



"Sport is important because it keeps people away from drugs, helps families and keeps us healthy. I think sport is

the heart of the country – if the country has no sport, it has no peace"

CHA HOK

qb 2008 National Volleyball League Champions Coach and CNVLD's oldest athlete





"Most people didn't like me after my accident and it was very difficult for a disabled person to find a job. I was very disappointed with this situation and decided that I have to stand up to show the ability of disabled people"

> MEAS SABON Takeo ISPP Templestowe Falcons Volleyball Team Coach

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"Sport is important because it makes disabled people stronger. The people in Kampong Chhnang are very proud when they see me training and they encourage me to work hard and they especially like to talk with me now."

> **UM SOPHAT** Female ANZ - CNVLD Wheelchair Racing Athlete





"The hardest things about being a disabled person are travelling and daily life. Most people looked down on me and some of them said that I should be a beggar. But it's OK now because they see me training."

> **CHOEN SOPHANNA** ANZ - CNVLD Wheelchair Racing Coach





The **CNVLD** works with some of the most marginalised in Cambodian society –the persons with a disability in rural areas – and provides support to over 300 athletes in 11 Cambodian provinces.





70% of the CNVLD athletes are amputee survivors of landmines and UXO

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CNVLD athletes who have remained in the programme have all gone on to gain meaningful employment.

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80% of all **CNVLD** income is channelled into direct support for the athletes with a disability of Cambodia.

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In 2005, the **CNVLD** was awarded 'Best Practices: Sport and Development' status by the

United Nations International Year of Sport and Physical Education.

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Sport can be a low-cost and effective means of fostering health and well-being for persons with a disability.

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