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Colombo Plan Staff Retreat 2015

The Colombo Plan Staff Retreat for 2014 was held at Cinnamon Bey, Beruwela, Sri Lanka from 4–6 January, 2015. This retreat was important: firstly, it was the first retreat under the leadership of Mr. Kinley Dorji, the 6th Secretary-General of Colombo Plan, who assumed the post in May 2014; and secondly, all CP staff members stationed outside Sri Lanka (Afghanistan Field Office and Pakistan) were invited to join the retreat.





# HIGHLIGHTS OF ACTIVITIES 2014 - 2015



**COLOMBO PLAN**  
Secretariat



Message from the

## Secretary-General

On the occasion of the 64<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Colombo Plan



On the happy occasion of the 64th Anniversary of the founding of the Colombo Plan, I am honoured to extend, on behalf of the Secretariat and the staff and my own, good wishes and heartfelt felicitations to the peoples and the governments of the Member States of the Colombo Plan.

Over these 64 years, the Colombo Plan grew with the initial 7 members to an increased number of 27 Member States. With a great sense of pride I would like to mention that Colombo Plan has a well established tradition of holding

Consultative Committee Meetings once in two years, among the member states for policy cohesion. The Colombo Plan also holds quarterly Council Meetings attended by the Ambassadors and High Commissioners of the Member States based in Colombo and the adjoining States. These regular meeting forums facilitate and foster continued partnership concept of “planning prosperity together” for the Member States.

The Colombo Plan has a great legacy of excellence since 1951. Many remarkable achievements of the Colombo Plan

have been made possible because of the commitment of its member countries.

Some of the early projects of the Colombo Plan have been the infrastructure development programmes which are self evident in many of the developing Member States. As we all know, the Colombo Plan is well known in its history for its scholarship programme which has provided many opportunities in developing human resources in various fields. Colombo Plan also continues in its efforts to promote the programmes for public administration and environment and private sector development.

I am also happy to mention here that Colombo Plan currently plays an important role globally in the promotion of drug prevention education, treatment and rehabilitation services including social reintegration programmes for communities through many specialized projects.

The most recent initiative of the Colombo Plan is the promotion and institutionalization of the Gender Affairs Programme (GAP). Through this programme, we intend to enhance women and children related activities in the member states.

We, the staff of the Colombo Plan Secretariat remain ever grateful to our Member States for their continued co-operation and to the Government of Sri Lanka as the host country. We are confident that Sri Lanka will continue to support the founding vision of the Colombo Plan from the present to the future, as they have done in the past.

I am honoured to continue the excellent work that has been carried out by my predecessors in the last 64 years and look forward to making the Colombo Plan a more dynamic and vibrant organization.

**Kinley Dorji**  
Secretary-General  
Colombo Plan Secretariat



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## Colombo Plan

# Special Activities

June 2014 to June 2015

Year	Date	Month	Activity
2014	1	July	Colombo Plan 63rd Anniversary- Reception held at Kingsbury Hotel Chief Guest: Hon. Mr G. L. Peiris, Minister of External Affairs Launch of the 2nd Edition of the Coffee Table Book Assisting Sri Lanka Railways to paint three Canadian railway engines gifted to Sri Lanka by Canada through Colombo Plan
	11	August	Standing Committee Meeting
	12	August	283 <sup>rd</sup> Council Session
	8-10	September	44 <sup>th</sup> Consultative Committee Meeting held in Kathmandu, Nepal
	4-5	November	Mission from National Rehabilitation Centre (NRC), Abu Dhabi Headed by the Director General HE Dr. Hamad to the Colombo Plan Secretariat. Main topic of discussion UAE membership to Colombo Plan
	12 17	November November	Standing Committee Meeting 284 <sup>th</sup> Council Session
2015	4-6	January	Staff Retreat at the Cinnamon Bey, Beruwela
	20	March	Standing Committee Meeting
	8	April	Special session of the Standing Committee Meeting
	20	April	285 <sup>th</sup> Council Session
	30	June	64 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Colombo Plan Reception at the Hilton Residence



# HIGHLIGHTS

Secretary General's  
Official Overseas Visits

2014/2015



# Kazakhstan & Tajikistan

May 2014



The Secretary General visited the Central Asia in the year 2014 and again in 2015. His very first official visit was a few days after assuming office in May 2014 to Kazakhstan and Tajikistan. The mission was intended to fulfill a long standing goal to invite the Governments of Kazakhstan and Tajikistan to join the Colombo Plan membership. He was able to establish contacts with key officials of Ministry of Health, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Internal Affairs and other important organizations and present the Colombo Plan's vision and services.

Supporting his mission were the Director of DAP Mr. Riva Setiawan and Director of ICCE Mr Tay Bian How and the INL Team, Mr Thomas Brown and Mr. Brian Morales.

The Secretary General visited Kazakhstan once again in October 2014 to participate in the inauguration of the Training of Trainers Course for 32 treatment and prevention professionals conducted by ICCE. He further discussed CP membership with the Minister of Health and Vice Minister of Education in Astana during this visit.

## 44<sup>th</sup> CCM Preparatory Meeting

# Kathmandu, Nepal

15 -19 July 2014



*Mr. Kinley Dorji with the Honourable Vice Chairperson of the National Planning Commission. Also in the picture Mr Lal Shanker Ghimire, Joint Secretary and Dr. Lok Nath Bhusal from the National Planning Commission of Nepal.*

The Secretary General with two Colombo Plan officials made a brief visit to Kathmandu to discuss the arrangements for the 44<sup>th</sup> Consultative Committee Meeting (CCM) in Nepal scheduled to be held from 8-10<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at the SOALTEE Crowne Plaza Hotel.

He met with the Steering Committee officials headed by Dr. Som Lal Subedi, Member

Secretary National Planning Commission and the members of the Focal Point, led by Mr. Lal Shanker Ghimire, Jt. Secretary of the National Planning Commission of the Government of Nepal. Mr Dorji took the opportunity to make a presentation to the Steering Committee on the suggested draft agenda. The meeting was very fruitful and laid the foundation for a successful event of the 44<sup>th</sup> CCM.

## Chiang Mai, Thailand

3 -5 September 2014



*A session in progress*

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Drug Focal Points Meeting of the Colombo Plan Drug Advisory Programme (CPDAP) was held in Chiang Mai from 3-5 September, with a stress on ‘strengthening networking and collaborations’ as an effective way to fight drug use in the region.

The meeting was hosted by the Colombo Plan in collaboration with the ONCB, with three days of deliberations, discussions and action planning to strengthen networks among various areas of Drug Demand and Supply Reduction were the highlights.

Stressing on “self help and mutual help”, the Secretary General called upon the member countries to plan at least one collaborative programme with the Colombo Plan as a commitment for enhancing networks. He also emphasised the need for organizing regional and sub-regional programmes. Mr. Kinley Dorji further presented an overview of the Colombo Plan activities since its inception in 1951, during the meeting.

## Kathmandu, Nepal

8 -10 September, 2014



The 44th Consultative Committee Meeting of the Colombo Plan was held from 8<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> September, 2014 hosted by the Government of Nepal in Kathmandu. The last time Nepal hosted the CCM was in 1977 and it had the opportunity of hosting after 37 years.

A total of 24 Member Countries from South Asia/Sub region of South West Asia, South East Asia and Asia Pacific took part in the highest policy making meeting of the Colombo Plan organized by National Planning Commission (NPC) of Nepal. Additionally the Colombo Plan Staff College also made an important participation.

The Secretary General called upon Members to support and guide him in future work of the Secretariat, including the strengthening of the organization.

The Secretary General underlined that each of the existing programs of the Colombo Plan are equally important and relevant. However, he said although dimensions and focus areas are different, the underlining principle is still “self help and mutual help” and reaching out to the un-reached.

The Secretary General also pointed out that drug menace is a common problem faced by all countries and made a mention of the growing new trends like abuse of pharmaceutical drugs, synthetic drugs and the abuse of opiates drugs etc.

Further the Secretary General presented an overview on the Colombo Plan on current programme activities and future initiatives.

## Melaka, Malaysia

22 - 26 September, 2014



School-based Prevention Track, group picture with the Colombo Plan Secretary-General

The Colombo Plan, working in partnership with Asian Cities Against Drugs and Melaka Historical City Council, organized the 7th ASCAD International Conference and Workshop for Drug Demand Reduction Specialists in Melaka, Malaysia from September 22 to 26, 2014. The theme of the conference was “Professionalising” Drug Demand Reduction Services – from Research to Practice”. A total of 247 participants from 24 countries attended the conference. Other collaborating agencies for this international conference were Melaka State Government, National Anti Drugs Agency, Ministry of Home Affairs, Malaysia and Solace Sabah.

The conference not only aimed at professionalizing drug demand reduction practitioners and evidence-based services but also highlighted the importance of capacity building, skills training, and credentialing system for both prevention and treatment specialists and facilities. The conference also provided an opportunity for sharing of experiences and best practices in the region.

