



OUR VISION

A society free from poverty and inequality.

OUR MISSION

To increase access to education, healthcare and sport, enabling underprivileged children and their communities to lift themselves out of poverty.

EMPOWER CAMBODIAN CHILDREN THROUGH EDUCATION

ISF is a Cambodian NGO founded in 2006 and based in Phnom Penh. We envision a society free from poverty and inequality and achieve this through our mission of providing underprivileged children and their communities with access to education, healthcare, and sport.

BARRIERS TO EDUCATION

In Cambodia, nearly half of the children (49%) live in multidimensional poverty. The families ISF supports live in urban slum communities around Cambodia's capital city, Phnom Penh. Poverty, low levels of education, and high unemployment levels often result in parents' inability to meet their children's basic needs and many survive on less than \$2 a day. Struggling to pay rent or buy food, more often than not, families cannot afford to send their children to school. Instead, many do not attend school or drop out in order to work to help financially support their families or help with care burdens. Every year a child stays out of school, it becomes harder for them to re-integrate. As a result, those forced to work to support their families are often left behind not only academically, but also socially.



ISF EDUCATION PROGRAMME

ISF's Education Programme focuses on children who have dropped out or have never attended school. We provide accelerated learning to help them catch up to the appropriate grade for their age and integrate them in the local state school system. We address all barriers causing children to drop out, providing uniforms, stationary, meals, and healthcare. Families receive monthly food parcels and employment support to alleviate financial burdens.

EACH YEAR, ISF SUPPORTS

700

Students in our Catch-up Programme, state school, higher education and employment

3000+

People in the wider community are also impacted

HOLISTIC SUPPORT:

- School fees, uniforms, and stationery.
- English and ICT classes
- Comprehensive healthcare
- Two school meals a day
- Monthly family food parcels
- Extracurricular activities
- Skill development training
- Employment counselling and support
- University scholarships
- Community development



ISF IMPACT STORIES



FROM POVERTY TO EDUCATION AND SUCCESS: HOW ISF CHANGED LYNHA'S LIFE FOREVER

'Before ISF, my sister and I could not go to school'. Due to critical medical issues her parents could not work and they had to help their family. Lynha shares, 'ISF support kept me in school until I completed a Bachelor degree in the field of Accounting. ISF really changed my life, I was able to dream again', she said as she had the chance to practice accounting with ISF Finance Team as an intern acquiring crucial skills. ISF employment team helped her find the right workplace with counseling and support. Born in extreme poverty, Lynha is now able to support herself and her family, indicating that the poverty cycle she grew up in has been broken.

ISF GAVE THIDA A SECOND CHANCE TO PURSUE HER DREAMS

Thida, 10 years old, joined ISF a year ago: 'I had to drop out of school because my family could not afford to send me to school anymore. ISF has given me an opportunity to go back to school. Thanks to ISF, I am learning a lot, playing with my friends and I have enough food. When I grow up I want to be a teacher!'*

Watch her video message [here](#).

