

## **Kantha Bopha: 22. 9. 1992 to 22. 9. 2012**

On 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1992 the Kantha Bopha Hospital was inaugurated . The Ceremony was presided over by His Majesty King Norodom Sihanouk. On September 22<sup>nd</sup> 2012 it will be its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary and the inauguration of a brand new MRI in Kantha Bopha V. The Ceremony will be presided over by His Majesty King Norodom Sihamoni.

From September 1<sup>st</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> 2012 the figures of severely sick children hospitalized in the Kantha Bopha Hospitals are still alarmingly high.

**Kantha Bopha in Phnom Penh, from September 1<sup>st</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> :**  
2732 severely sick children were admitted for hospitalization. Among these patients there were 801 severe cases of the Hemorrhagic Dengue Fever.

**Kantha Bopha III (Jayavarman VII Hospital) in Siem Reap Angkor, from September 1<sup>st</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> :**  
2924 severely sick children were admitted for hospitalization. Among these patients there were 885 severe cases of the Hemorrhagic Dengue Fever.

**From January 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 to September 14<sup>th</sup> 97 097 severely sick children were hospitalized in all the Kantha Bopha Hospitals. Among these patients there were 23 717 cases of severe Hemorrhagic Dengue Fever. Only the severe Dengue cases are counted, the cases we have to hospitalize. The cases being followed up in the outpatient stations are not counted. The Epidemic 2012 is worse then 2007!**

**In the meantime Kantha Bopha III (Jayavarman VII) in Siem Reap Angkor is the world biggest Children's Hospital.** When it was under construction in 1998 International Organizations and International Health Experts were telling the media, the television including, that this Hospital is not necessary! They told me I should stop its construction! Jayavarman VII is including a maternity too. From September 1<sup>st</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> there were **760 deliveries!**

Since July 2012 there is more support to Kantha Bopha from Cambodian people. We are grateful to all donations, if small or big. The annual budget of 2012 will be 40 Million USD. Most families of our patients are poor, very poor. They can not pay.

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