-natal care, nutrition of pregnant women and children under 5, hygiene, sanitation,... The peer-to-peer approach ensures better ownership of the intervention, adaptation of the messages to the local context, and sustainability.

Advocacy – Advocating for increased commitments and actions to treat and prevent undernutrition
Action Against Hunger Cambodia is one of the key actors in the creation, structuration and operationalization for the Scaling-Up Nutrition Civil Society Alliance (SUN-CSA) in Cambodia since its inception in early 2016. Action Against Hunger Cambodia has also provided insights and supports to organization and implementation of nutrition-related interventions by the government and relevant stakeholders.

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