The closing ceremony of the international conference and workshop was attended by DG of NADA, Secretary General of Colombo Plan, Mayor of Melaka City and founder of Solace Sabah.

## Training Programme on Empowering Women through Social, Economic and Cultural Intervention

# Bali, Indonesia

22 - 29 September, 2014



The fifth joint collaboration on the Training Course on empowering women through Social, Economic and Cultural Intervention was implemented in the partnership that has been established in 2009 between the Colombo Plan and the Government of Indonesia from 22nd to 29th September, 2014 through the Ministry of State Secretariat. This Training Programme

marks a milestone in the long history of the Colombo Plan and also a fine example of South-south Technical Cooperation among developing countries.

Mr. Kinley Dorji, Secretary General of the Colombo Plan Secretariat joined the closing of the training programme.

## 36th Meeting of HONLEA

# Bangkok, Thailand

21 - 24 September 2014



*Mr. Kinley Dorji – Secretary General of Colombo Plan (middle) with delegation from Japan during the 36<sup>th</sup> HONLEA Meeting in Bangkok, Thailand*

Secretary General of Colombo Plan Mr. Kinley Dorji was present in the meeting as an effort to develop cooperation with the focal point under the supply reduction network. He also held talks with the delegates about the possibility of capacity building collaboration related to Law enforcement and supply reduction for CP

members. One of the personal observations made by him is that there exists a gap between the drug demand reduction and supply reduction programme. Therefore, some of the awareness programmes need to be promoted for more effective outreach of the supply reduction programme to the public.

## 4th ICCE Commission Meeting

# Abu Dhabi, UAE

2 - 3 February, 2014



The Secretary General attended the 4th ICCE Commission Meeting in Abu Dhabi. The Commission is the Policy making body that oversees and ensures the highest quality and standard of the ICCE credentialing training initiatives.

## ICCE Expert working group meeting

# Dubai, UAE

5 - 6 February, 2015

While attending the ICCE Expert Working Group Meeting, the Secretary General had discussions with Treatment Expert on different issues.



# Visit to India

6-12 February 2015



*Secretary General with Mr KUMAR TUHIN Jt. Secretary Ministry of External Affairs*

The Secretary General visited New Delhi and had important and fruitful meetings with the high officials of the CP Focal Point and other Ministries and related organizations.

**The Secretary General had talks with key officials of the Colombo Plan Focal Point in the Ministry of External Affairs, headed by Mr Kumar Tuhin, Jt. Secretary. Some of the key points discussed with MEA officials included the following, in addition to other subject matters of mutual interest.**

1. Follow up on 44th CCM pledges.
2. Pledge for 90 training slots for the Colombo Plan Secretariat (CPS) and additional 410 training slots for the Colombo Plan member countries to be followed up as under;
  - Ministry of External Affairs to prepare and share with CPS, an annual training plan and schedule for the 2015-16, that will cover 410 slots.
  - Colombo Plan to publicize the training programmes and seek nominations through the CPS current networks of National Focal Points in member countries for the participation in the trainings.
3. Deputation of Resource Persons
4. Customized training programmes for the CP member countries

# Visit to India

6 - 12 February 2015



He also met with key officials from the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment headed by Ms. Ghasala Meenai, Jt. Secretary.

#### The Key Resolutions in the meeting were:

1. The Secretary General noted that Child Substance Use Disorder Treatment Project as a new area under the Colombo Plan Secretariat and they requested for nomination of master trainers was discussed with MSJE.
2. The status of addiction among children was discussed, where the Secretary General noted the need to address child addiction in Manipur, Punjab and Arunachal Pradesh. MSJE noted the upcoming Drug user survey in Manipur could incorporate children.
3. The ICCE UTC training schedule for 2015 in India was shared with MSJE, which is to involve 10 RRTC's under the National Institute of Social Defense (NISD) for UTC training.
4. The MSJE to coordinate in hosting the Regional Drug Focal Point Meeting with the Home Affairs Ministry
5. The Secretary-General proposed that issues covering both DDR and DSR in the region could be taken up during the scheduled Drug Focal Point Meeting to be held in Delhi in September 2015.

# Visit to India

6 - 12 February 2015



Thereafter the Secretary General also met with key officials from the Ministry of Home Affairs headed by Mr Ashok Prasad, Principal Secretary of the Ministry of Home Affairs.

#### Highlights of the discussions were on:

1. Regional Drug Focal Point meeting scheduled in September 2015 and its planning and procedures.
2. Precursor Chemical Control
3. Sharing of Experiences on Drug Border Control/transit/intelligence.
4. Alternate Livelihood means for drug/poppy farmers.
5. Pharmaceutical drug abuse.

The Secretary General also had a meeting with the key officials from the Ministry of Health in New Delhi, headed by Mr K. C. Samria, IAS, Jt. Secretary.

The Secretary General briefed the officials on the newly started child addiction project and the selection of 10 Master Trainers from India, the upcoming regional Dap Focal Point Meeting with the Ministry Home Affairs, mapping of treatment and resource centres and the launching of ISSUP website and DAP network.

Further topics of mutual interest were also discussed at the meeting.

# Visit to India

6 - 12 February 2015

## Meeting with National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development (NIESBUD)

The Secretary General also visited and had meetings with the high officials of the National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development (NIESBUD) and International Center for Information Systems and Audit (ICISA)

## Meeting with Mongolian Ambassador in New Delhi

The Secretary General also took the opportunity of this visit to India to meet with the Mongolian Ambassador in New Delhi HE Mr Sanaasuren Bayara to further discuss the continuation of the Mongolian membership with Colombo Plan.

## Meeting with the Ambassador of the Republic of Fiji

The next highlight of the Secretary General's visit to New Delhi was the meeting he had with the Ambassador of the Republic of Fiji in India HE Mr. Yogesh Karan.

The important topics of discussions were the 45th Consultative Committee Meeting which is to be hosted by the Government of Fiji 2016.

The Ambassador of Fiji and the Secretary General also discussed other matters of mutual interest especially pertaining to CP GAP programme and the consideration of collaboration from the Govt. of Fiji to conduct cost-sharing training programmes on ICCE/UTC for the Pacific Region Countries prior to the 45th CCM.



*Secretary General presenting a special souvenir to HE Mr. Yogesh Karan*

## Visit to Lao PDR

23 - 24 February 2015



The Secretary General's next visit was to Lao PDR. He had meetings with the Focal Point-Ministry of Foreign Affairs key officials and also with Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Ministry of Education and Youth and Ministry of Industry and Commerce. He also discussed matters of mutual interest with high officials of Lao Women and the Youth Union.

## Visit to Vietnam

27 ñ 28 February, 2015



The Secretary General visited Hanoi and had fruitful discussions with the delegation led by the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs HE Le Hoai Trung. During the meeting various sectors of potential collaboration were discussed such as:

- a. Poverty reduction
- b. Alternative development and alternative livelihood
- c. Environmental awareness program on climate change
- d. Drug free workplace program

The meeting also discussed about the possibility to attach one of the Vietnam Embassy Officers with the Colombo Plan.

The meeting was also followed by the Stakeholders Meeting. The deputy minister reiterated and reaffirmed Vietnam's continuous support and collaboration with the Colombo Plan.



## Vienna, Austria

9 - 13 March, 2015



*The Secretary General stressing an important point with the UAE delegation*

The Secretary General and the CP delegation representing the Colombo Plan identified two main objectives to be achieved by attending the 58th Session of CND as follows:

1. Conduct bilateral meetings with prospective member states for the Colombo Plan.

2. Conduct bilateral meetings with selected member states to discuss possibilities for funding programmes.

The delegation approached and successfully conducted meetings with 8 countries on topics which included membership in the Colombo Plan, training programmes offered by the Colombo Plan and opportunities for future collaboration with the Colombo Plan.

## Myanmar Drug Demand Reduction Stakeholder Meeting

# Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar

30 - 31 March 2015



*(Seated from left to right: Pol. Brig. Gen. Thein Oo – Deputy Chief of Police CCDAC, Dr. Igor Koutsenok – UNODC, H.E. Kinley Dorji – Secretary General of Colombo Plan, Mr. Brian Morales – INL, U.S. Department of State, Dr. Jorge Mario Luna – WHO Representative in Myanmar, Prof. Myint Han – Director General Ministry of Health)*

The meeting saw participation of organizations as well as Government agencies and civil society representatives. This Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement of Myanmar along with CCDAC represented the Government. The Myanmar Anti Narcotics Association (MANA), the Substance Abuse Research Association (SARA), World Concern

Myanmar, the Burnet Institute Myanmar and the National drug User Network of Myanmar represented civil society.

The main purpose of this meeting was to create an open dialogue on the challenges represented by drug use in Myanmar and work towards the goal of translating scientific research in this field into practice.

