

MUST SEE: YOUTH MADE ANTI-TRAFFICKING FILMS HEADED TO THAI CLASSROOMS

Youth created anti-trafficking films are being added to the school's must-see list, following a youth short film competition launched by the Thai Department of Social Development and Welfare, MTV Exit and World Vision. Youth groups from across the country submitted 10 short films aimed at raising awareness and promoting positive actions to prevent human trafficking by featuring the National Hotline number. The films were judged as part of Thailand's National Anti-Trafficking Day by staff from World Vision, MTV Exit, BATWC, and the Thailand Youth Council. The top three films won cash prizes and will be used as a springboard to organize community events locally.

Seeing the results, the Ministry of Social Development and Human Security in collaboration with the Ministry of Education plans on using the winning films for awareness in schools.



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ETIP HIGHLIGHTS

CAMBODIAN TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS IN CHINA: HOW WE GET THEM HOME

Although there's an increasing number of Cambodian victims trafficked into China, there is no Memorandum of Understanding between the two countries, thus there's no systematized repatriation system. The Chinese Ministry of Public Security (MPS) is mandated to identify trafficking victims, and the identified victims are sent back to Cambodia through the embassy. While international NGOs have limited involvement on trafficking issues, one exception is translation support during investigations. The Greater Mekong Subregion Interpretation Project, which ETIP is co-funding with UNACT, has supported 62 Cambodian cases in China so far this year.

World Vision and ETIP's Cambodia team regularly work with local NGOs after missing persons reports are filed. We help identify victim locations, working with partner organizations in China who have extensive volunteer networks. Victims are identified by Chinese police and the victims are repatriated to Cambodia with the support of embassy. ETIP works alongside several other international organizations to offer additional support as the survivors return home.

VIETNAM: STRENGTHENING LOCAL TRAFFICKING RESPONSE MECHANISMS

A series of workshops in Vietnam aimed to strengthen provincial capacity for victim identification have taken place, with nearly 150 police, justice officials, border guards and Department of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs employees taking part. Workshops were held in Quang Tri and Yen Bai provinces in May, and Quang Nam in June.

At the workshops, participants discussed how to improve the co-operation between service providers and strengthen the referral mechanism to make sure all the trafficked victims will receive appropriate reintegration support in the future. After the meeting, the referral directory of concerned agencies in each province is compiled and finalized.

CAMBODIA: 1,300 ATTEND YOUTH-LED ANTI-TRAFFICKING SHOW

A youth club in Rotanakmondul, Cambodia conducted a performance show in collaboration with MTV EXIT and Phare Punleu Selpak. The show included entertainment and anti-trafficking messages, such as songs by the youth, speeches by commune leaders, video clips, and a runway show with models who used the helpline number in creative ways. More than 1,300 people attended the event.

SURVIVOR STORY FROM MYANMAR: SOLD AS A CHINESE BRIDE FOR \$3,200 US

Phyu's eyes fill with tears as she talks about her darkest days in China. She was deceived by a broker and trafficked. She was sold to a Chinese man to be his wife. She was treated badly by her husband and mother-in-law.

Phyu was 17 when she left school and decided to leave her home in Mandalay. She wanted to contribute to the family's income, after her father became too ill to work. A broker persuaded Phyu to work in China. She was told that she could get a job as a sales girl or as an accountant.

Phyu received about 150,000 kyat (about 150 US dollars) and gave it for her father before leaving home. She was told that she would receive another 150 US dollars when she arrived in China.

"I realised only when I reached the house that I was taken to marry a Chinese man. On the way, I was told not to speak and threatened that I could have been shot," Phyu recalls.

"I know that I was sold to a Chinese man with Chinese Yuan 20,000 (about 3,200 USD)."

"I told them that it was illegal. But they said, if I tried to escape, I would be put into prison," Phyu says.

As Phyu could not repay the money and was afraid of being put into prison, Phyu accepted the marriage to a Chinese man.

"Since I left my town, I didn't get any money as promised," Phyu says.

When she tried to call the broker, to ask to leave, she was met with violence. "One day, five brokers came and beat me. My husband just watched while I was beaten until I was unconscious," Phyu recalls. "I was treated like an animal."

"Hearing the noise from the torture, a neighbour called the police. Having known the coming of police, they tied my hands, blindfolded me and put a cloth in my mouth so that I could not move, see and shout. They hid me in the box under the floor and covered the floor with flour bags," Phyu recalls. "The police searched but could not find me at first. More police arrived and finally found me and took me to the police station."

"I was kept in the police detaining centre for about two months and then sent back to Myanmar. At the police detaining centre, I saw some other Burmese girls like me. They were also sold to Chinese houses," Phyu continues with pain.

Phyu could not control her emotions as she kept sharing her terrible experiences.

When Phyu returned to Myanmar, World Vision helped her regain her self-esteem. In terms of support, World Vision helped Phyu attend sewing training and provided a sewing machine for her. World Vision also helped her to attend a three-month leadership and entrepreneurship training.

