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## Panasonic supports UNESCO programs for off-grid communities in Myanmar by donation of 500 solar storage units

Launch Ceremony for UNESCO & Panasonic Educational Support Program in Yangon, Myanmar

**UNESCO and Panasonic Corporation (Osaka, Japn) signed a project agreement for Myanmar in November 2015 to promote educational support aimed at sustainable development for the next generation of young people living in the vicinity of the Ancient City of Bagan in Myanmar, which is currently a nominee for UNESCO World Heritage listing.**



Donation of 500 units of “eneloop solar storage” to schools around the Ancient City of Bagan

Panasonic will donate a total of 500 units of its “eneloop solar storage” to around 40 schools located in off-grid communities in the vicinity of the Ancient City of Bagan in Myanmar.

At present, 1.2 billion people, or about 17% of the world’s population, live in areas without electricity. In Myanmar, 68% of its population is said to have no access to electricity. Young people who live in off-grid communities around the Ancient City of Bagan are suffering from an educational disadvantage as they have no other choice but to study in a poorly-lit classroom, with limited daylight hours.

Panasonic's “eneloop solar storage” is a compact power storage system with LED lights, which stores power generated by solar cells during the day and provides lighting at night or for classrooms. Through this donation, Panasonic will support the development of a school environment where young people can study anytime of the day under safe and bright lights.

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