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REACT

Rallying stakeholders for an effective
access to justice for Cambodian women
and teenagers



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Avocats Sans Frontières France is an association of international solidarity, established under what is called “1901 French Law”. It aims at :

- Promoting access to law and fair justice for vulnerable people deprived of justice, arbitrarily detained or tortured
- Protecting any person deprived of a free and independent defense as well as human rights defenders threatened or assaulted in the exercise of their function
- Strengthening local actors' capacity to act and autonomy in the defense and promotion of human rights (civil society and actors in the judicial system).



CONTEXTE

The REACT project, which began in November 2018, is being implemented in Battambang Province, Cambodia. This project is part of a partnership with two Cambodian actors: a civil society association, Banteay Srei, and an institutional actor, the Provincial Department of Women's Affairs (PDoWA). The REACT intends to strengthen the rule of law in Cambodia for a society that protects the rights of women and girls. More specifically, the REACT seeks to contribute to the promotion and protection of the rights of women and girls, including their right of access to justice, and to the reduction of gender-based violence (GBV) in Battambang province.

The aim of the project is to promote access to justice for women victims of GBV by providing them with adequate care and to raise community awareness about women and girl's rights and the violence they suffer. To do so, the project operates at different levels - at the provincial, district and village levels - and addresses a variety of actors, whether they are actors of the penal chain, members of the civil society or community members.





PARTNERS AND DONORS

Two Cambodian organizations, Banteay Srei and the Provincial Department of Women's Affairs of Battambang Province, are associated with the implementation of the REACT. This project is supported by the Occitanie Region, the Raja-Marcovici Foundation, the Bar Association at the Council of State and the Court of Cassation, the International Organization of the Francophonie, through the Francophone Fund for Human Rights « *Martine ANSTETT* » (FFDH), the Fonds de dotation Barreau de Paris Solidarité and the Fondation Un Monde par Tous.

OBJECTIVES

- **Main objective** : To strengthen the rule of law in Cambodia for a society that protects the rights of women and girls.
- **Specific objective** : To contribute to the promotion and protection of the rights of women and girls, including their right of access to justice, and to the reduction of gender- based violence in the province of Battambang

- Women and young girls who are victims of violations of their rights and/or GBV are provided adequate care and a better access to justice.
- The community is sensitized and mobilized for women's rights, including the access to justice, and the need to eradicate gender-based violence.

EXPECTED RESULTS



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