"When I was home, I was very depressed and ashamed. People treated me like a prostitute. I stayed at home and did nothing for two months," Phyu shares with pain.

"World Vision staff visited me while I was at home feeling so dejected. So, I shouted at them and rejected them. But they did not withdraw. They tried to get in touch with me, counsel me and support me with patience," Phyu shares.

Phyu now started her small business as a dressmaker together with her elder sister. She always participates in the trainings and trafficking awareness sessions for youth. "I don't want anyone to fall into the living hell like me. I never thought I'd become a victim of trafficking. I try to share my story with youths and young women. I will be satisfied if they can learn human trafficking from my story," Phyu says.



LAOS, MYANMAR & CAMBODIA: NEW CLIENT FOCUSED CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM ROLLED OUT

ETIP developed a case management system, creating new forms and a new system, to help staff and government social workers to identify the needs and make effective reintegration assistance plans for each client. The system uses an approach that analyzes the subjective needs of the client balanced with an objective assessment of available services and strengths of the client.

Training on the new case management system was conducted in Laos, Cambodia and Myanmar.

PREVENTION TOOLKIT PUBLISHED, INTRODUCED TO YOUTH CLUBS

The Smart Navigator materials which are being used in ETIP youth clubs throughout the region were finalised and published in English. The Toolkit features 31 sessions that focus on life skills to prevent unsafe migration and trafficking. The Manual introduces the youth club format and provides facilitation sessions for adults and youth and the Booklet is a passport sized document which all youth will receive in the training, that includes key checklists and reminders as well as emergency information. These materials are being translated in the six local languages and will be published locally in FY15.

CAMBODIA & THAILAND: 300+ YOUTH BUILD SKILLS AT FORUMS

ETIP Cambodia organised two forums in recent months, and ETIP Thailand one. In February, a National Youth Forum against Child Abuse, Child Labor and Trafficking in Persons was held in Phnom Penh. 194 young people shared their experiences, learned advocacy skills and discussed issues with government representatives.

In June, a provincial youth forum gathered 115 young people from three Cambodian provinces in Siem Reap. Participants planned future advocacy activities, learned how to use social media in advocacy campaigns and created a declaration outlining their concerns and ideas, which they later shared with the attending provincial government officials.

Also in June, ETIP Thailand organised a Youth Forum in Pattaya. It was attended by 32 young people from six ETIP locations. As part of the forum, the youths visited a government-run shelter and the privately-run Child Protection and Life Skill Development Center. They received training on advocacy and public speaking to create awareness by engaging radio stations, posting billboard signs, sharing information among their peers, and having safe migration campaigns in their community.



SIX-COUNTRY LEGISLATIVE ANALYSIS TO BE PUBLISHED BY 2015

The regional policy pillar carried out comparative analysis of legislative and policy frameworks in the ETIP countries. The report will help focus the national and regional policy influencing efforts and will seek to inform the SPA-4 planning by COMMIT governments. It will offer a comparative analysis of legislation and policies relevant to human trafficking in the six ETIP countries in addition to detailed analysis of the legislative and policy frameworks in Cambodia, China, Thailand and Myanmar, including gap analysis of these frameworks in relation to the stipulations of the main international conventions on human trafficking, ratified by the respective countries.

The report finds that legislative efforts to combat trafficking have advanced across the Greater Mekong Sub-region. It also identifies discrepancies across governance frameworks such as the significant variations in the definition of human trafficking and the lack of alignment to the principle of interconnectedness and indivisibility of human rights. The report is due to be published towards the end of 2014.

ETIP Vietnam organised a consultation workshop to gather comments about the Vietnam legislative analysis. It will inform decisions of policy makers and will help ETIP Vietnam fine tune their advocacy priorities for the next financial year.

THAILAND: MIGRANT YOUTH FIND A VOICE THROUGH FILM



Two migrant youth from Sangklaburi district in Thailand were selected to participate in the MTV EXIT Youth Forum which was held in Udon. The youth learned how to make films and use media to raise awareness about trafficking and safe migration. Before the training, the chosen youth did not have a Thai identification cards or legal identity documents because their parents both migrated to Thailand, and the government does not approve their citizenship.

World Vision ETIP staff worked with the local government to issue the two youth with legal travel documents. After the Youth Sessions, the two youth returned to their community and asked other youth club participants to help them develop the film. They assigned roles to club participants, wrote a script to convey an anti-trafficking messages and produced the film, with the help of World Vision communications staff. Their film presented a common story that is faced in their community, about a girl who was convinced to work as a prostitute by her boyfriend. The youth from Sangklaburi won third place in the Short Film Competition to End Human Trafficking, which was organized by the Thai Department of Social Development and Welfare, MTV EXIT, and World Vision, as a follow-up event to the MTV EXIT Youth Forum.