## Pakistan Drug Demand Reduction Stakeholder Meeting

# Bangkok, Thailand

2 - 3 April, 2015



*1st Row – Right to Left: Ms. Heshanthi Bandarage, Programme Assistant, CP DAP, Mr Qutbuddin Kakar, National Professional Officer, WHO Pakistan, Mr. Cesar Guedes, Country Representative, UNODC Pakistan, Dr Igor Koutsenok, Chief, Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Section, UNODC Vienna, Mr. Kinley Dorji, Secretary-General, CP, Mr. Muhammad Hafiz, Joint Secretary, Narcotics Control Division, Ministry of Interior and Narcotics Control, Mr. Nicolas Clark, Medical Officer, Management of Substance Abuse, WHO Geneva, Mr. Albert Matano, Deputy Director, INL/AP, Mr. Thomas Browne, Director, Criminal Justice Programs Division, INL, Mr. Antonius Riva Setiawan, Director, CP DAP, Brig. Muhammad Abuzar, Director, Anti Narcotics Force (ANF) Karachi Programs, INL, Mr Denzil Joseph Alexander, In-charge Rehab Center, House of Hope, Sanghar, Mr Aamir Wadood, Officer, INL Pakistan, Dr Manzoor ul Haq, DDR/ HIV Advisor, UNODC, Pakistan, Dr Noor-ul-Zaman Rafiq, Executive Coordinator, Phoenix Foundation, Lahore, Mr Lacy Wright, Officer, INL/AP, Mr Muzaffar All, Chairman, Milo Shaheed Trust, Quetta, Ms Christine Dillin, Country Director, Teen Challenge Pakistan, Islamabad, Mr Asif Bashir, Drug Awareness Coordinator, Teen Challenge Pakistan, Islamabad, Ms Jennifer Nilson, Officer, INL Pakistan, Mr Alberto Rodriguez, Director, INL Pakistan*

First meeting of the Pakistan's National Drug Demand Reduction (DDR) stakeholders was held at the Sukosol Hotel in Bangkok, Thailand on April 2-3, 2015.

The Secretary General acknowledged the presence of representatives from different DDR stakeholders Pakistan. He presented

a brief account of Colombo Plan work in Pakistan for infrastructure development few decades ago. Mr Dorji talked about the significance of this first ever national stakeholder meeting of Pakistan and turned it an opportunity to develop workable strategies based on meeting recommendations.

## Asian African Summit

# Jakarta, Indonesia

22 - 23 April, 2015



To commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the Asian-African Conference and 10th Anniversary of the New Asian-African Strategic Partnership (NAASP), the Government of the Republic of Indonesia hosted a series of high level events under the theme “Strengthening South-South Cooperation to Promote World Peace and Prosperity” in Jakarta and Bandung. Delegates from 92 Asian and African

countries, 15 observer countries, and 12 international organizations attended this important event. The Colombo Plan Secretary General received an official invitation from the President of Indonesia. He attended this meeting, accompanied by the Director of CPS DAP and CPS liaison officer from Embassy of Indonesia in Colombo.

# Visit to Bhutan

18 - 22 May 2015



*Mr. Kinley Dorji with His Excellency, Mr. Tshering Tobgay, the Honourable Prime Minister of Bhutan.*

Mr. Kinley Dorji, the Secretary-General of Colombo Plan, visited Bhutan from 18 – 22 May 2015. During his visit Mr. Kinley Dorji had the honour to meet His Excellency, Mr. Tshering Tobgay, the Honourable Prime Minister of Bhutan. As a Head of State, His Excellency commended Colombo Plan's efforts to further socio-economic development in member countries.

SG apprised His Excellency of the introduction of DDR programmes in Bhutan especially UPC and UTC and the possibility of introduction of Universal Prevention Curriculum in Paro College of Education and Universal Treatment Curriculum in the Faculty of Nursing and Public Health, Thimphu.

# Visit to Bhutan

18 - 22 May 2015



*Mr. Kinley Dorji with Aum Nima Ome, National Focal Point*

Mr. Kinley Dorji met with Aum Nima Ome, National Focal Point, to discuss matters of mutual interest. It included the nomination of Gender Focal Point and Bhutan's

attendance at the Council Meeting held quarterly in Colombo. SG also requested RoGB to attend the next Consultative Committee Meeting to be held in Fiji in 2016.

# Visit to Bhutan

18 - 22 May 2015



Mr. Kinley Dorji attended the launch of Colombo Plan's Universal Prevention Curriculum as part of Colombo Plan's drug demand reduction (DDR) programme in Bhutan, the main focus of his visit to Bhutan.

The Chief Guest for the launch was Aum Sangay Zam, Vice Chairperson of the Bhutan Board of Narcotics Control. In her opening remarks, she commended BNCA and Colombo Plan for the initiative and expressed her expectation that Bhutan will receive continued support from Colombo Plan.



Mr. Kinley Dorji met with the team of Faculty of Nursing and Public Health to discuss the possibility of institutionalising CP ICCE UTC.

# Visit to Bangladesh

25 - 27 May 2015



One of the main focuses of Mr. Kinley's visit to Bangladesh from 25 – 27 May 2015 was to observe the opening of the CP DAP 'Workshop cum Conclusion Meeting of the Outreach Drop-in Centre' and meet with the National Curriculum Translators of Bangladesh.



Mr. Kinley Dorji with Mr. Mohammed Abu Taher, Additional Secretary and Mr. Muhammad Alkama Siddiqui, Joint Secretary of the Planning Commission of Bangladesh, Colombo Plan National Focal Point. The Secretary-General requested the National Focal Point to attend the Colombo Plan Consultative Committee Meeting to be held in Fiji in 2016.

# Visit to Bangladesh

25 - 27 May 2015



Mr. Kinley Dorji with the Director General of the Department of Narcotic Control of Bangladesh, Colombo Plan Drug Focal Point.



Mr. Kinley Dorji, on an invitation from the Director and Staff Members, also visited the Dhaka Ashania Mission Female Treatment Centre and Juvenile Drop-in Centre.

# PPA&E, PPSD, LTSP

- Programme for Public Administration and Environment
- Programme for Private Sector Development
- Long-term Scholarship Programme

**2014/2015**



PPA Training Programme on  
Empowering Women,

**Bali, Indonesia**

22 - 29 September 2014



**Training Programme  
on Empowering  
Women through  
Social, Economic and  
Cultural Intervention,  
22-29 Sep 2014 in  
Bali, Indonesia.**

The Joint Collaboration of the Colombo Plan and the Ministry of State Secretariat of the Government of Indonesia, launched the Training Programme for the fifth consecutive year with the purpose of providing participants with an opportunity to update and upgrade relevant approaches and knowledge of women empowerment through Social Economic and Cultural Interventions. 16 senior officials from 11 Colombo Plan Member Countries attended the training at the National Population and Family Planning Board (BKKBN) of Indonesia.

## PPA Workshop on Sharing Experiences

# Jakarta, Indonesia

27 - 31 October 2014



## Workshop on Sharing Experiences and Best Practices on Good Governance and Public Administration between Colombo Plan Countries 27-31 October 2014 in Jakarta, Indonesia.

The workshop was hosted as a result of the pledge by the Government of Indonesia during the 43rd Consultative Committee Meeting of the Colombo Plan. Enhancing the contribution towards the South - South Cooperation, the three day workshop was conducted with the participation of 14 senior officials from Colombo Plan Member Countries. The course outlined the best practices and experiences of public administration, good governance, corruption eradication, bureaucracy reform and democracy.

## Noida, India

17 November ñ 05 December 2014



### **Training Programme on Small Business Planning and Promotion. 17 November – 05 December 2014, NIESBUD, in India.**

The Joint Collaboration of the Colombo Plan and the Ministry of State Secretariat of the Government of Indonesia, launched the Training Programme for the fifth consecutive year with the purpose of providing participants with an opportunity to update and upgrade relevant approaches and knowledge of women empowerment through Social Economic and Cultural Interventions. 16 senior officials from 11 Colombo Plan Member Countries attended the training at the National Population and Family Planning Board (BKKBN) of Indonesia.

## Hyderabad, India

24 November to 5 December 2014



### **Training course on Regional Perspective of Developing and Developed countries cooperation for SMEs competitiveness, Marketing and Partnership in India, 24<sup>th</sup> November - 5<sup>th</sup> December 2014 in Hyderabad, India.**

The Training Programme was executed from 24th November to 5th December 2014 at Yousufguda, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, India. It was launched with the aspiration of fostering business contact and regional level, reviewing existing legal frameworks from the point of view of encouraging foreign co-operations with domestic SMEs, developing skills for the development of international networking and developing cross-border partnership and business matching.

20 senior level officials from government and non-governmental organizations representing 09 Colombo Plan Developing Member Countries participated in the training course with the pronounced intention of uplifting the sustainable development in the field of marketing and partnerships.

## Noida, India

16 February - 13 March 2015



### **International Training Programme on Environmental Audit, 16<sup>th</sup> February – 13<sup>th</sup> March 2015 in Noida, India.**

The 124<sup>th</sup> International Training Programme on Environmental Audit was conducted from 16<sup>th</sup> February to 13<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at Noida India, with the participation of 6 senior level officials from Colombo Plan Developing Member Countries. The International Centre for Information Systems and Audit (ICISA) hosted the programme with the joint collaboration with Colombo Plan, India Millennium Fund, and the Ministry of External Affairs in India.

