



DTP MIGRANT WORKERS' RIGHTS e-BULLETIN

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UPCOMING DTP/MFA PROGRAMS

PROGRAM DETAILS	DATE & LOCATION
Bangladesh Capacity Building for Advocacy for Migrant Workers and Safe Migration (MODULE – IV) <i>(Participants Selected)</i>	22 – 25 Aug 2016 / Dhaka
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>	9 – 11 November, 2016 / Dubai

REPORTS ON DTP/MFA CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMS

Sri Lanka: 2014/15 – ‘Sri Lanka Capacity Building for Advocacy for Migrant Workers and Safe Migration’
[Read Report](#)

Bangladesh:
 Module 1: 5-7 December 2015 - ‘Bangladesh Capacity Building for Advocacy for Migrant Workers and Safe Migration’ [Read Report](#)

Module 2: 1-4 March 2016 – ‘Bangladesh Capacity Building for Advocacy for Migrant Workers and Safe Migration’ [Read Report](#)

UAE: 27-29 April, 2016 – Regional Workshop on Ethical Business and Recruitment Practices on Labour Migration [Read News](#)

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.*

United Arab Emirates

From Francis Solomantine, Middle East Centre for Training and Development in UAE

The Middle East Center for Training and Development has signed a memorandum of understanding with the Permanent Committee for Labour Affairs in Dubai to educate expat workers about their rights and laws. The training will be done in three phases and the pilot phase got commenced from this month. This is a great accomplishment for the Center!... Please find [news link](#) for your reference.

Sri Lanka

From Ranjan Kurian, Project Manager, HELVETAS

We have been working on the shadow report in response to the list of issues on the implementation of ICRMW.. we have come up with the 1st draft of the report based on few CSO consultation and we are going for a bigger CSO consultation for the finalization of the document... On another note, we will be carrying out CSO consultation for the Colombo Process (CP). So far, all good to secure CSO representation during CP. Also, we will be coming up with a CSO statement.

Philippines

Ellene Sana, Executive Director, Centre for Migrant Advocacy

Ellene Sana from the Philippines was in Geneva engaging with CEDAW and governments about the rights of Filipino migrant workers, and in the process helping to train some advocates from Bangladesh.

Ellene would like to share [descriptions](#) of the engagement... Press statement released after the concluding observations, which was covered by the [media](#).. Submissions to CEDAW – [Shadow Report](#) and [response to list of issues](#)

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.

Dina Nuryati, Indonesia – Board Member, SBMI, Indonesia [Read](#)

Francis Solomantine, Sri Lanka – Middle East Centre on Training and Development, Dubai [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.

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Middle East Centre for Training and Development [Read More](#)

Bangladesh

Refugee and Migratory Movements Research Unit [Read More](#)

OF INTEREST...

The Migration of Women Domestic Workers from Sri Lanka: Protecting the Rights of Children Left Behind [Read](#)

The Ugly Side of The Beautiful Game: Exploitation of Migrant Workers on a Qatar 2022 World Cup Site [Read](#)

Behind Closed Doors - Protecting and promoting the human rights of migrant domestic workers in an irregular situation [Read](#)

MIGRANTS RIGHTS AND RELATED NEWS

Migrant Domestic Workers: Overworked and Underprotected [Read](#)

The Gulf: Cleaning up construction [Read](#)

New labor law stiffens salary delay penalties, visa-trading – Kuwait lawmakers unanimously pass amendments [Read](#)

CALLS FOR ACTION

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

MIGRANT WORKERS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS

ORGANIZATION	EVENTS AND DATES
Human Rights Council	<p><i>32nd Session (13 June to 1 July 2016)</i> 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</p>
Universal Periodic Review	<p><i>26th Session (Oct – Nov 2016)</i> State under review from the region – Timor Leste</p> <hr/> <p><i>27th session (Apr – May 2017)</i> States under review from the region – Indonesia, India, Philippines Submission Guideline How to get involved? Practical guide for CSO</p>
Human Rights Treaty Bodies	<p><i>24th session (11 - 22 April 2016)</i> Bangladesh : CMW adopted list of issues relating to the State Party's Report of Bangladesh</p> <p>Indonesia : CMW adopted list of issues prior to reporting of the initial report of Indonesia</p> <hr/> <p><i>25th session (29 Aug - 7 Sep 2016)</i> Sri Lanka : CMW will examine the Second Periodic State Party's Report of Sri Lanka</p> <p>Information Note for CSOs and NHRIs for the 25th Session</p> <hr/> <p>Reporting Cycle Treaty Bodies</p>
UN Special Procedures	<p>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</p> <hr/> <p>How to submit information?</p>
International Labour Organization	<p>105th Session of the International Labour Conference, 30 May – 10 June 2016 - Promoting fair migration: General Survey concerning the migrant workers instruments Read Report</p>

Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD)	Briefing Paper on GFMD Read Government Concept Paper for Bangladesh 2016 Read
Migration and Development Civil Society Network	Civil Society Concept Note (DRAFT) for GFMD Bangladesh 2016 Read
Abu Dhabi Dialogue (ADD)	Briefing Paper on ADD Read Abu Dhabi Dialogue Senior Officials meeting 11-12 May 2016, Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE) Read Report
Migrants in Countries in Crisis Initiative (MICIC)	About MICIC Guidelines to Protect Migrants in Countries Experiencing Conflict or Natural Disaster Read
United Nations Summit on Refugees and Migrants 2016	Civil society starting points for the outcome of the UN High-level Summit on addressing large movements of refugees and migrants Read

OTHER KEY DATES AND DEADLINES

DETAILS	DEADLINES
Application to participate in the GFMD Civil Society Days 2016 Apply	August, 3, 2016
Submission by civil society actors, national human rights institutions and regional organizations for the 27th Session of UPR	September, 22, 2016
EVENTS	DATE AND LOCATION
Ethical Recruitment Course More Info	September, 14 – 15, 2016 / Hanoi
UN High Level Meeting on Addressing Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants More Info	September, 19, 2016 / New York

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