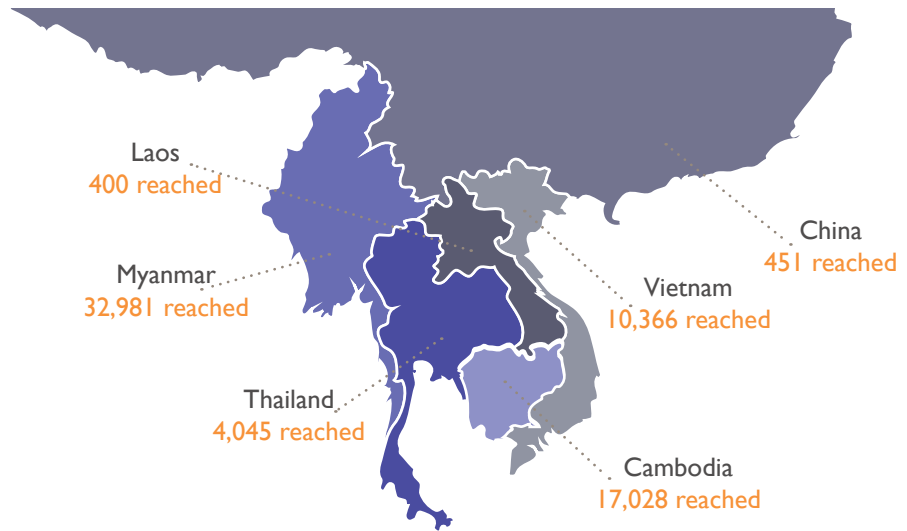
Photo captions: (Top) A MTV Exit leader presents on art and design at an Udon Thani event. (Top left) A Cambodian youth leader poses a question at a Siem Reap youth forum. (Bottom) Two Thai youth develop a plan their story during a workshop where they learned to make short films to combat human trafficking.

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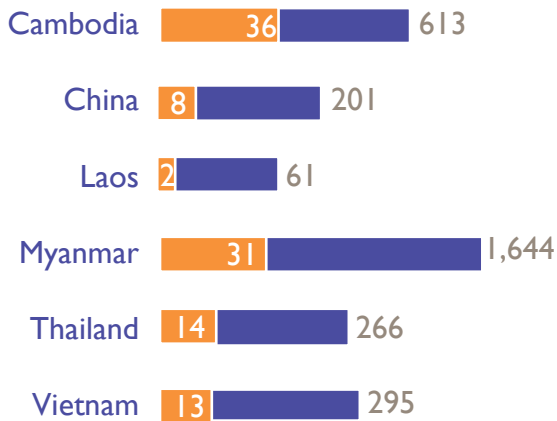
ANTI-TRAFFICKING AWARENESS EVENTS

Total Number Reached FY14
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65,271

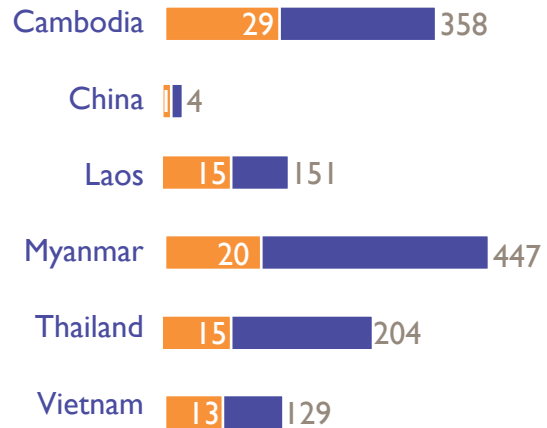


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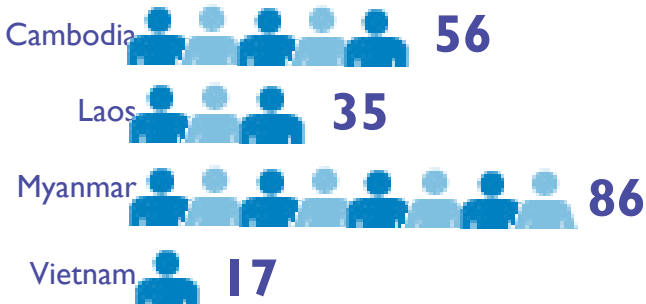


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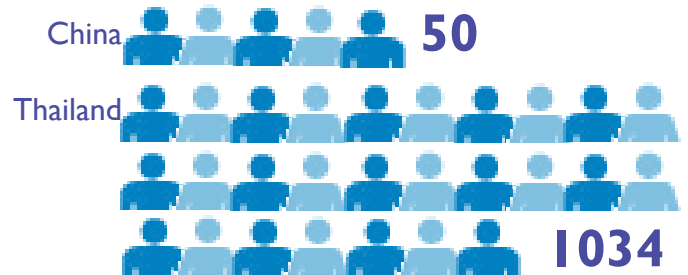
TRAFFICKING PREVENTION GROUPS



REINTEGRATION ASSISTANCE TO TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS



CASES ASSISTED IN DESTINATION COUNTRIES



ABOUT END TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

World Vision's End Trafficking In Persons Programme (ETIP) is a regional anti-trafficking programme implemented in Cambodia, China, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand, and Vietnam focusing on three main pillars: prevention of the vulnerable from being trafficked, protection of human trafficking survivors, and promotion of improved anti-trafficking government policies.

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