The Programme was focused on the modern influences on Environment Audit in SAI India and INTOSAI Initiative, conservation processes and structures in India, Green Governance: Challenges and Opportunities, Framework for sustainable development, Environmental Impact Assessments and many more inclinations in the current Environmental Auditing sectors.

## Training Course on Gene Based Techniques

# Izatnagar, India

25 February -18 March 2015



## Training Course on Gene Based Techniques for Research in Biotechnology 25<sup>th</sup> February - 18<sup>th</sup> March 2015, Indian Veterinary Research Institute in Izatnagar, India.

Colombo Plan Secretariat in collaboration with the India Millennium Fund and India Veterinary Research Institute launched the Training Programme for the seventh time from 25 February -18th March 2015 with the participation of 12 senior and middle level medical doctors. The training programme was based upon the good laboratory practices in gene expression, molecular disease diagnosis, DNA finger printing, Gene silencing through RNA, DNA vaccines, site directed mutagenesis, proteome analysis, gene delivery system, bioinformatics in genomic research, Micro-array in pathogen identification and new generation sequencing technique etc.

## Penang, Malaysia

11 May - 5 June 2015

### Training of Trainers Professional Programme for Secondary Science and Mathematics Education, 11<sup>th</sup> May - 5<sup>th</sup> June 2015 in Penang, Malaysia. - (Ongoing Programme)



*Mathematics Group*

The training Programme is currently in progress at the SEAMEO RECSAM – Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organisation- Regional Centre for Education in Science and Mathematics in Penang, Malaysia with the participation of 24 officials from 10 Colombo Plan Developing Member Countries.

The training was initiated with the objective of developing teachers capacity to improve teaching and learning of Science and Mathematics ; teachers and central office supervisory staff's capacity to design and develop teacher guides and lesson plans for improving teaching and learning of mathematics; teachers capacity to act as mentors and/ or leaders of other teachers on curriculum and subject matter issues and teachers capacity to work collaboratively with other teachers and to reflect on subject matter and student learning.



*Science Group*

June 2014 - June 2015

## Masters in Public Policy by KDI School in Korea 2015

The joint collaboration of KDI school in Korea and the Colombo Plan Secretariat started in 2006. Since then 32 students have graduated under this scholarship programme. For the academic year 2015 six students from Colombo Plan developing member countries have been selected. They are; Ms. Tashi Yangchen, Senior Councillor, Department of Employment in Bhutan, Mr. Idham Fahumy, Lecturer, The Maldives National University in Maldives,

Mr. Kabindra Nepal, Officer, Office of the Prime Minister and Council of Ministers in Nepal, Dr. M.C. Amarasinghe, District Director of Health Services, Matara in Sri Lanka, Mr. E.R.L.B. Etampawala, Director Department of Trade, Commerce and Tourism, Central Province in Sri Lanka and Mr. M.M. Rahaman, PS to Chairman, Anti-Corruption Commission, Segun Bagicha in Bangladesh.



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Employment in Bhutan



**Mr. Idham Fahumy**  
Lecturer, The Maldives National  
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PS to Chairman, Anti-Corruption  
Commission, Segun Bagicha in  
Bangladesh.

# DAP

Drug Advisory Programme

## 2014/2015



# DAP General programme

June 2014 - June 2015



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Colombo Plan Drug Focal Points Meeting and Expert Consultation on Drug Demand Reduction – Chiang Mai, Thailand

The Colombo Plan Drug Advisory Programme in collaboration with the Office of the Narcotics Control Board, Thailand conducted the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the drug focal points in Colombo Plan member states on 3-5 September 2014 in Chiang Mai, Thailand. A total of 84 participants took part in this meeting which included representatives of 17 member states and 3 non-member states, who participated as observers.



*Representatives of the Drug Focal Point in Thailand, the Office of the Narcotics Control Board*

Breakout sessions were conducted in 3 technical fields, namely; Drug Treatment and Rehabilitation, Drug Use Prevention and Supply Reduction and Narcotics Law Enforcement (Head of delegation forum). Through these sessions member states were able to define priority needs which can be used by the Drug Advisory Programme to plan future training initiatives.

# DAP General programme

June 2014 - June 2015



## Afghanistan Drug Treatment Stakeholder Meeting Chennai, India 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> December, 2014

The Afghanistan Drug Treatment Stakeholder Meeting is conducted by the Colombo Plan Drug Advisory Programme with the funding support of the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, U.S Department of State.

This meeting, which was conducted on 7-10 December, 2014 brought together various stakeholders in Afghanistan who work in the field of treating substance use disorders to present progress, discuss challenges and implement a unified approach to improving drug treatment services in Afghanistan.

The meeting had a total of 41 participants representing Government Ministries in Afghanistan, Non-Governmental Organizations in Afghanistan, UNODC, U.S Department of State and the Colombo Plan.



*Briefing for the participants during the field trip to a community based addiction treatment camp*

Chennai was selected as the destination for this meeting in order to provide the participants to receive exposure to new and unique forms of addiction treatment that are being successfully conducted in other parts of the world, such as the community based addiction treatment camp programme conducted by the T.T. Ranganathan Clinical Research Foundation in Chennai, India.

# DAP General programme

June 2014 - June 2015



## Participation in the 58<sup>th</sup> session of the Commission on Narcotics Drugs conducted - Vienna, Austria

A delegation from the Colombo Plan headed by Secretary General Kinley Dorji participated in the 58th Session of the Commission on Narcotics Drugs on 9-13 March, 2015 in Vienna, Austria.

The key highlights of this mission were the bilateral meetings conducted to enhance cooperation with current member states and to encourage prospective member states to consider being a member of the Colombo Plan.



*Meeting with Mr. Stephan Cato, Liaison Officer Europol of the Australian Federal Police and Mr. Dean Church of the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service*

Secretary General Dorji discussed in detail opportunities for collaboration for capacity building training programmes in the fields of Drug Demand and Drug Supply Reduction with representatives of Afghanistan, Australia, Iran and Malaysia. Meetings were also conducted with representatives of Kenya, South Africa, Tanzania and the United Arab Emirates to discuss membership in the Colombo Plan.



# DAP General programme

June 2014 - June 2015



*(Seated from left to right: Pol. Brig. Gen. Thein Oo – Deputy Chief of Police CCDAC, Dr. Igor Koutsenok – UNODC, H.E. Kinley Dorji – Secretary General of Colombo Plan, Mr. Brian Morales – INL, U.S. Department of State, Dr. Jorge Mario Luna – WHO Representative in Myanmar, Prof. Myint Han – Director General Ministry of Health)*

## Myanmar Drug Demand Reduction Stakeholder Meeting – NayPyiTaw, Myanmar 30<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2015

The first Myanmar Drug Demand Reduction Stakeholder meeting was conducted with the funding support of the Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, U.S Department of State and in collaboration with UNODC, WHO and the Central Committee of Drug Abuse Control, Myanmar.

A total of 35 participants representing government ministries, non-governmental organizations and international organizations attended this meeting which was conducted on 30 – 31 March, 2015.

# DAP General programme

June 2014 - June 2015



*Participants of the first Pakistan Drug Demand Reduction Stakeholder Meeting*

## **Pakistan Drug Demand Reduction Stakeholder Meeting - Bangkok, Thailand 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2015**

The first Pakistan Drug Demand Reduction Stakeholder Meeting was conducted on 2-3 April, 2015 in Bangkok, Thailand with the funding support of the Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, U.S Department of State and in collaboration with UNODC and WHO.

A total 37 Officials participated in the meeting which included representatives from the Ministry of Interior and Narcotics Control, the Anti Narcotics Force of Pakistan, Non-Governmental organizations based in Pakistan and International Organizations.

# Treatment Project

June 2014 - June 2015

## 1. First Expert/ Author Meeting

The experts and authors selected to develop the Child Substance Use Disorder Treatment Curricula met in Washington D.C from 27 - 29 August 2014. The nine experts and three authors along with the Editor of the Curricula met with Colombo Plan and INL to review the material and begin writing the six stand-alone courses for the Curricula.



*Experts and Authors working on developing the Child Substance Use Disorder Treatment Curricula*

## 2. Second Expert/ Author Meeting



*Child Substance Use Disorder Treatment Curricula experts and authors with INL and Colombo Plan*

The second Expert and Author meeting was held in Washington D.C from 22 – 24 October 2014. The meeting allowed for an opportunity to review the working drafts of

the Curricula and monitor the progress of curriculum development. The nine experts, four authors, the Curriculum editor, INL and Colombo Plan attended the meeting.

## Treatment Project

June 2014 - June 2015

### 3. Tailoring Visit to Delhi

A tailoring visit was conducted to Delhi to meet with Dr. Rajesh Kumar of SPYM in order to gain an understanding of the training needs of the staff at the treatment and outreach/drop in centres for children.

