

1st Joint Coordinating Committee (JCC)



The 1st Joint Coordinating Committee (JCC) meeting was held on 27 August 2013. The JCC comprising of the Project counterpart, DCPC, JICA experts, and relevant government agencies meets annually to share information regarding the progress of the Project, share future plans, and discuss issues and concerns relating to the Project.

Twenty two persons, including representatives from relevant agencies (Department of International Cooperation, DOLAB, DSEP of MOLISA, MPS, Border Guard Command, Women's Union and DOLISA An Giang and Ha Giang), participated in the meeting.

The Director of DCPC and the Project Director of the Project, Dr Nguyen Hai Huu chaired the meeting. The opening remarks of the chair was followed by a speech by the representative of JICA Vietnam Office, Ms Miura (Senior Project Formulation Advisor) and a presentation by the Director of CCCS and the Project Manager, Mr Vu Van Dzung on the project outlines and 3 year budget plan.

Then, Ms Ogawa, Chief Advisor to the Project, presented the activities accomplished since the beginning of the Project in July 2012, and the 2nd year activity plan. We received valuable comments from each agency regarding the activities in coming months.

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Above: participants
Middle: Dr Nguyen Hai Huu, Chair of the meeting, Director of DCPC
Below: the meeting

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Many comments related to the efficient use of resources in the second year when the hotline operates in full. While the agencies present have been conducting their own anti-TIP activities, it was agreed that we will try to further cooperate and plan joint activities in, for example, communication, whenever possible. It was also agreed that we will keep exploring opportunities for collaboration which may emerge while dealing with cases brought to the Hotline, once its operation starts.

The next JCC meeting will be held in mid-2014.

BASELINE SURVEY REPORT

Here is a brief report on the baseline survey conducted in late May and early June this year. The survey had meetings with local government officials, key person interviews with 50 officials and village heads, and questionnaire survey with 417 community members in An Giang and Ha Giang. The survey clarified some points.

- Face-to-face community activities are favoured and regarded as effective at the community level. Markets, schools and local offices, where many people gather, are good places to conduct communication activities. This is especially the case in mountainous areas with scattered residents in Ha Giang.
- Ethnic minorities who do not speak Kinh language need to be reached through innovative methods.
- In An Giang province, with relatively well developed communication infrastructure, mass media and/or community loud speakers are potential channels. Religious leaders are influential and their support needs to be sought in communication activities.

(Please contact us if you are interested in a summary report of the survey)

ACTIVITY PLAN

Hotline software development

Project Coordinator's departure and new Coordinator's arrival



Above: Mr Vu Van Dzung, Director of CCCS and Project Manager

Below: Ms Ogawa, Chief Advisor

LATEST NEWS FROM VIETNAM

Selected news on Anti-TIP activities in Vietnam

Gender Statistics Guideline

Gender Equality Department (GED) of MOLISA and General Statistics Office, in cooperation with a research institution, funded by UN Women, are drafting a guideline on collecting and using gender statistics for reporting on gender equality in Vietnam. Addressing the concern that different understanding and calculation of government agencies at different levels leads to inadequate data collection, the guideline aims to help in the collection and analysis of accurate data. Three fields, namely women's participation in politics, gender equality in health care sector and gender equality in labour and employment are selected to provide guidance on the procedure of collecting and using gender statistics. There was a workshop to comment on the draft guideline on 30 August 2013. After this workshop, trainings on the effective use of the guideline will be held for staff working on gender equality and advancement of women at ministerial and provincial levels in three regions of Vietnam, namely Ha Noi, Thanh pho Ho Chi Minh and Hoa Binh city.



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