Nuth Pheng was born in a farmer family in Svay Rieng province. He is 18 and now studies grade 12.

In early 2013, Pheng decided to join Khmer Youth Association (KYA), a partner of Counter Trafficking in Persons Program (CTIP II) as a volunteer to support his community.

He was involved in activities and trainings on safe migration to help his community to migrate safely. “After my training on migration, many people started to ask me advice on how to migrate” he explained. For example, Mr. Gnot and his wife Ms. Thea had financial problems and used to send their children to live and work with other families abroad. “My team and I have visited his home several times and explained about the value of education and also about safe migration”.

Now everything has changed.

He allows his daughter to go to school and he has discussed with his children about the risks of illegal migration.

Pheng has told to the family: “I was born in a poor family, my family provided me great opportunity to study, so now I can find a job; I am capable and I can protect myself and it is my duty to help the most vulnerable ones” Pheng said.

As volunteer with CTIP II project, Pheng says: “I have improved my confidence and self-esteem and I am not scared anymore of communicating with my supervisor at KYA. Although I am just studying grade 12, I am able to discuss with villagers in other communes and districts. I am very proud of myself”.

“Knowledge and Education are the best means to Combat Human Trafficking”, he told us.
As part of prevention strategy, CTIP II team went to Philimore recruiting agency on December 23, 2013 to meet and provide orientation to 30 young women who are attending the pre-departure training at Philimore, before being sent to Singapore to work as domestic helpers.

CTIP II team collected information through the Ministry of Manpower and NGOs in Singapore and prepared a detailed orientation to inform the migrants on their rights and duties as foreign domestic workers in Singapore and on ways to seek for help in case of need.

This orientation is primarily organized to inform the migrants on their rights and duties as foreign domestic workers in Singapore, to provide them contact numbers and tips to avoid being exploited and fall into risky situation that can lead to trafficking.

450 community people were informed on how to migrate safely and how to prevent people from sex and labor trafficking through a community concert with many programs including singing, dancing, youth drama on “Women and Migration”, screening show followed by other entertainment programs. Youth mobile team from Phnom Penh and community-based youth networks in Leang Dai and Puok communes jointly organized the forum and show with KYA supervision.

They had good collaboration with local authority and other stakeholders. Besides creating advertising materials, they could explain the purpose and program of the event and answer questions raised by villagers during announcement. The youth have been trained through the project and they have also started to organize activities with small grants provided by the project.

“The public forum was an effective way to convey messages and information regarding safe migration to local people, helping them to be aware of where they should go to ask for advice before making decision to migrate, and how to seek for assistance in case of emergency” Leang Dai commune chief said.
Ministry of Justice with the support of CTIP II and International Justice Mission (IJM) facilitated a 2-day workshop on “Undercover Investigative Authority (UIA)” on December 11-12.

The workshop aimed to discuss and learn about the changing methodologies in sex and labor trafficking crimes that require more sophisticated investigation techniques and to review the current legal framework for undercover operations.

Undercover investigations can be used as a tool in trafficking investigations to proactively gather information, establish elements and gather evidence of a crime; gather information on victims, suspects and target locations; obtain probable cause for search warrants; and locate suspects or absconded criminals.

And human traffickers’ methods have become increasingly sophisticated and difficult to detect, making proactive and undercover investigation necessary for collecting sufficient evidence and building cases. Even if not prohibited by Cambodian law, undercover evidence collection operations in human trafficking cases have become challenging in recent years. Specific guidelines and trainings can support effective implementation and prevent abuses.

It is important to work in coordination and collaboration among different stakeholders, government and non-government, to address the issue effectively.

This event is organized to commemorate the victims of trafficking, women, men and children in all forms of exploitations in Cambodia and to let all public stakeholders, policy makers, development partners, civil society organizations and public people to be active and coordinated in fighting human trafficking effectively for providing social justice.

CTIP II in collaboration with National Committee Secretariat, Provincial Committees and other development partners organized a celebration of Anti-Human Trafficking Day on December 12, 2013 in 6 provinces (Prey Veng, Svay Rieng, Koh Kong, Siem Reap, Banteay Meanchey and Kampong Cham).

Approximately 7,000 people attended this event.

Guest speakers from local and national government shared that majority of Cambodian people continue to migrate illegally; still men migrate to work on fishing vessels where they encountered severe exploitation and slavery like conditions of work, still many children are sent every year to beg in Thailand and Vietnam where they are exploited and abused, still victims are not properly identified and repatriation process is difficult and lengthy and still prosecution of traffickers is difficult.

Dear Readers,
Winrock newsletter aims to provide information on human trafficking and safe migration to migrant workers, youth, students and school children. In every issue, we have questions for readers (only available in Khmer issue). Please answer the questions and send them to our office through the contact provided. For every issue, all answers will participate to lucky draw and three winners will be awarded of 50 USD.
If you see or fall into human trafficking, you can also try to seek for help through following numbers:

**In Cambodia**

Anti-Human Trafficking and Juvenile Protection (AHTJP) Head Office:
023 99 79 19 or 12 88 (free call)

**Other Provincial AHTJP Offices:**

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**NGO Contact Number In Cambodia**

- Cambodia Woman’s Crisis Center (CWCC) 098 360 049 (Poi Pet) 088 695 4178 (Siem Reap)
- Coordination of Action Research on AIDS and Mobility (CARAM-CAMBODIA) 012 949 914
- Legal Support for Children and Women (LSCW) 077 455 516
- Cambodian Center for the Protection of Children’s Right (CCPCR) 012 913 138

**Oversea Contact Number**

- Cambodian Embassy in Thailand: +66 29 575 851
- GAATW (NGO in Thailand): +66 28 641427
- LPN (NGO in Thailand): +66 34 434 267
- Cambodian Embassy in Malaysia: +60 34 257 1150 +60 34 257 3711
- TENAGANITA (NGO in Malaysia): +60 37 770 3691
- Ministry of Manpower in Singapore: +65 64 385 122 (General enquiries) +65 65 386 930 (Service quality)
- Transient Workers Count Too (TWC2) (NGO in Singapore): +65 62 477 001
- HOME (NGO in Singapore): 24-hour helpline for foreign female/male workers +65 63 415 525 +65 63 415 535