### 4. Selection of Training Participants

Ten treatment practitioners from India, Pakistan and Bangladesh along with the six Master Trainers were selected to participate in the Child Substance Use Disorder Treatment training.



*Training participants with the officials of the Bangladeshi Department of Narcotics Control and the Colombo Plan*

### 5. Training on Curriculum 1 and 2 of the Child Substance Use Disorder Treatment Curricula



*Trainees participating in the role-plays and exercises conducted during the training*

The Colombo Plan Drug Advisory Programme, with funding support from the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, U.S Department of State, conducted a training programme on Curriculum 1 – Interventions for Child Substance Use Disorder and Curriculum 2 – Treating Children with Substance Use Disorder: Special Considerations and Counseling with Children of the new Child Substance Use Disorder Treatment Curricula.

Twenty-eight treatment practitioners and four master trainers attended the training held in Dhaka, Bangladesh from 13 – 23 April 2015.

# Preventive Drug Education Program

June 2014 - June 2015

## 1. Training of Trainers for Teachers

Since the 63rd Anniversary of the Colombo Plan, the Preventive Drug Education Project has carried out 6 ToTs for the teachers covering a total population of 238 teachers including male and females. Further Preventive Drug Education was also conducted for 438 teachers in the Kandahar Food Zone with completing the 11 KFZ workshops for male and female teachers.



*KFZ PDE teachers of Kandahar from KFZ districts have completed taking five days of training in two parallel classes*

## 2. Life Skills Training for Youth

The PDE project has also carried out 4 Life skills trainings/PDE training for the youth covering both males and females with a total population of 151.



*Youth participants undergoing Life Skills/PDE training*

# Preventive Drug Education Program

June 2014 - June 2015



## 3. Exposure Training on PDE Implementation in Malaysia

Four Master trainers including PDE staff visited Malaysia for the ASCAD program and an exposure training on PDE implementation in Malaysia (October, 2014).

## 4. Global Youth Conference

Outstanding youth leaders from Afghanistan have participated in the Global Youth conference in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates in October 2014



*Group Photo with Afghan Fellows at global youth conference in Abu Dhabi UAE*

# Preventive Drug Education Program

June 2014 - June 2015

## 5. Training Programme for Master Trainers on Universal Prevention Curriculum.

An Advanced training programme for the Master Trainers carried out in Dubai with international trainers training 26 teachers on Universal Prevention Curriculum.



*Master Trainers participating in Universal Prevention Curriculum Training in Dubai*

## 6. Strategic Planning Plan Development

The team has also developed a 5 year strategic planning for the preventive drug education in schools and a monitoring and evaluation plan in November, 2014.



# Preventive Drug Education Program

June 2014 - June 2015



*TOYO members on award ceremony day with Afghan Government Officials at MoIC conference Hall*

## 7. Presentation of Grants for Youth-Led Initiatives

Ten Outstanding Youth Organizations (TOYO) were identified based on their merits and awarded short term grants of USD 1000 each for implementing youth led initiatives in Afghanistan in September, 2014.

## 8. Monitoring of the TOYO Projects

Monitoring of the TOYO were carried out by the PDE team together with the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Counter Narcotics in December 2014. The

TOYO youth groups implemented their drug prevention projects through various programmes like, run against drugs, public debates, awareness programmes, training etc. (December 2014)



# Preventive Drug Education Program

June 2014 - June 2015

## 9. Afghan Premier League (APL)

A national football competition with anti drug message was carried out successfully under this project, which promoted wide awareness among, especially the youths in Afghanistan



*Afghan Premier League Players delivering anti drug messages at Kabul Naderya high school*



*Ahmad Forogh Amdad the PDE master trainer monitored Logar schools and had in school support programme for both teachers and students.*

## 10. Monitoring of In-School Training Programmes

The PDE project has carried out the monitoring and in-school training programmes to 22 provinces and hundreds of Schools from January- May, 2015.

## 11. Orientation Workshop on Drug Prevention Strategies

The prevention team has also conducted a one-day orientation workshop on drug prevention strategies for the NDDCB staff in Colombo in April, 2015.



*PDE team conducting orientation workshop for the NDDCB in Colombo, Sri Lanka*

# Treatment Assistance Project – TAP

June 2014 - June 2015

## 1. Technical Assistance to Indonesia



*Treatment practitioners participating in the training programme designed for the Batam province, Indonesia.*

A visit to Indonesia was conducted from 29<sup>th</sup> September - 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014 in order to provide technical assistance to those working in the treatment of substance use disorders in the provincial states of Indonesia. The objective of the visit was to equip treatment practitioners with the knowledge, aptitude and professionalism (KAP) in their service delivery. A total of 27 participants which included doctors, counselors, psychologists and other allied health workers in the provincial state were provided with assistance on this visit.

## 2. National Training of the Universal Treatment Curricula for Afghanistan

The first Afghanistan National Training undertaken by CPDAP Afghanistan Field Office was held from November 8<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> 2014, with a total of 70 participants working in the field of Substance Use Disorders (SUD) treatment, participated. These treatment practitioners which comprised

of medical doctors, counselors and other allied health workers and working in various treatment settings (Inpatient, Residential and Outpatient Centers) represented CP funded implementing partners (IPs) and the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH)



*Participants of the first National training programme for Afghanistan conducted by the Colombo Plan field office*

# Treatment Assistance Project – TAP

June 2014 - June 2015

## 3. Training for Outreach/ Drop In Centres in Iraq on Community Outreach

With funding from the Bureau for International Narcotics Law Enforcement Affairs (INL), U.S Department of State, the Colombo Plan Drug Advisory Programme organized a training cum meeting for ODIC implementing partners for the city of Erbil and Baghdad, Iraq. The 5-days training conducted from November 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014, in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, provided a working foundations utilizing the universal treatment curricula on community outreach, physiology and pharmacology



*The Colombo Plan staff with their implementation partners in Iraq*

for addiction treatment providers. The training was successfully conducted with the participation of the four representatives from the two project-implementing partners in Iraq; Ms. Hasna Kendra, INL/US Embassy Baghdad; CP DAP Program Officer and two CP DAP Treatment Experts.

## 4. Community Outreach Training for West Kalimantan, Indonesia

The Colombo Plan Drug Advisory Programme answered the call from its member country, Indonesia to assist in the implementation of 5-days training on community outreach aimed to build the capacity of its drug treatment workforce in the provincial state of West Kalimantan, Indonesia. A total of 30 participants

representing the provincial mental health hospital, non-governmental organizations and CPDAP implementing partners attended the training, scheduled from March 30<sup>th</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2015. The training was well received and had significantly impacted participants through enhancing their knowledge, attitudes and professionalism.



# Treatment Assistance Project – TAP

June 2014 - June 2015

## 6. Technical Assistance Visit to the Republic of Maldives



*Treatment Expert, Mr. Ibrahim Salim meeting with the Board of the National Drug Agency, Malé, Maldives.*

Colombo Plan Drug Advisory Programme Treatment Expert visited the National Drug Agency, Republic of Maldives, to conduct a 3-day consultative visit from 8 - 11 March 2015. During his visit, Mr Ibrahim Salim had meetings with Mr. Ahmed Muneer, the Chief Executive Officer and Mr. Abdul Samad Abdul Rahman, the Deputy Director-General of the Support Services Division of the National Drug Agency (NDA) to discuss the objectives of his missions and other drug demand reduction issues. He also had the privilege to accept the invitation from Mr. Hassan Zilaal, the Deputy Commissioner of Prisons, to discuss further collaboration with Colombo Plan in capacity-building of their prison workforce.

## 7. Monitoring of Treatment Centres in Afghanistan

The Colombo Plan Kabul Field Office has successfully implemented series of individual and joint monitoring missions to more than 60 treatment centres across Afghanistan over the past year.



*Daily programme session of a treatment centre in Afghanistan.*

## 8. Community Outreach Training for Outreach/Drop-in Centres in Bangladesh

Community Outreach Training were conducted for ODICs in Dhaka, Bangladesh from 25 – 29 May 2015 to coincide with the closing meeting held with the Colombo Plan ODIC. The training was attended by 26 participants from all the ODICs in Bangladesh.



*Daily programme session of a treatment centre in Afghanistan.*



# ICCE

**International Centre for Credentialing and  
Education of Addiction Professionals**

## **2014/2015**



The International Centre for Credentialing and Education of Addiction Professionals (ICCE) was established on 16 February 2009 as the training and credentialing arm of the Colombo Plan Drug Advisory Programme. Originally named the Asian Centre for the Certification and Education of Addiction Professionals (ACCE), it is a part of the global initiative funded by the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL), US Department of State with a special collaboration with the National Association of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counsellors (NAADAC), USA that aims to train, certify and professionalise the addiction treatment workforce in the region.

