



## **Project on Gender-Based Violence during the Khmer Rouge Regime**

### **Women's Hearing for Youth**

#### **Role of Student Panel and Task Force**

#### **I. Background**

Cambodian Defenders Project (CDP) is organizing the Women's Hearing 2013 to raise awareness among the young generation about gender-based violence (GBV) during the Khmer Rouge regime. During this event, survivors of GBV will testify about their stories before a Student Panel. At the closing of the testimonies, the Student Panel will make a public statement on the issues they deem important to raise.

You can actively engage in this important event as member of the Student Panel and the Task Force. The Student Panel will include four students from different fields of study. The Task Force will elect the students sitting on the panel and provide support and back-up for the Student Panel. An expert panel advisor will provide input and guidance.

#### **II. Responsibilities of Student Panel and Task Force**

If you decide to sign up for this event, your responsibilities will include the following activities.

##### **1. Reading Assignment (1 day)**

The reading assignment will be given to you upon signing up. It will help you better understand the context and background on GBV under the Khmer Rouge regime. It is designed for one full day but it is up to you to manage your time to complete this assignment.

##### **2. Pre-Meeting (1/2 day)**

In August you will be invited to attend a pre-meeting to discuss your reading assignment and any questions that you have come across.

##### **3. Preparation Training (2 days)**

In September you will be invited to attend a preparation training to learn more about gender, GBV, Khmer Rouge past, psychological impact, dealing with victims, speaking to media and statement writing. At the end of the training you will draft an outline of the public statement for the Women's Hearing and your main messages.

#### **4. Pre-Hearing Workshop (1 day)**

On the day before the Women's Hearing you will be invited to a Pre-Hearing Workshop to meet the testifiers and others involved in the Hearing. You will also continue to work on your public statement and your messages.

#### **5. Women's Hearing (1 day)**

On the day of the Women's Hearing you will be able to listen to the testimonies and ask questions to the testifiers. At the end of the Hearing, you will make a public statement. Members of the Student Panel may be approached by the media.

#### **6. Follow-up Meeting (1 day)**

Around one week after the Women's Hearing, you will be invited to a follow-up meeting to give feed-back on your experience and finalize the full written public statement.

### **III. Benefits**

Your participation in this event will give you first-hand experience in human rights advocacy work. You will learn to draft, write and deliver a public statement in which you can voice your opinion. CDP will promote and disseminate this statement among other NGOs, the government, the universities and other stakeholders. Upon completion of all activities, you will receive a certificate of engagement by CDP.

### **IV. Qualifications**

We require the following qualifications:

- Currently enrolled in law, psychology, media and communication, social science or any other related field
- Committed to actively participate in all the above-mentioned activities
- Fluency in Khmer and good command of English
- Dedicated and reliable
- Good team spirit
- Sensitive to victim's needs
- Background knowledge on gender and GBV issues is a plus

### **V. Application**

If you are interested in committing to this event, please send a cover letter and CV via e-mail to

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Deadline for applications **31 July 2013**.