

Voices of Civil Parties



"What I would like to inform the Court is that my life has been miserable unfortunate... I have lost all my relatives, my siblings, and my parents. I have nothing more left. I have endured all the miserable things in my life. My difficulties, my misery, cannot be put into words. It is indescribable."

Sophan Sovany, KRT Monitor Issue 61

"We all know that many people died. Is there any new family that did not lose a family member? Many people died. My younger brother and my younger sister's families died, and even with my family itself, my wife and three children and the extended family members -- there were 18 of us as I indicated this morning -- all died, except myself that survive."

Pin Yathay, KRT Monitor Issue 52

"When you see your daughter dying of hunger, and she says, 'Mommy, can I have a bowl of rice?' I was never able to give her that bowl of rice before she died... I can tell you I have undergone harm"

Denise Affonco, KRT Monitor Issue 46

"And I, at that time, kneeled down and begged for my life. But at the same time, I was very brave; I told them then okay just kill me then because there's nothing left for me to live in this world. Because you already made my life - our life a living hell; you killed all [my] family members."

Or Ry, KRT Monitor Issue 44

"I lost everything, and instead I was terrified, emotionally and physically, and it still remains with me today: the crimes that devastated myself and my family and my entire nation and people."

Pech Srey Phal, KRT Monitor Issue 45

"I could not hold my tears because, If I recall my past I sometime cannot hold my tears. And I was a man; I suffer from it, but I could also imagine the feeling of the lady; she was suffering from it as well."

Pin Yathay, KRT Monitor Issue 52

"Even these days, I still see the Khmer Rouge soldiers fighting with me, chasing me in my dreams, and I would wake up to the nightmare almost every night. I have been traumatized by the events... I think I don't have - I don't know how I can put all this suffering into words."

Chum Sokha, KRT Monitor Issue 41