



## Building for better life and sustainable future

### JMAS SEOD emphasizes the need of careful checking after blasting Bombies

Recently Mr. Shoji Suzuki, JMAS SEOD had emphasized the UXO staff the importance of carefully checking after demolishing bombie. "Even after a founded bombie was exploded, there could be possibility that another one came out from nearby due to a strong blast blowing. Unless you do so, there might have a big casualty." said the JMAS SEOD.



### Season of visiting for experience exchange

Hisayo Morikawa, Programme Manager of JMAS, visited JMAS XKH on August 26 and 31 to give two trainings to two JMAS local staff, Mr. Manophet and Mr. Kingkham. One training was on making accurate account reports, and the other on reporting current situations including issues to be tackled by JMAS TAs (technical advisors) and UXO Lao & editing JMAS newsletter.

She was guided in UXO field activities by Mr. Suzuki, the oldest JMAS TA and the one with the longest experience in UXO clearance. He explained all UXO activities carried out during three days including what roving, research, and clearance teams were doing. I studied the blasting mechanism of many kinds of bombies & bombs.

Furthermore, the UXO Lao staff made several strong impressions on me. First, the female staff's working attitude, as well as the males', showed incredible strength and patience. The women carried heavy sand and dug deep holes with a big shovel. Second, each staff I met in the fields said, "I'm proud of working as a UXO Lao staffer removing UXO from XKH, and offering safe land." Third, several sons succeeded their fathers as the second-generation UXO Lao staff. Fourth, a son of Mr. Kimphet, UXO Lao XKH Director, also took on the same job as his father. Finally, Mr. Kimphet and Mr. Suzuki gave lessons in English and shakuhachi (a traditional Japanese flute), to UXO Lao and JMAS staff to add to their skills.

I was satisfied with their all works, and returned to Vientiane very contented.

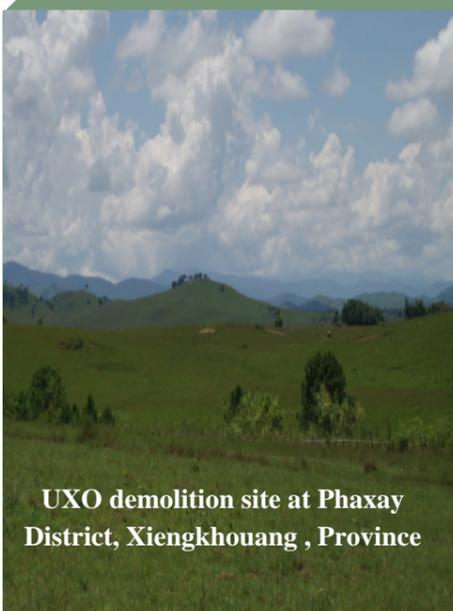


### UXO Lao Xiengkhouang Province, enhances capacity building for local staff

UXO Lao prepared the English course for staff, so that they can communicate and demonstrate their tasks and duties to visitors. This course was organized by Mr. Kingphet Phimmavong, UXO Lao Provincial Coordinator.



### UXO clearance Implementation



UXO demolition site at Phaxay District, Xiengkhouang, Province



New detector testing



JMAS SEOD and UXO Lao staff were removing the cluster bomb that found by clearance team



New technique to explode the small cluster bomb (Bombie)

### Feedback from reader

We are glad to hear that you are doing well, and making some more friends....

We read the newsletter, which gave us a better understanding of the work you have been involved in. It is good work, and we feel that it must really make a big difference in the lives of those who live in the communities that have been cleansed of this horrible contamination.

The newsletter photos bring the work to life in our mind's eye. Thank you. And keep up the good work!

Love,  
Akemi, MoonDog, and Russell

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