

ASIA WOMEN LEADERS PROGRAM PHASE III FORWARD PLANNING

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OUTLINE



AWLP Approach

Regional Training (2014-2018)

In-Country TOT+Roll-out Cambodia (2019)

Planning for AWLP Phase III



AWLP APPROACH



THREE-PRONGED PROGRAM

- Making connections between gender equality, women's leadership and inclusive growth
- Improving skills for
 - Communication w/video-taped practice, peer feedback and expert coaching
 - Negotiation w/small group case study discussion and role play
 - Building networks and coalitions w/focused discussion and peer exchange
- Learning from inspirational role models in public/private sector and civil society

TARGETED TO:

Senior women government officials in

Ministry of Finance Ministry of Economy Ministry of Planning and Investment Ministry of Women and Children Infrastructure-related Ministries Transport/Roads Public Works/Housing Rural development Urban infrastructure Energy/Power

AWLP – 5 Regional (2014-2018)



- 96 senior women government officials trained
- **30 eminent women leaders** from government, private sector and civil society in the region **as motivational resource speakers**
- **27 countries** in Asia and the Pacific:

<u>Central Asia:</u> Armenia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Pakistan, Tajikistan <u>East Asia:</u> Mongolia, China, South Korea

South Asia: Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Sri Lanka

Southeast Asia: Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Philippines, Timor Leste, Viet Nam

Pacific: FSM, Fiji, Nauru, PNG, Marshall Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu





PHNOM PENH – 2015



MANILA – 2016





TOKYO – 2018



COUNTRY-BASED AWLP: CAMBODIA – 2019



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AWLP Cambodia - March 2019



Core Training:

Learning/Practicing Communications and Negotiation Skills + Motivational speakers on leadership and gender equality

- 32 senior women (+2 men) government officials
- 19 Ministries in Cambodia

MoWA, MoP, MoME, MoE, MAFF, MoC, MoCS, MoCFA, MoND, MoEYS, MoH, MoEF, MoI, MoJ, MoLVT, MoLMUPC, MoPWT, MoRD, CNCW

- 7 AWLP alumni
- CARM Social Development Officer

Training Of Trainers (TOT):

AWLP Certified Master Trainers + TOT Manual

- 8 Cambodian Master Trainers from MoWA, CNCW, and RSA trainers became AWLP-Certified Communication Trainers
- 4 Translators joined training and translated AWLP materials
- TOT Manual in Khmer :"The Art Of Communications Training"

<u>AWLP – Cambodia Network:</u> 40 Alumni and resource speakers different ages, levels and backgrounds supporting each other

AWLP Roll-Out Training: National Budget Support

• <u>Women's Leadership Training Post AWLP-Cambodia (2019</u> <u>April onwards)</u>

AWLP-Cambodia MoWA pool of trainers (8)

Under the leadership of H.E. Kheng Sam Vada

- 1. MoWA Provincial leaders
- 2. 4 times, 205 participants and 185 women
- 3. Female leaders at district level from 9 provinces: 54 women
- 4. Youth's Networks of MoWA: 20 Women, 6 men

- 1. Ministry of National Defense: 64 women, 1 man
- 2. Ministry of Environment: 2 times, 177 women
- 3. Ministry of Interior/female police officers
- 4. National School of local Administration (NASLA) program- to female district governors anddeputies

AWLP Cambodia – Enabling Environment



- Government's commitment to women's empowerment and leadership at the highest level - PM's goal to ensure full & equal participation of women in decisionmaking at all levels and to strengthen accountability mechanisms in government institutions to monitor progress
- Ministry of Women's Affairs collaboration with ADB to organize the 2nd Regional AWLP + ownership to carry out the first country-focused AWLP +TOT + Country Roll-Out
- Sector Line Ministries' Gender Mainstreaming Working Groups
- Sector Line Ministries' Strategic and Gender Mainstreaming Action Plans (incorporating women's leadership training)
- CARM's commitment to strengthen women's leadership under its CPS and project portfolio. (Country gender assessment)

AWLP Cambodia – Lessons Learned



- The country-level investment made with AWLP Core Training + TOT
 > benefits from policy level support
 - requires institutional mechanisms
 - Pneeds qualified local trainer pool + TOT manual in local language
 - Preeds financial resources for trainings at national and provincial levels to become sustainable
 - Strong support from higher-levels in organization in making significant progress regarding the roll-out training for lineministries and sub-national levels to enhance capacity building in leadership and promote gender equity

More attraction, more benefits, better coaching methods (key point in the training)









How to Scale Up in AWLP Phase III



• **SCOPE:** Regional or Country-Focused Training? Or Both?

• APPROACH: Keep Three-Pronged Approach or Adjust?

1. Connecting women's leadership with gender equality and inclusive growth

- 2. Building communications and negotiations skills and networks
- 3. Motivational speakers on personal leadership journeys

 PARTICIPANTS: Continue targeting senior women public sector officials in male-dominated sectors or Diversify? (wider range of Ministries? Open to private sector/civil society? Different Levels/Ages?)

DELIVERY METHOD: In-Person Training vs. Virtual Training

(In-person: small groups +video-taped practice vs. Virtual: larger groups, no video practice)



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THANK YOU