Since its inception in 2009, ICCE has trained a cadre of global Master Trainers in Prevention and Treatment, as well as credentialed 323 addiction treatment professionals. The expansion of UTC training initiatives beyond Colombo Plan member states to include Central Asia, Africa, Middle East, the Caribbean and Latin America led to a change in its name to the International Centre for Credentialing and Education of Addiction Professionals (ICCE) that truly reflects its capacity in training and professionalising the drug demand workforce capacity globally.

# Colombo Plan ICCE

June 2014 - June 2015

## ICCE Vision

ICCE envisions to be the leading global credentialing organisation of drug demand reduction professionals who enhance the health, and well-being of individuals, families and communities to whom they provide services.

## ICCE Mission

ICCE's mission is to train, professionalise and expand the drug demand reduction workforce in the region and beyond.

## ICCE Goals

- To create a cadre of drug demand reduction professionals through the enhancement of their knowledge, skills and competence, thereby enabling them to provide quality services for their beneficiaries;
- To provide a global standard that encourages drug demand reduction professionals to continue learning for the purpose of providing quality services to their beneficiaries;
- To focus on the development of the individual professional and provide a formal indicator of his/her current knowledge and competence; and
- To promote professional and ethical practice by enforcing adherence to a Code of Ethics.

## ICCE Functions

- Curriculum Development on the UPC Series 1 and 2, UTC Basic Level, Intermediate Level and Clinical Level, GROW, and Developing Community-based Recovery Support Services
- Training on UPC, UTC, GROW and Community-based Recovery Support Services (Recovery Coach)
- Credentialing for the International Certified Prevention Specialist (ICPS I, and ICPS II), Recovery Coach (RC), International Certified Prevention Specialist (ICAP I, ICAP II, and ICAP III), and Clinical Supervision for Substance Use Disorder Professionals.



# ICCE Commission

June 2014 - June 2015



As the policy-making body that oversees and ensures the highest quality and standard of the ICCE credentialing training initiatives, the ICCE Commission convened two more meetings during the reporting period:

4<sup>th</sup> ICCE Commission Meeting was held from 2 - 3 February 2015 in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. During the meeting, further revisions were made to the ICCE Commission Policies and Procedures, such as: a change of name of ICCE Examination credentials ICAC to ICAP, a change to the eligibility criteria for Recovery Coach for Japan and a change of name of the

International Centre for Certification and Education of Addiction Professionals to the International Centre for Credentialing and Education of Addiction Professionals. In addition, two inclusions were made for the terms and conditions relating to the appointment of ICCE Education Providers as well as for additional criteria for applicants with SUDs

# Curriculum Development

June 2014 - June 2015

## UPC Series 2



An Expert Group Planning Meeting was held at the INL-C Office, Washington, DC on 13-14 August 2014 to develop a work plan for the UPC Series 2 – a more hands-on and skills-oriented curriculum consisting of seven prevention tracks in various settings such as family, school, workplace, media, environment, community and monitoring and evaluation.

To date, two meetings related to the UPC-2 Project have been convened. The first meeting attended by APS staff, Mr. Tay Bian How, Director ICCE, Mr. Brian Morales from INL, and Ms. Erin Anderson Moreno from CICAD focused principally on the training of Master Trainers from Latin America scheduled on 27 April- 7 May 2015 in Miami. In addition, Mr. Lee and Ms. Luna also presented their dissemination plans in Europe and Latin America respectively and received permission to move ahead with their plans.

The second meeting that took place on 5 – 6 March 2015 provided opportunities for the UPC-2 Curriculum Coordinators and their senior team member to share their respective curriculum outline drafts and make decisions regarding format and content of the curricula. Currently, the UPC-2 groups are revising their outlines.

## UTC Intermediate Level



The 2nd Expert Advisory Group (EAG) Meeting on the development of the UTC Intermediate Level convened in Hiroshima, Japan on 1-3 October 2014. This meeting, led by Mr Thom Browne, INL Deputy Director and Mr Brian Morales, INL Foreign Affairs Officer was attended by representatives of Colombo Plan, United Nations Office on

Drugs and Crime, Organisation of American States and international experts from the United States, Malaysia and India. The EAG discussed the UTC Intermediate Level curriculum development to ensure that it will incorporate the content of the TreatNet and PROCCER curricula.



# Curriculum Development

June 2014-June 2015

## Universal Prevention Curriculum for Substance Use Series 1 (UPC-1)



The International Centre for Credentialing and Education of Addiction Professionals (ICCE) successfully pilot-tested UPC-1 consisting of eight curricula from July 2014 – December 2014. Currently, Applied Prevention Science, Inc. is revising UPC-1 based on feedback provided by the 17 Global Master Trainers,

and has also developed a separate curriculum, Curriculum 2 – Physiology and Pharmacology for Prevention Specialists, thus making this training series a total of nine curricula. In addition, the curriculum developers from APS have started work on developing UPC Series 2 comprising seven tracks.

## Universal Treatment Curriculum for Substance Use Disorders (UTC)



On January 2015, ICCE began updating and revising the UTC Basic Level based on feedback provided by members of the Expert Advisory Group (EAG). Beside this, the EAG has also approved the ten titles and content of the UTC Intermediate Level Series. SME Consulting, LLP, the curriculum developer for UTC is

currently working on the development of the nine curricula, while Dr. V. Thirumagal of TT Ranganathan Clinical and Research Foundation has been commissioned to write the curriculum on Working with Families. Three curricula of the UTC Intermediate Level have since been completed and are now ready for pilot-testing.

## GROW Curriculum



Guiding Recovery of Women (GROW) is a specialised curriculum, which provides responsive and evidence-based treatment interventions for substance-abusing women and their families. The ten GROW curricula are designed to train substance abuse treatment professionals on gender-responsive methods and modalities. The curriculum was revised in 2014 and is available for use in trainings globally.

## Developing Community-based Recovery Support Services Curriculum



The Developing Community-based Recovery Support Services curriculum was developed by the Chicago-based Centre for Health and Justice (CHJ) of Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities (TASC) for the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL) through funding from U.S. Department of State to ICCE. This curriculum provides knowledge and skills on peer-based and community-based recovery support services and prepares service providers for ICCE Credentialing as Recovery Coaches.

# ICCE Training

June 2014-June 2015

## Dissemination of UTC Basic Level in Guatemala and Mexico



On 13-15 August 2014, Mr. Tay Bian How, Director ICCE and Mr. William McGlynn, Senior Adviser of the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL) conducted a tailoring visit to Guatemala to discuss ICCE training and credentialing initiatives for addiction treatment practitioners with governmental agencies and university officials. Following this tailoring visit, the first national training

on UTC Basic Level Curriculum 1 and 2 was conducted on 20 - 30 April 2015 with 31 participants, that is, 21 from Guatemala and 10 from Mexico. Ms. Sarah Sewall, Undersecretary for Civilian Society, Democracy and Human Rights, US Department of State officiated the Closing Ceremony and awarded the Certificates of Completion to the participants.



# ICCE Training

June 2014-June 2015

## ICCE Trains on the UTC Basic Level in The Bahamas



On 16-19 August 2014, Mr. Tay Bian How, Director ICCE, Ms. Sadie Thimsen, Demand Reduction Officer of INL, US Department of State, Ms. Kristin Gilmore and Ms. Katina Russel of INL, US Embassy-Nassau conducted a tailoring visit to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

Subsequent to this tailoring visit, ICCE in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre conducted the first Training of Trainers (TOT) on the UTC Curriculum 1 and 2 for 22 addiction professionals on 27 October 2014. To date, three cycles of TOTs have been implemented in The Bahamas.

## First Cadre of Master Trainers on UPC - 1 and UTC Basic Level for the Western Hemisphere



On 27 April - 7 May 2015, ICCE, in collaboration with CICAD-OAS conducted the first training cycle of the Training of Master Trainers for the Western Hemisphere in Miami, Florida. The training on the first two curricula of the UPC - 1 and UTC Basic Level aimed to train a cadre of master trainers for the Western Hemisphere who will implement the UPC and UTC national level training in the region upon completion

of the entire training series leading to credentialing. A total of 18 participants underwent the UPC training while 16 participants attended the UTC training. During the training, INL, CICAD-OAS and ICCE made a presentation which allowed the participants to capture the essence of the training and credentialing programme, as well as understand its purpose and direction of implementation.

# ICCE Training

June 2014-June 2015

## UTC Training in Liberia



Further to the first training cycle of UTC Basic Level curriculum 1 and 2 on 18-27 November 2013 and the second training cycle on UTC 3 and 4 on 19-30 May 2014, ICCE conducted the third training cycle on UTC 6, 7 and 8 for Liberian addiction treatment practitioners on 27 April - 7 May 2015 in Monrovia. This TOT aimed to provide the twelve national trainers with theoretical and practical understanding of case management, crisis intervention and ethics in the field of addiction treatment.

