

# ANTI-TIP HOTLINE NEWSLETTER

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## COMMUNICATION ACTIVITY TRAINING

On 9 and 10 May 2015, a communication activity training for 10 students of Hanoi Foreign Trade University was held, aiming at raising awareness of the youth on human trafficking and building their capacity to organize events by themselves. Our facilitators for this training were also youth.

Ms Hang, who has experience in organizing anti-TIP events as a MTV Exit Youth Ambassador, and Mr Ha, a student of the final year of university who received anti-TIP communication activity training by IOM X together with Ms Hang, have not only clear understandings on human trafficking and effective communication but excellent facilitation skills. Having incorporated games and audio-visual materials compatible with interests of the youth into the programme, they succeeded in keeping the students active throughout the training. One of the group work was poster making. The posters were uploaded on Facebook to run a Like and Share competition. The most 'viral' poster got more than 100 responses in one night. Also in groups, they discussed awareness raising event ideas, including a flash mob and a photoshop service, to be presented to other groups for comments and feedbacks.

During the two-day training, we were inspired a lot by their enthusiasm and young mind that creates innovative ideas. We will keep working with them to plan communication activities.

## AN GIANG CONNECTING UNIT MEETING

On 29 May 2015, a meeting with the Director of the Social Work and Child Protection Centre, counsellors and a staff in charge of IT maintenance was held at the An Giang Connecting Unit. Reports on the current status of the operation and an activity plan for 2015 were followed by discussions on IT problem solutions, effectiveness of communication channels and promotion goods. We also discussed a workshop to share the achievements of An Giang Connecting Unit with relevant agencies, and confirmed some details such as its purpose and target participants. The Connecting Unit has received guests from a Cambodian NGO that provides protection to trafficking victims just a couple of days before the meeting. We believe participation of organizations like this NGO in the workshop will further strengthen the Hotline operation through cross-border information exchange.



*Above: Training of university students at Hanoi Foreign Trade University*

*Middle: Students presenting their ideas*

*Below: Meeting at An Giang Connecting Unit*

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## AMBASSADOR-HEADS OF AGENCY VISIT TO HA GIANG

From 6 to 8 May 2015, Informal Ambassadors and Heads of Agency Group in Hanoi visited Ha Giang province to learn about human trafficking situation on the ground. The group regularly meets to discuss policy issues from gender perspectives. They observed demonstration of a village meeting and communication activities and had discussions with local authority and partners. In the afternoon of 7 May 2015, the group visited Social Protection Centre and Ha Giang Connecting Unit where we had a chance to introduce the Hotline's workings and the results of its operation.

## SOCIAL WORK TRAINING WORKSHOP

From 25 to 27 May 2015, three counsellors from An Giang Connecting Unit participated in a training workshop on human trafficking held at An Giang University. The workshop was part of a series of workshops annually organized by Pacific Links Foundation, An Giang University and West Virginia University, in order to build capacity of social workers. This year it welcomed the 10<sup>th</sup> workshop. In the afternoon of 25 May 2015, the Chief Advisor of the Project introduced the work of the Hotline as a panel during a panel discussion.

## LATEST NEWS FROM VIETNAM

### 151 Vietnamese nurse and care worker candidates left for Japan

On 26 May 2015, 151 candidates for registered nurse and certified care worker, the second batch under EPA (Economic Partnership Agreement), left for Japan. Of 180 applicants, those who completed pre-departure training and passed a Japanese proficiency test (N3 level) are qualified to go to Japan. After two-month training in Japan, they will start working at hospitals and care facilities. Nurse candidates can stay in Japan up to 3 years and care worker candidates 4 years to pass a Japanese state examination.



Above: Visit to Ha Giang Connecting Unit

Below: Participants of the Workshop at An Giang University

## JICA VIETNAM OFFICE WEBSITE IN VIETNAMESE

JICA Vietnam Office has opened its Vietnamese website where a news article about the Project can be found in “Các bài báo liên quan (Tiếng Việt / Tiếng Anh)” (the 7th news). The English site has the same article in ‘JICA in the news’.

<http://www.jica.go.jp/vietnam/vietnamese/>

## ACTIVITY PLAN

June: Presentation at Teijin Frontier CSR Seminar (Ho Chi Minh, 16 May)

Start production of promotion video

Start production of a case book



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