



**OVERVIEW**

Kuleaen is located in one of the poorest provinces in the country. As a remote rural area, access to life's basics are limited. Families struggle to make a living due to the lack of knowledge, skills, and alternative livelihood opportunities.

**BRIEF INFORMATION**

**IMPACT AREA POPULATION**

22, 829 PEOPLE

**PROGRAMME LIFESPAN**

2024 TO 2036

**GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION**

Kuleaen is located about 3 to 6 hours away from Phnom Penh, and about 3 hours away from Siem Reap by car. It shares borders with varying provinces, including Siem Reap.

**CLIMATE**

Tropical climate, with periods of dry and rainy seasons.

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**CAMBODIA**

**REALITIES**

**Education**

Teachers do not have proper training and are often on a contract basis. Schools are ill-equipped with the necessary infrastructure and children of different grades sometimes share a classroom. Secondary schools are located at a far distance and there is a lack of transportation. Education is also deemed unimportant, with many children dropping out of school to support their families instead.

**Child Protection**

Violence against children and child marriages remain prevalent in the community. Children are left vulnerable to physical and emotional abuse, child labour and vices. Children are often left behind with a family member or left to care for themselves by parents who migrate for livelihood opportunities.

**Livelihood**

The community's main livelihood source is agriculture. Yet, the lack of technical agricultural knowledge and skills as well as the effects of climate change (such as flash floods, drought and strong winds) have led to insufficient yield and income. Families are often forced to take on manually laborious jobs in neighbouring country, Thailand, or take on loans that further exacerbates their financial status.

**Health and Nutrition**

Access to basic healthcare is limited due to distance and lack of resources. At the same time, parents and caregivers lack healthcare knowledge, resulting in a prevalence of preventable diseases in the community. Malnutrition rates in the community among children under 5 are also at some of the highest in the region, with 26.3% reported to be stunted, 17.1% underweight, and 7.4% are wasting.

**Water, Sanitation & Hygiene:**

About 50% of children and families do not have access to clean and sufficient water sources. Due to the lack of access to clean drinking water, sanitary facilities and knowledge on sanitary practices, children continue to fall ill from preventable water-borne diseases.



**Because of our community-focused solutions, for every child you help, four more benefit too!**