A highlight of the programme was a visit by Mr. Tony Fernandes, Director, Office of Africa and Middle East – US Department of State, Ms. Jennifer Doumitt, INL, Office of Africa and Middle East – US Department of State, and Ms. Sally A Schlegel, INL Programme Director - US Embassy in Monrovia. These representatives of the US State Department observed the progress of the training series and were delighted with the participants' enthusiasm with the training and the trainers' positive attitude towards the training programme.



## UTC Training in Ghana

ICCE, in collaboration with the Narcotics Control Board (NACOB), Ministry of Interior, Ghana organised the first National Training of Trainers for 14 treatment practitioners on UTC Curriculum 1 and 2 in Accra, Ghana from 2 - 12 November 2014. The participants comprised staff from NACOB, Ministry of Health, Ghana Education Services, and NGOs.

The Certificate of Completion ceremony was officiated by Mr. Mark Ewuntomah, Deputy Executive Secretary for Services and Control of NACOB, Ministry of Interior who emphasised the significance of having effective drug demand reduction strategies and services as part of the National Drug Strategy.



# ICCE Training

June 2014-June 2015

## UTC Training in Central Asia



Under the TreatNet II Project, ICCE, in collaboration with the Regional Office for Central Asia of United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC-ROCA) has been implementing training initiatives on the UTC in Central Asia since 2012.

To date, a total of 63 addiction professionals from the five Central Asian countries have been trained on UTC curricula 1 and 2. The second cycle of TOT on UTC on UTC 6, 7 and 8 for 25 addiction professionals from Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan was implemented in Tashkent, Uzbekistan from 11-19 May 2015.



## ICCE Partners with NRC for UTC Training in Abu Dhabi, UAE

In May 2013, ICCE embarked on the first phase of a project to professionalise the staff of the National Rehabilitation Center (NRC), Abu Dhabi who come from varied educational backgrounds such as nurses, policy and advocacy analysts, health educators and trainers of public health specialists. Since then, three training cycles have been implemented. In continuing

the implementation of this project, ICCE conducted the fourth training cycle of the Training of Trainers on the UTC Basic Level Curriculum 4 at Park Rotana Hotel, Abu Dhabi for 17 addiction treatment professionals of NRC on 7 - 11 September 2014. This was followed by a fifth training cycle on UTC Curriculum 6, and 7 on 18-22 January 2015 and the sixth cycle on UTC Basic Level curriculum 8 was conducted on 8 - 11 June 2015.



# ICCE Training

June 2014-June 2015

## ICCE Training on Recovery Coaches South Africa



On 17 -21 November 2014, ICCE in collaboration with Lighthouse Community Centre, an NGO in South Africa, trained 36 Recovery Coaches (RC) of whom 30

were from various treatment facilities in Cape Town while six were from Germany, Switzerland and Zimbabwe. This RC training is the third cost-sharing initiative organised by ICCE.

## ICCE Training on Recovery Coaches Japan



On 28 September 2014, ICCE, in collaboration with Oneness Group, an NGO in Japan organised the Osaka Forum on Substance Use Disorders at the Osaka Convention Centre, Japan. At the forum that was attended by more than 150 service providers, a one hour training was conducted to provide the participants with the essence of the curriculum for Recovery Coaches.

Subsequent to this forum, a five-day training on “Developing Community-Based Recovery Support System” was held in Nara, Japan in collaboration with Oneness Group on March 23 - 27, 2015 for 30 Recovery Coaches.



# ICCE Training

June 2014-June 2015

## ICCE Cost-sharing Initiatives



Colombo Plan in partnership with the Asian Cities Against Drugs (ASCAD) and Melaka Historical City Council in Melaka, Malaysia convened the 7th ASCAD international conference and workshop, “Professionalising Drug Demand Reduction Services– From Research to Practice” on September 22-26, 2014. A total of 247 participants from 24 countries attended this event that aimed to highlight the importance of evidence-based practices, capacity-building, training of prevention and treatment specialists and their

professional credentialing beside providing an opportunity for sharing experiences and best practices in the region. In addition to plenaries and six concurrent skills-based workshops on different curricula of the UPC - 1 and Basic Level UTC, a highlight of this workshop was the International Recovery Symposium - 2014 funded by Solace Sabah that featured several events such as Recovery Countdown Dinner, Recovery Run through the historical and heritage sights of Melaka, Recovery Forum, and Recovery Workshop.



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ICCE in collaboration with the Indonesia Joint Committee consisting of National Narcotics Board (BNN), Kasih Mulia Foundation, Indonesian Association of Addiction Counselors (IKAI), National AIDS Commission (KPAN), organised the International Workshop on Drug Demand Reduction Professionals on 20 – 25 April 2015 at Santika Premiere Hotel, Jakarta, Indonesia.

Consistent with the theme of the 7th ASCAD Conference, the theme of this International Workshop was “Professionalizing the Drug Demand Reduction Workforce – From Research to Practice”

The International Tracks offered were the following:

- Track 1 -** UPC 1: Introduction to Prevention Science
- Track 2-** UTC 4: Basic Counseling skills for Addiction Professionals
- Track 3-** UTC 8: Ethics for Addiction Professionals
- Track 4-** Recovery Coach

The Tracks offered in Bahasa, Indonesia were as follows:

- UTC 1 -** Physiology and Pharmacology for Addiction Professionals
- UTC 2-** Treatment for Substance Use Disorders ñ The Continuum of Care for Addiction Professionals
- UTC 4 -** Basic Counselling Skills for Addiction Professionals
- UTC 7 -** Crisis Intervention for Addiction Professionals



# ICCE Training Initiatives in Asia

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## Maldives and Sri Lanka

ICCE conducted the Training of National Trainers for Maldives and Sri Lanka in Colombo, Sri Lanka from 25 November – 1 December 2014. A group of 19 national trainers attended the six-day training that focused on UTC Basic Level Curriculum 4A.



## Malaysia

On 25 November – 3 December 2014, ICCE conducted the third training cycle on UTC Basic Level curriculum 4, 6 and 7 for 8 national trainers from Malaysia in Colombo, Sri Lanka. These trainers were joined by 12 global trainers from Philippines, Botswana, Kenya, Mozambique, India, Ethiopia and Tanzania. This combination of global master trainers and national trainers provided an opportunity for both groups to



share knowledge and experience as well as promote mentorship of the global trainers. The closing ceremony was graced by Mr Kinley Dorji, Secretary- General of Colombo Plan.

## Bangladesh and Bhutan

ICCE conducted a TOT on UTC Basic Level curriculum 6, 7 and 8 for 19 addiction professionals from Bangladesh and Bhutan on 2-11 December 2014 in Dhaka, Bangladesh. This initiative was supported by the Department of Narcotics Control, Bangladesh, Bhutan Narcotics Control Agency and Dhaka Ahasania Mission.



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## ICCE Completes Training of Trainers and Pilot-testing of UPC-1



Subsequent to the first TOT and pilot-testing of UPC-1 Curriculum 1 in the Philippines from 7-11 April 2014, ICCE conducted three more TOTs and pilot-testing of six more curricula in the training series: Curriculum 3 and 4 at the Table Bay Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa on 7-18 July 2014, Curriculum 5a, 5b and 7 at the Grand Millennium Hotel, Kuala Lumpur on 8-18 September 2014, and Curriculum 2 and 6 at the Intercontinental

Hotel, Singapore on 3-13 November 2014. A total of 15 Global Master Trainers from Bhutan, Kenya, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, South Africa and Uganda as well as two ICCE staff successfully completed the entire UPC-1. The overall goal of this training series is to train substance use prevention professionals on evidence-based interventions and policies and on implementation quality and sustainability.



# ICCE Credentialing

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## ICPS Credentialing Examination for Prevention Professionals



The 1st Expert Working Group Meeting on the development of the ICPS examination questions convened on 4-5 February 2015 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. The two-day meeting that was moderated by Mr Tay Bian How, Director ICCE and assisted by Dr Josephine Choong, Curriculum Development Coordinator (Prevention) aimed to develop the domains and sub-domains for the ICPS I and ICPS II examination as well as the weighting for each examination. Upon accomplishment of the domains and sub-domains and

their respective weightings, the experts prepared a Table of Specification for the respective curricula assigned to them. Four UPC Master Trainers who served as panel members were: Ms Naina Kala Gurung (Bhutan), Ms Susan Atieno Maua (Kenya), Ms Francis Grace Duka-Pante (Philippines), Dr Maria Corazon Dumlao (Philippines) and Dr Rehana Kader (South Africa). The 2nd EWG Meeting to review and refine the items is scheduled from 4-6 June 2015 in Colombo, Sri Lanka

# ICCE Credentialing

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## ICCE Credentialing Examinations



For the reporting period July 2014 – June 2015, the International Centre for Credentialing and Education of Addiction Professionals (ICCE) in collaboration with Professional Testing Corporation (PTC) in New York, USA conducted another four ICCE examinations in the following countries:

**Colombo, Sri Lanka (2 December 2014).** A total of 23 candidates wrote the ICCE examination online at ICBT Campus, Mount Lavinia where 22 candidates sat for ICAP I credential (8 Maldivians, 12 Sri Lankans, 1 Pakistani and 1 Filipino) while 1 candidate from Indonesia took ICAP II credential examination.

