

Handa Center's 'Community of Practice': Teaching Human Rights and Gender

Saturday 24 June 2017 – 9 AM - 11:30 AM
Topic: Teaching Human Rights and Gender



(Brainstorming Activity)



(Fishbowl Dialogue)

Last weekend the WSD Handa Center for Human Rights and International Justice's Cambodia Programs held the third session in its new 'Community of Practice' series. On Saturday 24 June nine law lecturers and legal professionals from different universities gathered at the office of the Handa Center in Phnom Penh. Participants came from a range of backgrounds and currently teach at universities in Phnom Penh including Paññāsāstra University, the Royal University of Law and Economics and the Royal University of Phnom Penh. The main objective of this session was to introduce new teaching methodologies while exploring issues related to gender in Cambodia.

Mr. Tay Lina, Acting Director of the Handa Center's Cambodia Programs opened the session by introducing new learning activities and materials to assist with teaching human rights and gender. As a warm-up, participants were asked to work in two groups based to brainstorm the difference between sex and gender. Then each group was asked to present their findings. Following this, participants were asked to brainstorm different kinds of violence women face during their life cycle. After a coffee break, the group was split into different small groups discuss the structural and social factors that contribute to violence against women through the "fishbowl" observational dialogue method.

These regular sessions are envisioned as an opportunity for young law professionals and educators to come together to share ideas and support each other. A series of two more sessions is planned over the coming months, with more to come in the future.

The next Community of Practice session will be held on **Saturday 29 July 2017 at 9am**. To join the Community of Practice or for more information please contact Mr. Tay Lina via email on lina.tay@handacentercambodia.org or by phone at (855) 968 181 145.



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