

PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

Pathway to Gender Equality: Safeguarding Women and Young Girls in Cambodia against Gender-Based Violence

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A QUARTER'S OVERVIEW

Reporting period:
1st July to 30th Sep 2022

1. Establishment of the Technical Working Group on GBV Digital Platform

The Ministry of Women's Affairs held a kick-off meeting on the GBV Digital Platform in August 2022. The meeting successfully brought together 12 key stakeholders with a total of 45 participants (25 females), including 7 line ministries (Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, Ministry of Labor and Vocational Training, Ministry of Social Affairs, Veterans and Youth Rehabilitation, Ministry of Transport, Communications and Posts, Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Information) and 5 partner organisations such as CARE International and Transcultural Psychosocial Organization (TPO) which are playing vital roles in responding GBV and sexual harassment.

Based on the recommendations from the kickoff meeting, the inter-ministerial working group called the Technical Working Group on the GBV Digital Platform was established to support the development and implementation of digital interventions including the GBV Mobile APP. The TWG provides strategic advice including reviewing the contents and testing of the platforms, training service providers and coordinating the activities among stakeholders to ensure connection and synergies for the best outputs of the project. They are also responsible for monitoring and evaluation and providing advice on potential partnerships and resource mobilization for project sustainability.



Ministry secretary of state Hou Samith made remarks at the meeting



Kickoff meeting with ministries, NGOs and UNFPA

2. GBV Specialist and experts as key members to develop the App

A GBV specialist joined the project in August, who is familiar with the GBV context and related programmes in Cambodia. She is working on developing the content for Mobile App, referral mechanism, and data-sharing protocol for the GBV digital platform liaising with the GBV Digital platform TWG. To ensure the effectiveness and safety of the GBV digital platform, UNFPA established a small technical group. The group consists of the project team and the GBV specialist from the UNFPA Cambodia office, and GBV and Technology experts from the UNFPA Headquarters and Regional Office who have been involved in GBV digital intervention in other countries. This group provides technical and strategic guidance and governance to the project implementation of the GBV digital platform and ensures that the project is aligned with national priorities and frameworks, including taking into account the GBV survivor-centred approach.

Key Activity for next quarter

A service mapping of GBV response agencies and organizations will be developed in cooperation with the GBV digital platform TWG. This is a crucial foundation to enable GBV victims to access the services needed and refer or introduce them to the relevant sector. The IT firm will start to work on the development of the software system.

3. Fact sheet of the needs assessment

The key findings of the need assessment were summarised as the fact sheet leaflet to disseminate the findings to beneficiaries and partners. This will be published as one of the communication materials during UNFPA's 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence Campaign to raise awareness, mobilize advocacy and inspired action to combat GBV.



Fact sheet about GBV and sexual harassments (Khmer)