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Name of school: Ban huay pichai School

Location: Moo1, Huay pichai village, Tambon Huay pichai, Amphoe Pakchom, Loei province.

Area covered by school: It provides education for 3 villages - Huay pichai, Pong samran and Non sawang village.

Number of students and teachers: 324 students from kindergarten to grade 9 and 17 teachers and staff.



Project status: Completed



The Coordinator of the Betterment of Life Foundation visited the school and below is her experience. The images tell their own story

Ban huay pichai School could not provide clean drinking water for students due to a limited school budget. The water source is a shallow well from a 10 meters deeper well.



“Our problem is budget. Water is an important matter, but we have not enough money to set the water filtration to our students” Mr. Anake Thongphet, school’s teacher said while showing us around the school.

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The school informed the Betterment of Life Foundation that the children had to buy drinking water. Most of them bought sweet drinks that were not good for them. The drinks cost 3 or 5 bath per glass, but their families have small wages, many working for a wage in Phuket province.

Most of Ban huay pichai villagers have been earning their living by planting corns, mangoes, longans and bananas and cultivating their land. Latterly, more outsiders were coming to the village to plant rubber trees while the villagers went out to work as employees in Phuket province.



“I will install the water filter in the area of the water pump near the canteen. Then line a water pipe to the 2,000 liters water tank which is 3 meters high from the ground” The teacher said while showing us the place where the water tank and filter and the drinking point would be installed.

Once the water filtration facility is installed, Ban huay pichai school children will drink clean water happily and healthily.