Consultation Workshop "Beijing Platform for Action-Beijing+20" Date: 24th Feb 2015

8:00am - 12:00pm Venue: Himawari Hotel

An unprecedented 17,000 participants and 30,000 activists streamed into Beijing for the opening of the Fourth World Conference on Women in September 1995. They were remarkably diverse, coming from around the globe, but they had a single purpose in mind: gender equality and the empowerment of all women, everywhere. By the time the conference closed, it had produced the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, the most progressive blueprint ever for advancing women's human rights.

Beijing Platform for Action (BPfA) calls for strong commitments on the part of the governments and other institutions to fully achieve and implement the roadmap set by the BPfA. Among the requirements outlined in BPfA, are mobilizing of resources for the advancement of women, strengthening capacity of institutions advancing women's rights, providing equal opportunities and equal participation of women in all policy-making bodies at all levels, and establishing of mechanisms for accountability to the world's women.1

With BPfA as a non-binding document and with no accountability mechanisms formally incorporated into the BPfA, there is no legal obligation on the states to adhere to the Beijing Declaration and BP4A, besides encouraging states to report to UN Women together with CEDAW. There is no country has yet finished this agenda. Women earn less than men and are more likely to work in poor-quality jobs. A third suffers physical or sexual violence in their lifetime. Gaps in reproductive rights and health care leave 800 women dying in childbirth each day. Women representative at decision making level is still less than man.

The Beijing+20 reviews in Bangkok is an opportunity to review the state commitment on BPFA, to hear mechanism on strengthen and accountability to advance women's human rights. Around 25 Cambodia NGOs delegations attended the CSOs forum which was hold prior the Beijing+20. The concrete Cambodia statement mainly focus on 4 issues: women in public decision making and leadership position, labour rights and protection, VAW and LGBT and SOGI was submit in CSOs forum and distributed widely during the Beijing+20 meeting from 17-20 November 2014. The result of Beijing+20 Declaration will bring to Commission on Status of Women 59 (CSW) in New York. To continue our journey to advancing women's human rights, SILAKA in collaboration NGO CEDAW, Cambodia Women Caucus, Gender and Development Network (GADNET) and other women networks/NGOs which is supported by UN Women will conduct the Consultation Workshop "Beijing Platform for Action- Beijing+20" on 24th February 2015.

Objectives:

- 1. To brief the NGO communities on the outcome and the process of the Beijing +20 in the Asia Pacific and move on to the global meeting in NY in March 2015.
- 2. To identify the areas of concerns and the gaps that needs to be address for the decade to come.
- 3. What are the activities Cambodian NGOs should join and implemented in the CSW 59 in New York:
- 4. Identify who will be able to go and have the fund secured already.

¹ http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/beijing/platform/plat2.htm

Outcomes:

- 1. Improved understanding on what is the Beijing+20 and CSW the process;
- 2. improved of an understanding of what the areas of importance and change in the Beijing + 20 declaration in Bangkok in November 2014;
- 3. A set of prioritized issues for Cambodian Women and agenda for 59th CSW;
- 4. A commitment of key stakeholders to participate in the process and advocacy;
- 5. Identified of next steps to do and to get the list of participants who will join the 59th CSW in New York.

Methodology of the workshop:

- 1. Reflecting on the advocacy activities was done in Beijing+20 by identifying the strength, weakness and improvement point
- 2. Plenary discussion on the exiting mechanism of government in implementing BPFA
- 3. Interactive discussion on the input to next advocacy plan for CSW 59
- 4. This workshop will be more of platform for sharing and learning.

Agenda:

Time	Agenda	Facilitators
8:00-8:15	Welcome and -Introduction	Ms. Ly Vichuta, Executive Director
		of LSCW
8:15-9:15	Testimony of women victims	Speakers:
	(land activists, Migration, garment	Ms. Chhim Channeang, NGO
	worker, HIV-AID)	CEDAW
		Ms. Khleang Sovanna, Network
	 Outcome of Briefing of the Beijing 	coordinator of GADNet
	Platform for Action /the process and the	Facilitator:
	declaration (BPFA)	Ms. Chan Sophoan, program
		coordinator, SILAKA
	Q & A	
9:15-09:45	-Global process from Millennium	Speakers:
	Development Goal to Sustainable	Mr. Vorn Veth, Good governance
	Development Goal	officer, UN Women
		Facilitator:
	Q & A	Mr. Srorn Sron, network
		coordinator of CamASEAN (TBC)
09:45-10:00	Coffee Break	
10:00-10:50	Identifying and prioritizing issues & agenda	Facilitator:
	for advocacy at the national and global	Ms. Ly Vichuta, executive director
	level	of LSCW
	Q & A	Ms. Seng Reasey, assistance to
		ED, SILAKA
10:50-12:00	Endorsement of Joint Statement	Ms. Thida Khus, executive
	Next steps	director of SILAKA
		Ms. Sin Ketsereyleak, gender
		coordinator of COMFREL
12:00-12:15	Summarizing and Closing	Ms. Thida Khus, executive
		director of SILAKA
12:15-13:30	Solidarity Lunch for Women	