



NCS/STSLs activities during Jan-Jun 2012 and plans

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- Cambodia has demonstrated a high commitment/ to the combating of human trafficking in the past decades/ by signing and ratifying the UN instruments such as CEDAW in 1992, adopted the 1st law on Suppression of Human trafficking in 1996 and renewed it in 2008 to be consistent with the UN Palermo protocol, ratifying ILO conventions and other human rights instrument, signed the bilateral and multi lateral MoUs and agreements with relevant countries and in the region, in promoting safe migration and combat trafficking.
- To ensure the enforcement of those laws and policies/ the Royal Government of Cambodia has improving mechanisms at all levels. The Department

- of Human Trafficking and Juvenile Protection at the Ministry of Interior was established in 2000. Cambodia has been actively involved in COMMIT process, the Great Mekong sub region initiative to combat trafficking in person, since its inception in 2004. A National Task Force on counter trafficking was established in 2007 to implement the bilateral and multi lateral agreements and a High Level Working Groups to lead the suppression of human trafficking and sexual exploitation in women and children/ in the same year. These mechanisms have all been crucial to our national response to the challenges of trafficking and promoting rights based safe migration.
- In 2009, the last two mechanisms have been compromised into one, called the National Committee to Lead the

Establishment of the NC/STSLs

- 25 September 2009
- By the RGC Sub Decree
- The only national mechanism which combine efforts of the Government institutions, local authorities, forces and NGOs, from national to sub national level
- To combat all forms of trafficking and exploitation in person.

Structures

- 1. Minister of Ministry of Interior Chairperson
- 2. Minister of Ministry of Women's Affairs Vice-chairperson
- 3. Minister of Ministry of Social Affairs, Veterans and Youth Rehabilitation Vice- chairperson
- 4. Minister of Ministry of Justice Vice-chairperson
- 5. Minister of Ministry of Labor and Vocational Training Vice-chairperson
- 6. Minister of Ministry of Tourism Member
- 7. Minister of Ministry of Health Member
- 8. Minister of Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports Member
- 9. Secretary of the Council of Ministers 01 person Member
- 10. SS of Ministry of Interior (01) Permanent Member as Head of the NC Secretariat
- 11. Secretary of State of Ministry of National Defense 01 person Member
- 12. SS of Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (01) Member
- 13. Secretary of State of Ministry of Information 01 person Member
- 14. Secretary of State of Ministry of Economy and Finance 01 person Member
- 15. Secretary of State of Ministry of Culture and Fine Art 01 person Member
- 16. Secretary of State of Ministry of Post and Telecommunication 01 person Member
- 17. Commissar General of National Police Member
- 18. Commander of Military Police Member.

Roles and Duties

- Lead coordination with Ministries, partner institutions and relevant countries to protect citizens especially women and children to get out of trafficking, smuggling, labor exploitation and sexual exploitation
- Be the direct commander on the secretariat in monitoring and evaluating the situation, implementation of plans to combat human trafficking, smuggling, labor exploitation and sexual exploitation in women and children of the 06 (six) technical working groups and provincial and municipal commanding units
- Review and decides on reports submitted by the secretariat for further submission to the Royal Government
- Review, resolve suggestion and recommendation, advise, lead to enable the implementation of the secretariat and all working groups and take actions in accordance with their targets
- Guide and encourage the provincial-municipal commanding units, competent authority, Ministries, and relevant institutions to strengthen their focus and responsibility in combating human trafficking, smuggling, labor exploitation, and sexual exploitation in women and children
- Take actions to rescue, protect and uphold better quality of services of rehabilitation, reintegration and repatriation of victims especially women and children

Roles and Duties

- Eradicate impunity by encouraging investigation and prosecution on ring leaders and offenders in relations to human trafficking, smuggling, labor exploitation and sexual exploitation in women and children
- Raise awareness to increase confidence of citizens especially victims on public services and increase participation in legal enforcement
- Be responsible for leading the coordination among relevant working groups and sub national committees
- National Committee convenes every quarter to exchange ideas on reports prepared by the secretariat; solve suggestions; review the proposed recommendations, evaluate the situation, and set objectives and strategies
- In case of necessity, the chairperson can summon an extraordinary meeting. In each meeting, there could be a representative, high ranking official with a privilege to make decision, to participate in the meeting if any member is absent
- Regularly submit report to the Head of the Royal Government on the works to combat human trafficking, smuggling, labor exploitation, and sexual exploitation in women and children
- National Committee S.T.S.L.S has the privilege to use the separate logo and seal of the National Committee S.T.S.L.S.

NC Secretariat

- Chaired by a Secretary of State of the Min. of Interior, (HE. Mrs. Chou Bun Eng)
- Vices Chaired by State Secretaries of:
 - Min. of Women's Affairs
 - Min. of Social Affairs
 - Min. of Labor
 - Min. of Justice
 - Head of National Police
- With members are from various ministries
- A permanent staff team and Department of Anti trafficking and Juvenile Protection of the National Police , Min. of Interior as

NC Secretariat

- Seven working groups (multi disciplinary group):
 - Prevention Working Group leads by MoWA
 - Protection of Victims Working Group leads by MoSVY
 - Law Enforcement Working Group leads by National Police
 - Justice Working Group leads by MoJ
 - Int'l Collaboration Working Group leads by MoWA
 - Child Affairs Working Group leads by MosVY, focus on combating child abuses
 - Migration Working Group leads by MoLVT
- Each WG Vice chaired by a representative of NGOs
- Same structure at sub-national level.

Achievement

- Sub -Committees and Secretariats at all municipality and provinces established.
- Capacity building training/Workshop to law enforcers (police, military police, prosecutors, lawyers, ...)
- Follow up key ministries 'commitment in achieving National Action Plan on STSLS
- Strengthen capacity of the six working groups and provincial secretariats in achieving tasks and collaboration.

Achievement

- Strengthen collaboration among stake holders
- Disseminate annual reports (2010, 2011) by combining all efforts of governmental, non governmental organizations and stakeholders
- Finalize and launch the National Plan of Action to combat trafficking and exploitation in person for 2011-2013, especially women and children
- Support provinces and working groups in setting up their implementation plan, 2012-2013.

Next

- Establish an additional working group on Gender and migration and initiate appropriate policy, tools and procedures to manage irregular migration in order to promote safer migration
- Follow up implementation plans on combating Trafficking in Person and Sexual exploitation and abuse
- Prevention strategy initiative
- More focus on pedophile and trafficking and exploitation under migration image.
- Follow up the implementation of MoUs and agreements
- Measures to reduce vulnerability of migrant workers through recruitment agencies
- Strengthen collaboration with stakeholders.

Thank you