### Summary of activities in April 2012 in Salavan TTC

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- 1. What I did
- A) Handover microscopes from JICA

On 5th April, Mr. Masato TOGAWA who is chief representative of JICA Laos office, Mr. Noriyuki NAKAMURA who is JICA volunteers' coordinator and Mr. Sophonh who is national staff of JICA Laos office came to Salavan TTC. Mr. Masato TOGAWA handed over 6 microscopes to Salavan TTC. Mr. Masato TOGAWA wanted to observe my class but there are no students. They went to practice "Visit Laos year 2012 at Salavan province". It was disappoint thing but I feel happy, because I requested that JICA helped Salavan TTC to purchase microscopes.

B) Teaching in Teaching Method of Mathematics for primary school

I took part in "Teaching Method of Mathematics for primary school" of Mr. Senhuck BUNMEE. I introduce a material for teaching a decimal, a fraction and addition and subtraction of a decimal. I explained how to use their materials, and I ask some question of decimal. Because I want to know that students can solve any problem of decimal or cannot. Many students could solve easy problem, but many students couldn't solve difficult problem. I also teach a percentage, the situation is same. We have to raise the scholastic ability little by little.

C) Teaching of Teaching Method of World around us for primary school

I took part in "Teaching Method of World around us for primary school" of Mr. Suphanh THEPHAVONGSA. We talk about a teaching plan before the lesson. I make material of experiment to examine weight of the air. Many students knew the air has weight, but some students didn't know. I'm happy that students understand after experiment. And we try to use new microscopes for students. I explain name of the part of microscope and how to use microscope. Mr. Suphanh explained what I want to say, so many students understood what I want to say. I gave advice to students. It is good thing that students experience and know the microscopic world.

D) Attending "Visit Laos year 2012 at Salavan province"

I observed that students practiced dancing and teachers taught dancing for "Visit Laos year 2012 at Salavan province". Each student group has each music and dance. I took part in a little bit. It was not so easy for me. I received an invitation the ceremony, so I took part in the ceremony as guest on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> April. I could see 8 district people and dancing, have dinner of Salavan and see competitions of Miss Salavan. It take an interest it. I enjoy the ceremony so much.

E) New year of Lao

In a new year of Lao, I went to Luangprabarn. I saw the procession of Miss Lao New Year parade from Vat Thatnoy to Vat Xiengthong, alms giving ceremony "Sai Bat" at National Museum and bringing Buddha image "Prabang" out of National Museum to Vat Mai. I took a lot of water. This is quite a new experience for me.

- 2. Impression
  - 1) Good thing
    - ① I knew Lao custom of a new year. I feel so happy.
    - 2 We use new microscopes for our lesson.
  - 2) Problem
    - In the laboratory water has not come yet. I think Salavan TTC must act promptly.
  - 3) Solution

• I already told the problem for Mr. Suphanh. I cannot find the settlement of the problem.

- 3. What I want do
- · I want to make the material for teaching mathematics and science.
- I want to study Lao Language more!

# **[Photo]** Activities of JOCV in April 2012

Handover Microscopes from JICA on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2012



6 Microscopes (2040US\$)

# Celebrations of Visit Laos Year at Salavan Province



Participation in Japanese kimono "yukata"

### Teaching method of Mathematics



# Teaching method of Science



### Teaching how to use microscope



Experiment of science