



The ORAPI Hygiene Foundation is working alongside the NGO Enfants du Mékong for the protection of children through hygiene education in South-East Asia



The ORAPI Hygiene Foundation announces today a partnership with the NGO Enfants du Mékong to support their actions in favour of educating the youngest children about basic hygiene rules. A first operation was successfully carried out in Cambodia in 2018, and other actions will very soon be initiated in the 7 other countries in which the NGO is active: Vietnam, Thailand, Laos, Philippines, Cambodia, Burma and China.

The ORAPI Hygiene Corporate Foundation was created in December 2015 with the mission of helping children around the world fight contagious diseases and epidemics by learning basic hygiene rules. To this end, the Foundation conducts operations in France and around the world, in particular with the help of paper fortune tellers, an educational tool emblematic of the Foundation that makes it possible to raise awareness among young people of the risks of contagious diseases and to help them adopt the right reflexes by teaching them, in a fun way, to wash their hands to protect themselves from these diseases.

The NGO Enfants du Mékong, founded by René Péchard, has been working since 1958, particularly through sponsorship, with poor children and their families to restore their dignity by giving them access to schooling and employment. In parallel with this initiative, Enfants du Mékong supports the construction of around 100 development projects per year (schools, wells, etc.) and manages 10 centres and 78 households.

Its action is located in the countries of Southeast Asia bordering the Mekong River: Vietnam, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Burma and China, as well as in the Philippines.

Today, nearly 22,000 children are sponsored and 60,000 accompanied children can access education.

The two organisations, sharing the same values and the same conviction that education is the best way to help children grow up healthy and emerge from poverty in a sustainable way, naturally joined forces to carry out actions in South-East Asia.

This partnership includes the provision of "I know how to wash my hands" models of fortune tellers in Khmer and Thai languages, and soon models of fortune tellers on dental hygiene in different languages.

The NGO Enfants du Mékong will distribute these paper models during the many educational activities it organizes to support the personal development of the young people it cares for in its 7 countries of action in Southeast Asia.

A first operation successfully carried out in Cambodia

The ORAPI Hygiene Foundation provided the team of Enfants du Mékong volunteers, called "Bamboos", on a mission in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, with "I know how to wash my hands" fortune tellers translated into Khmer language during an operation conducted by the Foundation in Cambodia with the Hagopig association.

The local team then organized an educational activity for the children on the theme of hygiene to teach them to adopt the right actions.

The activity started with a large rubbish collection at the school to raise children's awareness of waste treatment. Then, to teach them that after touching dirty things, you have to wash your hands, the teaching team proposed a cleaning workshop with a strong emphasis on the steps to take to ensure proper hand washing. To accompany this learning and make it fun, each child was given a paper fortune teller, to their greatest joy.

A first step in a great adventure for the ORAPI Hygiene Foundation and Enfants du Mékong in Southeast Asia!



To follow the ORAPI Hygiene Foundation



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About the ORAPI Hygiene Foundation

Created in December 2015, the ORAPI Hygiene Foundation's mission is to promote hygiene rules that enable the younger generations to fight against viral diseases. It operates abroad, particularly in Liberia, a country heavily affected by the Ebola virus, by supporting, through UNESCO, young people's awareness of hygiene rules and by providing products to enable schools to welcome children with maximum hygiene. Since February 2017, the Foundation has also been working in France to help young people learn the rules that will enable them to cope better with diseases such as influenza, gastroenteritis, etc...

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About the Enfants du Mékong (Children of the Mekong)

Enfants du Mékong is a non-governmental organization (NGO) founded by René Péchard in 1958, and currently headed by Guillaume d'Aboville. Convinced that poor children can be models of responsibility and freedom for their country tomorrow, Enfants du Mékong has been enabling poor children to regain dignity since 1958 by giving them access to schooling and employment. Enfants du Mékong also supports around 100 development projects per year (schools, homes, wells, etc...), manages 10 centres and 78 households.

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