

ASEAN REGIONAL CONFERENCE OF SENIOR OFFICIALS ON SHARING OF GOOD PRACTICES IN SOCIAL PROTECTION FOR WOMEN IN ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

4-5 December 2014

Dusit Thani Hotel, Makati City, Philippines

Workshop Mechanics

Recommendations to make the *ASEAN Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection Plan of Action* responsive to the social protection needs of poor women in vulnerable employment.

Workshop objective: To come up with policy and program recommendations to address the social protection needs of women entrepreneurs.

The workshop recommendations will form part of the Conference Statement that will be submitted for consideration of the ASEAN Inter -sectoral Consultation on the Development of a Plan of Action for the Implementation of the ASEAN Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection.

Mechanics:

1. Workshop time is from 10:15-12:00; presentation of workshop output in the afternoon will be 15 minutes per group.
2. The group will be divided into 2:

Group 1	Group 2
Cambodia	Philippines
Laos	Indonesia
Malaysia	Thailand
Singapore	Myanmar
Vietnam	Brunei
Other Philippine delegates and observers	Other Philippine delegates and observers

3. Each group will be assigned a facilitator and documenter.
 - a) The workshop will consider the sharing of country experiences and the discussions during the sessions in responding to the relevant provisions of the ASEAN Declaration. The group will propose policy and program recommendations to address the social protection concerns of women entrepreneurs relevant to the assigned provisions. Recommendations may be for national level or where relevant or applicable, ASEAN level.
 - b) A template to summarize group recommendations will be provided. One member of the group will be requested to present their recommendations in plenary. Each group will be given 15 minutes to present its output in plenary.
 - c) Each workshop group will focus on 3 provisions of the Declaration.

GROUP 2: Discussion will be on Article # 11, # 13 and #14

11. Support national policies, strategies and mechanisms to strengthen the implementation of social protection programme, as well as effective targeting systems to ensure social protection services would go to those most in need;

- 1) *What are the national policies that strengthen the implementation of social protection programs for women in enterprise development?*
- 2) *What tool or instrument is used in identifying women engaged in micro enterprises?*
- 3) *What are considered gaps and challenges in these policies and mechanisms?*
- 4) *Come up with recommendations on how these gaps can be addressed?*

13. Promote results-based and evidence-based national assessments and benchmarking of social protection delivery services in ASEAN Member States that would contribute to the progressive implementation, effective monitoring and evaluation, as well as optimum impact of social protection;

- 1) *What available information do you have on women engaged in MSMEs?*
- 2) *What data gaps need to be addressed in order to effectively monitor and evaluate the impact of social protection programs for women in MSMEs?*

14. Explore and develop **assessment tools and regional statistical indicators** where appropriate to measure the impact of social protection to the holistic development of vulnerable groups for future planning towards available accurate baseline data collection;

- 1) *Are there existing indicators used to evaluate results or effects of SP programs and services for women in MSMEs?*
- 2) *Suggest on how to effectively monitor and evaluate programs and services for women in MSMEs?*