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BFT July Newsletter : The Seeds We Plant

Investing in People, Growing Communities

Dear BFT Friend

At BFT, we have always believed that the strongest communities are built from within. This edition celebrates the knowledge, skills and dedication growing quietly but powerfully across our programmes — in our team, in our villages and in the partnerships that are taking root for the long term.

Sincerely yours,
 The BFT Team

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Learning So Other's Can Grow

Ly Sina's Story

Every Saturday for seven weeks, Ly Sina — BFT's Project Manager for Capacity Building and Livelihood Development — packed a bag and made the journey from Siem Reap to Phnom Penh. Not for a conference or a meeting, but for class.

Sina recently completed a course in Animal Production and Veterinary Medicine at the Cambodian Agricultural and Husbandry Training Centre — a rigorous programme covering animal health management, disease prevention, vaccination, nutrition, breeding and basic veterinary treatments. The final two weeks took him out of the classroom entirely and onto the farm for hands-on practical training. The knowledge he brings back strengthens not just our livestock work but the full breadth of BFT's livelihoods programme — rice farming, crops, vegetables, mushroom farming, fruit trees, eggs, and turtle raising — as well as the school gardens that help feed children every day. Everything that puts food on the table, builds household income and keeps families in their communities.

In his own words: "The practical sessions have given me valuable experience in caring for livestock and improving animal welfare. This training will greatly benefit my work with BFT and the communities we serve. It will help me provide better training to families on raising healthy livestock, preventing diseases, improving productivity and increasing household income. Healthy animals can improve food security and create more sustainable livelihoods for rural families."

Sina's role at BFT sits at the heart of our four-year community development model. When families have healthy animals and thriving gardens, they have food security. When they have food security, children can come to school. When children come to school, futures change. Every skill Sina brings back from that classroom in Phnom Penh ripples outward into the villages BFT serves.

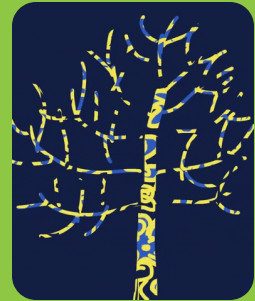
This year, as BFT's livelihoods programme has grown, Sina has been joined by new staff member Mr Long Sokhom — a welcome addition who reflects just how much our work in

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His deeper expertise will directly strengthen BFT's ongoing foundation partnerships with [Co:operaid](#) and [SA4D](#), both of which depend on strong local leadership and practical agricultural knowledge to deliver lasting outcomes.

Sina's course was generously funded by BFT and by Gill and Ben Gray from Friends of BFT Australia. We are deeply grateful for their belief in investing in our people — because that is where everything begins.

Co:operaid Half Yearly Milestone



Our partnership with the Co:operaid Foundation continues to grow across education, health and livelihoods in Chub Romdeng Village. We look forward to sharing a full update..... to be written

Swiss Academy for Development - Programme Update

Our work with SA4D continues to strengthen sustainable agriculture and livelihoods across our village communities. More details to follow

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