Hello Everyone !

Have you missed news from Douglas A Campbell Foundation in 2020? Of course, we haven't been anywhere this year BUT work has gone on. Happy New Year anyway!

This is what we have accomplished during this complex, uncertain, chaotic year.

## 1: IRD: Integrated Rural Development



IRD Empowers community people in selected families of the poorest and most disadvantaged to lead and manage development plans of their family and community. Direct Target Group: 200 families will be benefited from activities of self-help groups, agriculture cooperatives, agriculture training and products in 6 villages. At least 1200 families who open defecate in 35 villages and at least 2000 school children based in 17 primary schools.

Indirect Target Group: At least 2500 families based in 38 villages and 6 communes/Sangkat that can be involved indirectly in project activities, and around 300 children, while their parents get support from the project, they will be able to access resources for higher education.

2: **EQU+** is the program for rural Indian children who are taken to cities for their parents to find work and have never been or almost never been in school. This means that they cannot join the normal school program and even when they do, they need extra lessons.

Amazingly, the teachers we had employed for the classes took to feeding many of the families during lockdown, distance teaching and even going door to door to help the children in their studies when lockdown was slightly relaxed.

3: **CRP** (Collateral Repair Project) is a program for mainly Yemeni, Sudanese and Somali refugees, in Jordan who are fleeing conflict. They receive different kinds of help from food vouchers to basic training programs.

4: **Moanoghar** Health program. We supply salaries and medicines for the school's mini hospital and dispensary and for the outreach program of clinics in the villages around the school. Over 2,500 people received help this year!

5: **PNC** is the fabulous 2-year IT training program for boys and girls so that they can get excellent jobs. We have 2 students in second year and 3 new students.

6: **Bright Hill Nursing Home** in Korea and houses about 120 elderly people. While running costs are covered by the government pensions, machinery (washing machines etc.) are almost impossible to find funds for. This year we supported the buying of a new industrial washing machine.

7: A friend working in a halfway house for schizophrenics in Switzerland buys basic necessities for those moving into sheltered housing. (Amazingly, often there is almost nothing in the apartments they move into!)

8: **STEP** is a 6-month sewing program for girls from rural India with no other possible training. Some go on to make sewing a business, others save money by sewing for their families.

9: **CATALYST** is the tertiary education program. We have committed to supporting 15 girls for 3 years, 2020-2022. The girls are studying accounting, management, agriculture, and hospitality. During the COVID restrictions they mostly study on their phones. So, we are trying to see how it might be possible to get them laptops or iPads. (Please see the attached PDF collage of most of the girls!)

10: **DIVONN'HELP** is an organisation of medical staff who transport used medical machinery and medicines to **Senegal.** We offered to pay the transport fees for the second year but as nothing could happen, it will be transferred to next year.

11: Partial salary for **kindergarten teacher** in Sri Lanka. Due to our help, the school is able to receive more kids.

So you can see the we have not fallen asleep!

Off we go into 2021 full of projects to continue to see if we cannot help this sad, unequal world just a tiny bit. Our motto

## Maximum Impact for Minimum Input!

Join us, if you like; there is always something great that anyone can do and, if we do all pull together, maybe things may change just a little a bit and at least we will know that we tried HARD...

May you all be well, safe and happy, mujin

PS. Don't forget to look at the attached PDF of the Cambodian girls!