

## Case study 1

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Name: Kong Davy

Programme: Caritas Takeo Eye Hospital/CBM

Location: Takeo province, Cambodia

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The girl Kong Davy is 13 year old, living in Chek village, Champa Commune, Preykabas District, Takeo province, around 50 kms far from the Caritas Takeo eye hospital (CTEH). She is the fourth child of 4 children are living with parents in the poor family. Even the family has an economic problem to survive the member in the family, she is strongly encouraged to study as other children in her village to achieve her goal to be a teacher. Now she is studying at grade 6 at the Samar Metrey School which is the nearest school in her district. The barrier in her daily activities and study is low vision has been developing since last 5 years, so she is definitely difficult to do something at home and read the letter is written in the white board even she was moved to seat closely to the white board. Her teacher reported to her family that the result of her study is negative point and needs to be improved with family intervention and other agencies. The family had knew well the problem to make their daughter's vision gets worst from day to day due to their daughter always complaints about the difficulty of her seeing, but they did not know which services are available to help to improve her low vision accordingly. Nevertheless, they are really busy with income generation to survive the family and no time to search services that why their child had kept since the problem happened.

One day, her parents got clear information by a neighborhood about available eye care services at CTEH, they decided to bring her to have eye check up on April 10, 2013 for eye check up. The prescription indicated that her visual acuity (VA) at right eye is 6/18 (can see 6 m with letter size 18 mm) and left eye is 6/12 without low vision material. The VA improvement in both eyes are 6/12 after using spectacles and 6/6 after using telescope; she is prescriptively used both low vision materials to help her seeing in close and long distance. Her family is completely happy because their daughter can read and write quickly and make a lot of friends in school than before. She and family expressed the grateful thank for staff and other donors to keep helping the poor patients to have new sight and willing to come back to CTEH by regular appointments in the future.

