



DTP MIGRANT WORKERS' RIGHTS e-BULLETIN

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UPCOMING DTP/MFA PROGRAMS

PROGRAM DETAILS	DATE & LOCATION
Capacity Building Program on Human Rights Advocacy and Migrant Workers in the Middle East and Asia <i>(Applications opening soon)</i>	16 – 20 Oct 2016 / Doha
Regional Workshop on Ethical Business and Recruitment Practices for Migration <i>(Applications opening soon)</i>	20 – 22 November, 2016 / Dubai

REPORTS ON DTP/MFA CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMS

Bangladesh:

Module 4: 22-25 August 2016 – Summary – ‘Bangladesh Capacity Building for Advocacy for Migrant Workers and Safe Migration’ [Read](#)

Module 3: 3-6 May 2016 – Report – ‘Bangladesh Capacity Building for Advocacy for Migrant Workers and Safe Migration’ [Read](#)

UPDATES FROM DTP ALUMNI - *DTP alumni and their organizations take on initiatives and activities for the protection and promotion of the rights of migrant workers. In each issue we will share updates from our alumni and their organizations on their work.*

SRI LANKA

Dilshan Weerasinghe - *We worked with CSOs who have taken a position to protect the rights of Sri Lankan migrant workers and their families in the preparation of the [shadow report](#).*

Ranjan Kurian, Project Manager, HELVETAS - *I am sharing the [shadow report](#) with immense pleasure. CSO organizations together were able to complete a follow-up activity planned during the DTP workshop.... Colombo Process (CP) - CSO was given opportunity to deliver [CSO statement](#) during the closing ceremony of the 5th Ministerial Meeting of CP*

BANGLADESH

Pervez Siddiqui, Manager - Advocacy, Media and Communication, BRAC - *My film ‘[the Door](#)’ is going to be screening at the launching ceremony of the Labour Attaché conference organised by the Government of Bangladesh. The film focuses on the role of the labour attaché for protecting the migrants at destinations.*

DTP ALUMNI - ADVOCATES WORKING FOR MIGRANT WORKERS' RIGHTS - *Since 2004, DTP and MFA have provided training for hundreds of advocates working to promote and protect the rights of migrant workers. They are working each day across Asia and the Middle-East. In each issue we will include profiles of these individuals whose work is so important.*

Noha Roukoss, Lebanon - Trainer, Caritas Lebanon Migrant Center [Read](#)

Jasiya Khatoon, Bangladesh – Director, WARBE DF [Read](#)

Nayela Akter, Bangladesh - Programme Officer, HELVETAS [Read](#)

DTP ALUMNI ORGANIZATIONS WORKING FOR MIGRANT WORKERS' RIGHTS - DTP/MFA provides training for advocates from the many organisations working to promote and protect the rights of migrant workers in countries of origin and destination. Their work is vital to efforts to bring change and in each issue we will provide profiles of and links to these organisations.

India

The Centre for Indian Migrant Studies (CIMS) [Read](#)

Lebanon

Caritas Migrant Centre Lebanon [Read](#)

OF INTEREST...

Recruitment Costs Brief: [Qatar](#), [Macau](#), [Hong Kong](#), [Taiwan](#)

MIGRANTS RIGHTS AND RELATED NEWS

Members of Colombo Process agree to establish credible labour market information system [Read](#)

Domestic helpers on display spark controversy in Saudi Arabia [Read](#)

Saudi Arabia: abandoned migrant workers refuse free flight home [Read](#)

Saudi Arabia's abandoned migrant workers [Read](#)

Deceived migrant workers in UAE forced to work as slaves [Read](#)

Morocco: New Law Advances Domestic Workers' Rights [Read](#)

CALLS FOR ACTION

[STAND FIRM Campaign](#) – Zero Recruitment Fees for Migrant Workers & Employer Pays Model

[Walk Free](#) - Call on the Thai authorities to drop charges against Andy Hall

MIGRANT WORKERS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS

ORGANIZATION	EVENTS AND DATES
Human Rights Council	33rd Session (13 – 30 September 2016) - Reports 32nd Session (13 June to 1 July 2016) - Resolution (A/HRC/C/L.22) : Protection of the human rights of migrants: strengthening the promotion and protection of the human rights of migrants, including in large movements
Universal Periodic Review	26th Session (Oct – Nov 2016) - Timor Leste 27th session (Apr – May 2017) - Indonesia, India, Philippines, Bahrain Submission Guideline How to get involved? Practical guide for CSO DTP Short Guide on UPR prepared for DTP program participants
Human Rights Treaty Bodies	CMW 25th session (29 Aug - 7 Sep 2016) <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Sri Lanka: Committee will review State Party's Report▪ Info from CSO – Global Migration Policy Associates Action Network for Migrant Workers Women and Media Collective▪ Information Note for CSOs and NHRIs for the 25th Session CEDAW 64th session (4 July – 22 July 2016) - Philippines: Concluding observations include recommendations in regards to women migrant workers. Shadow report was submitted by Centre for Migrant Advocacy 65th session (24 October – 18 November 2016) - Bangladesh: Committee will review State Party's Report . Citizens' Initiatives on CEDAW has submitted a

	shadow report which include recommendations for women migrant workers <hr/> Reporting Cycle Treaty Bodies HRTB Weekly Update
UN Special Procedures	Report of the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants on the impact of bilateral and multilateral trade agreements on the human rights of migrants Read Report <hr/> How to submit information? More about Special Procedures
International Labour Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>105th Session of the International Labour Conference, 30 May – 10 June 2016</i> - Promoting fair migration: General Survey concerning ILO instruments Read Report ▪ The National Tripartite Preparatory Meeting for the 9th ASEAN Forum on Migrant Labour September, 9, 2016 / Hanoi More Info
Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Briefing Paper on GFMD Read ▪ Government Concept Paper for Bangladesh 2016 Read ▪ People’s Global Action – Updates and Discussion Forum
Migration and Development Civil Society Network (MADE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Civil Society Concept Note for GFMD Bangladesh 2016 Read ▪ Updates
United Nations High Level Summit on Refugees and Migrants	Civil society starting points for the outcome of the UN High-level Summit on addressing large movements of refugees and migrants Read September, 19, 2016 / New York

OTHER KEY DATES AND DEADLINES	
DETAILS	DEADLINES
Submission by civil society actors, national human rights institutions and regional organizations for the 27th Session of UPR - Indonesia, India, Philippines, Bahrain	September, 22, 2016
EVENTS	DATE AND LOCATION
Tripartite Meeting of Experts to Develop Guidance on Fair Recruitment More Info	September, 5 - 7, 2016 / Geneva
Ethical Recruitment Course More Info	September, 14 – 15, 2016 / Hanoi
Third Global Mayoral Forum on Mobility, Migration and Development More Info	September, 29-30, 2016 / Quezon City
5th Annual United Nations Forum on Business and Human Rights More Info	November, 14 – 16, 2016 / Geneva

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