

COMMUNICATION ACTIVITY MODEL TRAINING

Communication Activity Model Training was held on 9–10 October 2013 in Vinh Xuong Commune, An Giang province. This is one of the five trainings in communication activities planned to promote the Hotline in this province. The trainings will be followed by a total of 40 communication activities in different communities. The Chief Advisor and a Project Assistant travelled from Hanoi to join the training.

The training was conducted by Mr Nguyen Trung Nghia (Official of Social Work and Child Protection Centre, An Giang province) and Ms Huynh Thi Thanh Huong (Official of Social Work and Child Protection Centre, An Giang province), who will work as Hotline counsellors in An Giang. Mr Nguyen Cong Khanh, Director of Social Work and Child Protection Centre, was also present to support the trainers. In all, 28 people from nearby communities received training, including a village leader, policemen, a policewoman and Women's Union members.

The first day started with a game to learn and remember each participant's name. In the congenial atmosphere developed by the game, the objective of the game was explained: The importance of knowing people in their communities by name. This was followed by sessions about human trafficking, including definition and legal framework. The learning was consolidated with a quiz conducted after a break. In the afternoon, the participants learned how to plan communication activities and presented two group performances of communication activities. The trainers gave helpful feedback to the participants on how to make their performance more effective.

On the second day, the trainers introduced the anti-TIP Hotline to the participants and asked them to plan a communication activity to promote the hotline number. Both groups showed off their talent in the demonstration: singing a song, mini theatre, and reporting with Q & A. They are excellent screen writers and actors/actresses, scripting a drama in a limited time and giving an excellent performance. A policeman creatively incorporated the hotline number in a popular song of Vietnam. The participants as well as the trainers gave valuable comments to the performance: "Objectives of the activity need to be clear", "It was recommendable that there was time for asking questions", "More attention should be paid to the audience", "Leaflets should be distributed after the activity", etc.

Finally, they planned a communication activity to be implemented in their own communities and commented on each other. Lively and effective facilitation by Mr Nguyen Trung Nghia and Ms Huynh Thi Thanh Huong, and the enthusiasm of the participants bode well for success of the upcoming communication activities in the communities.



Top: Communication activity performance

Middle: Planning discussion

Below: Speech by commune staff

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WORKING GROUP MEETING IN AN GIANG

A meeting of An Giang Working Group was held in Long Xuyen city on 8 October 2013. This is the first official meeting after the approval of the Project by the An Giang People's Committee; it was planned and organized by An Giang DOLISA. The Chief Advisor and a Project Assistant represented the Project team in Hanoi. The meeting had both familiar and new faces. The Deputy Director of DOLISA, An Giang, Mr Phan Van Tuan was in the chair. First, the participants were informed of the outline of the Project and the activity plan in An Giang for the last quarter of 2013 and 2014. Subsequently, details of communication activity plan and E-directory information collection process were shared. After receiving suggestions and recommendations, it was agreed to continue further communication in writing and the meeting wrapped up.



Working Group meeting in DOLISA, An Giang

LATEST NEWS FROM VIETNAM

Selected news on Anti-TIP activities in Vietnam

1) Compatibility review of national laws and UNTOC

The Vietnamese government ratified the UN Convention against Transnational Organised Crime (UNTOC) last year and now has been reviewing national laws to ensure compatibility with UNTOC. The Ministry of Justice and the Supreme People's Court, with support from UNODC, assessed the legal framework including the Penal Code and the Criminal Procedure Code. The revised draft laws may be discussed at the National Assembly in 2015. The legislative gap has been pointed out in the US TIP report 2013.

<http://english.vov.vn/Society/Vietnam-checks-laws-on-world-crime/266126.vov>
(Voice of Vietnam)

2) A report on human trafficking victim reintegration process

A report on the reintegration process of human trafficking victims titled "After Trafficking: Experience and Challenges in the (Re)integration of Trafficked Persons in the Greater Mekong Sub-region" was released on 14 October 2013. The report maps victims' post-trafficking experiences to understand how the victims experienced the process and highlights the key issues based on the in-depth interviews of 252 victims of trafficking, collected in six member states of the Coordinated Mekong Ministerial Initiative Against Trafficking (COMMIT).

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?realfile/html/story.asp?NewsID=46263&Cr=human+trafficking&Cr1=%20-%20UmDIBnATD60#.Um4hd52YQfQ> (UN News Centre)

[http://www.nexusinstitute.net/publications/pdfs/After%20trafficking_Experiences%20and%20challenges%20in%20\(Re\)integration%20in%20the%20GMS.pdf](http://www.nexusinstitute.net/publications/pdfs/After%20trafficking_Experiences%20and%20challenges%20in%20(Re)integration%20in%20the%20GMS.pdf) (Report)

ACTIVITY PLAN

31 Oct and 2 Nov: Counsellor training (Hanoi)

Nov: 2nd Working Group meeting (Hanoi)

Hotline software development

Communication activity training (An Giang)



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