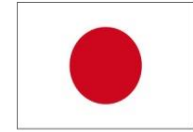


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Universal Social Protection through South-South/Triangular Cooperation**

[Side event]

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Japan's technical cooperation in the field of labour through the ILO

- Implemented over 40 years, mainly for Asian region (since 1974)
- Various projects in the field of employment, occupational safety, social protection, industrial relations, etc.
- Advantage of the cooperation with the ILO
 - Fully utilizing experience and knowledge accumulated in the regional/country offices and the specialists
 - Trusted by the government, workers, employers and ASEAN
 - Timely and flexible, tailor-made support through the offices in the field
 - Tight connection with workers union and industries, not only with the government



ILO/Japan's SPF projects since 2011

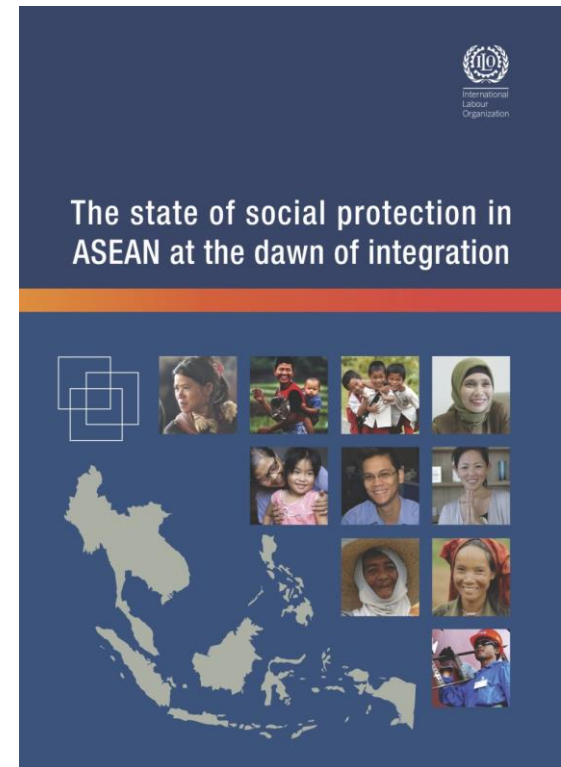
- ILO/Japan's support to ASEAN Secretariat and member States on social protection, since 2011
- ✓ 2011-2013: Promoting unemployment insurance and employment services in Viet Nam
- ✓ 2014-2016: Supporting the implementation of the ASEAN Declaration, Outreach to Mongolia
- ✓ 2016-2018: Extending social security coverage



Support to the implementation of the ASEAN Declaration on Social Protection

Expectations

- **Capacity building of social partners resulting in better engagement of social partners in regional process**
 - ASEAN Trade Unions' Statement
 - ASEAN Employers' position
 - Tripartite recommendations for implementation of the Declaration
- **Developing knowledge and sharing experiences**
 - ASEAN report on social protection = benchmark information for measuring progress in extending social protection
 - ASEAN monitoring framework on social protection (under discussion)



Achievements so far

- Social protection: priority outcome of the ASEAN Labour Ministries Work Programme 2016-2020 (ALMM)
- Thanks to continuity, long-term and sustainable impact is now visible (enhanced capacities, new national strategies, new schemes, new target groups)
- Over the years, ILO/Japan project developed a solid partnership with ASEAN Secretariat on social protection (invited to SLOM and SOMSWD)
- Role of workers and employers' organizations recognized for the implementation of the ASEAN Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection
- Regional knowledge products converted into regular standards course with ITC ILO (unemployment protection)
- SAARC is interested in learning from ASEAN process on social protection



South-South cooperation: ASEAN-Mongolia

- MAPS project since 2014; **M**ongolia **A**SEAN social **P**rotection and employment **S**ervices (MAPS)



- ✓ Contribute to the extension of social protection in ASEAN and Mongolia, by fostering know-how, capacities and South-south cooperation
- ✓ ASEAN learnt from Mongolia's extension of coverage and old-age pension system (Regional course), One-stop-Shop (study visit)
- ✓ Mongolia learnt from Viet Nam and Thailand' unemployment insurance (Regional course)

South-South exchange and cooperation: one example

Outcomes of the project are extended through South-South cooperation....

Experts' mission & Knowledge sharing

- ❖ Study visit to Mongolia: **Integrated delivery of social protection floors** (Single window services piloted in Indonesia, Cambodia, being discussed in Thailand), Ulaanbaatar and Tuv Province, 14-15 October 2014



[Sharing the experience of the operation support system in Mongolia](#)

South-South exchange: through training courses

- ❖ **Training course on expanding universal old-age pension systems**, 2015 in Bangkok, forthcoming 2016 in Hanoi
 - Participants from ASEAN countries, Mongolia, Nepal
 - Co-organized with ITC ILO and HelpAge (building long-term partnerships)
- ❖ **Training course on unemployment protection, including study visit**, in 2013 in Bangkok, 2015 in Malacca, in 2017 (ITC ILO course)
- ❖ **Good Practice Guide on Unemployment Protection: Sharing ASEAN experiences**
 - [Viet Nam Unemployment Insurance: an experience to be shared](#)



Challenges faced and gradually overcoming through implementation

- (1) Inclusion of social partners in ASEAN regional process: yearly ILO-ASEAN seminar on social protection, since 2012 : dialoguing and adopting tripartite recommendations
- (2) Through direct technical assistance to countries, project has brought not only qualitative changes (increased capacity, declaration) but also quantitative results (extension of SP coverage: new and improvement of schemes)
- (3) Necessity of publicity, for promoting the project itself at country level (many development partners on SP). Project is now a recognized partner at ASEAN level (SLOM & SOMSWD)

“Phase 3: Extending social security coverage in ASEAN”

Target countries: Indonesia and Viet Nam

Developing knowledge : request for learning from other countries experiences from Asia and beyond (Latin America), level of compliance with international labour standards

Dissemination of findings, tools and new solutions emanating from technical assistance and advisory services to target countries (Viet Nam and Indonesia) allow for multiplier effect and adoption of common actions at ASEAN level



Investing in **building capacities of social partners** too for facilitating informed decision on social protection policies (ASEAN level social partners capacity building)



Thank You For Your Attention

For more information, please see

[ILO-Japan Programme]

<http://www.ilo.org/asia/whatwedo/projects/japan/lang--en/index.htm>

[Policies by the Ministry of Health, Labour and welfare of Japan]

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