

AQUACLEANSE CAMBODIA SAFEGUARDING HEALTH, SUSTAINING LIVES

# Project Proposal

" Solving the Water Challenge in Tonle Sap's Floating Village: A Comprehensive Approach with Solar Water Purification and Compost Toilets. "

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# I. The Big idea

# 1. Project Background

**Location:** Chong Kneas, Tonle Sap River, Cambodia **Main Beneficiary:** Households living in the floating village with low and medium income that hard to can't access clean water for daily usage.

### **Problem Statements**

- Lack of access to a safe water supply for floating villages
- Poor wastewater management

# 2. Project Objective

Our project targets the urgent need for clean water and improved sanitation in Chong Kneas by installing water purification systems and facilitating the construction of composting toilets. This dual strategy is aimed at enhancing community health, reducing economic strain, and mitigating environmental impact.

# 3. Project Approach and Methods

Our solution for Chong Kneas are solar-powered water purification system, educating villagers on the installation of composting toilets by themselves, paired with educational programs aimed at raising awareness on promoting water conservation and sanitation to prevent contamination, thereby fostering sustainable practices, and leading to improved community health and environmental protection.

The composting toilets and solar water purification systems in Chong Kneas create a symbiotic relationship enhancing environmental and public health. By preventing human waste from contaminating the water, the composting toilets inherently improve the efficiency and prolong the lifespan of the solar purification system, which in turn provides the community with clean water, reducing waterborne diseases.

Our project extends across health, environmental preservation, and community development. We wanted to Leverage social media channels such as Facebook, TikTok, and YouTube for educational outreach to broaden our impact, encouraging community engagement and sustainable habits. These efforts collectively contribute to improved well-being and a more sustainable future for the community.



The introduction of water purification systems is the centerpiece of our initiative, with composting toilets as an ancillary component to enhance the project's effectiveness. We aim to empower the Chong Kneas community to embrace a future that promotes better health, sustainability, and self-sufficiency.



## 4. Project Impacts

Objectives	Short-Term (6 weeks)	Long-Term (2 years)
Access to Clean Water	3 households will have 100% clean water access	Over 500 families will have sufficient clean water access
Reduction in Waterborne Diseases	A start in decrease of waterborne disease	75% decrease in waterborne disease
Economic Benefits	\$126 will saved from not purchasing clean water	Community will save over \$300,000 annually
Sustainable Waste Management	Reduction in wastewater and a start in compost production	80% reduction in wastewater generation

# II. The Pilot

## 1. The Pilot Project

**Number of Households:** We will be selecting 3 households from Chong Kneas with different household compositions, different geographic locations, different sanitation facilities, and different levels of education to test and demonstrate the systems' effectiveness, to ensure we can adjust a scalable model for the future.

#### Objective of the pilot project:

The success of the pilot project, through visible benefits in the local area, can act as social proof and promote broader community adoption. By recording diverse user experiences and monitoring system performance, we can underscore the system's merits and tackle any issues. Adjustments to the system should be informed by user feedback to ensure it meets various household requirements, including maintenance, reliability, and confirming the project's feasibility across different community environments.

#### 2. Pilot Project Timeline

<ul> <li>Week 1:</li> <li>Needs analysis and pilot household selection.</li> <li>Engage community leaders and initiate partner outreach.</li> <li>Procure assembly components.</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Week 2:</li><li>Pilot the first water purification and composting toilet system.</li></ul>
<ul> <li>Week 3:</li> <li>Test water quality.</li> <li>Finalize product design.</li> <li>Launch digital awareness campaign.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Week 4:</li> <li>Present the finalized product to potential partners.</li> <li>Build the second and third systems and toilets.</li> </ul>
<ul><li>Week 5:</li><li>Installation for the households.</li><li>Survey for initial user feedback.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Week 6:</li> <li>Review pilot feedback.</li> <li>Host community workshop and invite the pilot households.</li> </ul>

# 3. Stakeholder Mapping

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Partnership	Approach	
Kamwork Providing Sustainable Solar Solutions to Rural Communities in Cambodia	<ul> <li>Seek support for our pilot project with free solar panels. In return, sponsors get visibility with their logo on our pilot product and social media and secure a position as our main supplier in the future.</li> </ul>	
WaterAid Unicef for every child	<ul> <li>Join hands with a shared vision for clean water in Cambodia. Support in financial and workshop sessions.</li> </ul>	
Community react     Villagers	<ul> <li>Informational session about the products and highlight the long-term benefits. Introduce new job opportunity</li> </ul>	
Engineering experts	• We have support from the engineering expert in doing the pilot project	

#### Long term

Partnership	Approach
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## 4. Budget Plan

Activity	Quantity	Price	Total Price		
Site visit and Engagement					
Meeting and Workshop	1	\$ 100	\$ 100		
	Purification Costing				
Reverse Osmosis	3	\$ 100	\$ 300		
DC Motor (260W)	3	\$ 30	\$ 90		
PV Pipe	3 set	\$ 30	\$ 90		
Solar Panel	2	\$125	\$ 250		
Charge Controller	1	\$ 45	\$ 45		
Battery Charge	3	\$ 35	\$ 105		
Total Cost (Site Visit & Purification)     \$ 980			\$ 980		
Compost Toilet ( We'll teach villagers to build compost toilets but won't cover the cost of the components. )					
Bidet	1	\$ 6	\$ 6		
Bucket	2	\$ 3.5	\$ 7		
Valve	1	\$ 2	\$ 2		
Plankwood	1 set	\$ 10	\$ 10		

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