

Rights of Migrants in Action

Foundation for Education and Development: Rights for Burmese domestic migrant workers in Phang Nga

Project timeframe: February 2016 - April 2017

Key features

Co-funded by the EU and the IFRC, the project "Domestic Workers Rights" or Burmese migrant workers in Thailand constitutes a part of the Migrant Development Program of the Foundation of the Education and Development (FED). The goal of the project is to empower migrants and to raise awareness about migrants' rights and legal frameworks in Thailand.

In 2016, the project team organized 19 empowerment training sessions for domestic workers, two public forums and three civil society network meetings. These took place in the areas of Mae Sot, Bangkok, Ranong, Suratthani, Phuket, Samut Sakorn and Phang Nga covering about 1,753 people directly. In addition, some 9,562 people were reached indirectly through printed publications, FED radio broadcasts, website and social media platforms (Facebook and Instagram).

During the rights awareness sessions for Burmese migrants, FED team distributed essential information about the benefits of safe migration and risks of human trafficking and smuggling. Furthermore, participants received detailed information about application process for a Thai identification card for non-citizens (pink card), labor and social protection of migrant workers as well as emergency numbers to call in the situations of distress.





Empowering Burmese women: breaking stereotypes and giving females knowledge, strength and confidence to stand up for their rights.

Women empowerment is a core component of the project run by the Foundation for Education and Development in the South of Thailand. In the past year, FED organized 19 domestic worker empowerment sessions for 877 Burmese migrants, including 587 women and 290 men. Aside from the educational component, these sessions are designed to break gender-specific stereotypes and promote the equal role that females play in the society.

Furthermore, FED provides opportunities for migrant women and young girls to participate in women's exchange programs, vocational skills training, internship program and community's health volunteers program.

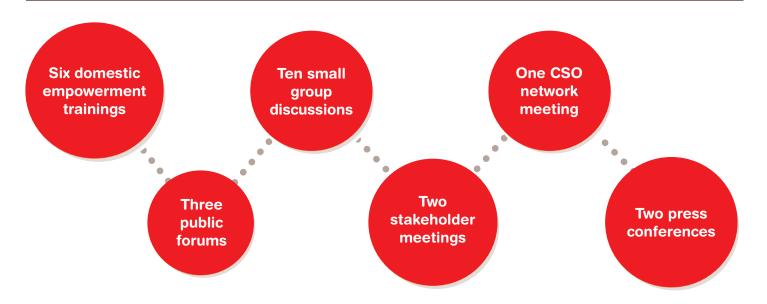




Number of people reached in 2016

Activity			Indirect recipients
Domestic Empowerment Training	111	412	562
TOT - Staff CapacityBuilding	5	10	•
CSO Network Meeting	45	40	106
Public Forum	89	152	•
Shelter	19	14	
Radio broadcasts	189	104	2,000
Publication & Media	283	280	7,000
Total	741	1012	9,562

Looking ahead to 2017





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