**Chennai, India (7 April 2015).** A total of 26 Afghan national trainers and two ICCE trainers sat for ICAP I credential online at Blue Lotus Technologies in Chennai, India on 7 April 2015. The examination was conducted in English, Dari and Pashto.

**Kenya (10 April 2015).** This online examination was conducted in five centres in Kenya namely; Kisumu, Nyeri, Eldoret, Mombasa and Nairobi. A total of 100 candidates took ICAP I, ICAP II and ICAP III credential.

**Jakarta, Indonesia (25 April 2015).** A total of 111 candidates wrote ICAP I credential in English and Bahasa Indonesia and ICAP II credential in English.



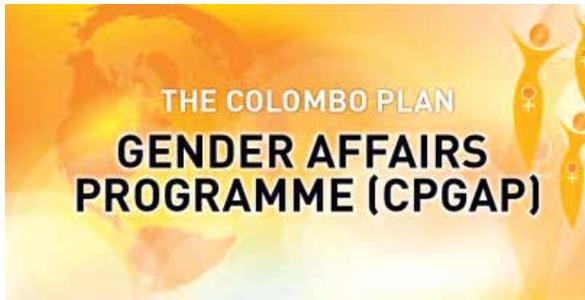


# GAP

Gender Affairs Programme

## 2014/2015

June 2014 - June 2015



**Dr. Sheeba Harma,**  
**Director-GAP**

## 1. Background

The Colombo Plan Gender Affairs Programme was established during the 282nd Council meeting held on 7 May 2014 in Colombo. The importance of establishing a separate programme for women and children was also recommended during the 43rd Consultative Committee Meeting in Manado, Indonesia, 2012.

The Colombo Plan has been working on gender issues and development since 2007 under Colombo Plan Drug Advisory Programme by facilitating transit shelter for women in Afghanistan. In 2011 the Afghanistan Women shelter fund was established funding women run NGOs providing shelter services and access to justice for Afghan women. In May 2014 the Afghanistan Women shelter fund was expanded to 11 provinces and the initiative was taken under the Gender Affairs Programme of the Colombo Plan.

The Gender Affairs Programme in Afghanistan works on women's access to justice and child protection issues through the Ministry of Women Affairs, Afghan Shelter Network, Child Protection Network, EAW Commissions and national and international NGOs.

Though Afghanistan ratified the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) in 1994, passing necessary laws to create a legislative framework for implementation have been slow, especially to improve the living condition of children who live with their mothers in prison. To provide children with safe shelter, adequate food and clean water, giving them enough space to live and access to education and counselling, an Afghanistan Children Support Center Fund (ACSCF) was established. In May 2014, the Afghanistan Children Support Center Fund (ACSCF) was set up under the Gender Affairs Programme of the Colombo Plan with funding from US Government Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL)

During the period June 2014-May 2015, the Gender Affairs Programme welcomed its first Project Director. Dr. Sheeba Harma, an Indian National and the first woman Project Director for Colombo Plan joined on 15 September 2014. She has over 15 years of international development experience in Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, UK and programming work in South Asian and African countries. She is a Gender and Social Development Expert with experience leading large scale country programmes. Since January 2015 she has also taken the role of Head of Mission for Colombo Plan Afghanistan Diplomatic Office in Kabul.

# GAP Highlights

June 2014 - June 2015

Apart from the initiative in Afghanistan, the Gender Affairs Programme is focusing to achieve the following objectives;

- To increase the awareness on gender equality, gender development, women's legal rights and gender issues among the developing member countries through workshops and trainings.
- To raise funds on gender capacity building and direct empowerment such as income generating, education and health programmes.
- To conduct research on gender and child issues and developments
- To share the knowledge and experiences on gender and children among the member countries
- To represent the Colombo Plan in international forums on gender and children and discussions to upgrade the knowledge and to share our experiences.
- To assist member countries to formulate their policies according to the global gender standards and norms
- To support the member countries through the governments and non-governmental agencies to implement the global/UN standards in gender and children related activities.

## 2. Key Achievements under Afghan Women Shelter Fund (AWSF)

The Afghan Women Shelter Fund (AWSF) works to increase access to justice for Afghan women and girls who have survived, or are at risk of experiencing, gender-based violence. These shelter facilities provide safe refuge, legal and mediation assistance, medical assistance, psychosocial support,

counseling, and skills training support to survivors of gender-based violence. In addition, the organizations work to promote awareness on women's rights, particularly as it relates to the elimination of violence against women.



*Women Protection Center coordination meetings and group discussions with Beneficiaries*

# GAP Highlights

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The Gender Affairs Programme currently supports 14 Women Protection Centers and Family Guidance Centers in country, in addition to a new center providing safe access for vulnerable boys who are victims of trafficking and violence.

During the period June 2014-May 2015, the Afghan Women Shelter Fund supported over 1540 new cases where women in Afghanistan required access to safe shelters. Overall since the start of the programme, legal assistance was provided to over 3725 beneficiaries while the formal justice sector that is still under developed in country resolved over 445 cases and through mediation and counselling more than 540 women were reintegrated with their families. The programme has also empowered women victims of violence by providing vocational trainings and literacy courses to over 1150 beneficiaries. Awareness and outreach programmes on women's

rights sensitizing communities on social development and women have reached out to over 13,500 people. The Gender Affairs Programme undertakes regular stakeholder coordination, monitoring and review of the project's implementation.

Due to an increasing need for such programmes across the country, the Gender Affairs Programme with the US Government Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL) is expanding the AWSF scope to parts of Afghanistan where such services are currently not available for the community.

The Gender Affairs Programme is also building the organizational capacity of the implementing agencies for their sustainability and impact, whereby a 3 month organizational and shelter evaluation is currently in process across 12 provinces in Afghanistan.



*Activities at the Women Protection Centers*



## 3. Key Achievements under Afghanistan Children Support Center Fund (ACSCF)



*NGO representatives and the Colombo Plan representatives during the CSC stakeholder meeting in May 2015*

In Afghanistan, most children affected by the conflict have limited access to education, adequate food, clean water and protection. In particular, children who live with their mothers in prison do not have access to many fundamental rights. According to the law in Afghanistan children up to age of seven years are allowed to live with their parents in the prisons. However, prison conditions are not conducive to raising children and to address the gap caused by the lack of government action, Children Support Centers (CSCs) were set up to provide alternative care for this vulnerable population.

To support these center providers to ensure children safe shelters, adequate food and clean

water and most importantly free education, the Colombo Plan with the support of the US Government Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL) established the Afghanistan Children Support Center Fund (ACSCF), under the Gender Affairs Programme in May 2014.

Across the ACSCF supported CSCs in Kabul, Kunduz and Balkh, serving as regional centers, over 250 children from over 12 provinces are provided with a safe home where their needs are met and their health and wellness nurtured including counseling and education assistance. During the period June 2014-May 2015, the Afghanistan Children Support Center Fund more than 220 children attended public school, Most children arrive at the centers with trauma and distress and over 1500 individual and group counselling sessions were delivered this year. Reintegration with families and mothers following prison release is the most challenging factor for the centers where



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most children are abandoned or usually not taken by families, however in this year over 60 children were successfully re-integrated.

The Gender Affairs Programme is a member of the Afghanistan Child Protection Action Network (CPAN) and with members that make UNICEF, International Agencies, Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission and Ministries, child protection

and rights policy and procedures are strongly advocated for.

The Gender Affairs Programme also completed a two month evaluation of the Children Support Centers in Kabul, Herat, Balkh and Kunduz, following which a 3 day workshop was held in Kabul on May 3, 4 and 5 2015 to develop Standard Operating Procedures for the CSCs. In total 22 people participated in the sessions.

## The CSC Assessment covered:

Governance/Leadership: (Assessing capacity of the leadership and management to provide direction) Administration (Assessing administrative systems, staff knowledge and application of their systems) Human Resource Management (Assessing skilled work force, operations and staff recruitment) Financial Management (Assessing financial systems, policies, procedures and ability to implement) Organizational Management (Assessing work planning, security, communication and management)



## 4. CPGAP Focal Points in Member Countries

Following the Council approved new Gender Affairs Programme, 20 Member countries have officially confirmed Technical and Policy Focal Points for CPGAP. Those member countries are Afghanistan, Australia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Iran, Japan, South Korea, Lao PDR, Maldives, Myanmar, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand and United States.

The Colombo Plan Gender Affairs Programme is scheduling initial discussions with Sri Lanka Focal Point regarding co-hosting the First GAP Focal Point Meeting (scheduled for November 2015).

The Colombo Plan Gender Affairs Programme has set up initial plans with Indonesia GAP Focal Point for potentially providing two Training Programmes in 2015.

1. Training on Family Planning and Reproductive Health- open to all member countries
2. Exposure visit for Afghan Stakeholders to learn from Indonesia on Women's Shelters and Child Protection







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