



RADIO COLELEMAI BUCOLI FGD



19 JULY 2013

FGD FACILITATORS: SATURNINO MATOS, ACCOMPANIED BY ANA DULCIA DA COSTA

PARTICIPANTS: 16 PARTICIPANTS (7 WOMEN, 9 MEN), AGED 19-47

FGD Content analysis

Most of the participants in Bucoli didn't listen to the program as they've shared; because of this fact, the team decided to play the episode on 'land dispute' to start the discussion. However after listening, one or two participants found out they've listened to the program in the Radio Timor-Leste when they were working in their paddy field. They confessed that they understood that there's a law that talk on the same right for men and women, yet they could run away from the existing culture in their village. Most of them are farmers, they were happy to listen to these cases, they hope that there will be a change through the information they've got. There was no discussion on the legal issues related to AATL because in that moment AATL hasn't confirmed their participation yet.

Challenges

Community radio is not able yet to organize the discussion. Media team has to bring the participants to the discussion place. As happened also to the Community radio's facilitator, that still not able to run the FGD by himself and he still needs the media team to accompany him.

Success Story

In Bucoli, we found out that the change happened in people's knowledge on the issues of equality. Most of the participants were men and they discovered that they knew about the law but the culture becomes an obstacle and they hope that it will change slowly. They also participated actively in the discussion process in the groups. After listening to the program one participant stated that he will share his land to his son and daughter.

Participants' Suggestion

The participants suggested that to bring this kind of programs to play and create discussion with the population that stay far and have no access to the information. To produce more programs on law and justice issues in order to improve people knowledge that will lead to create changes. They also mentioned that they have no radio monitor to access to; if SFCCG has a radio monitor then it can be shared to them so that they will be able to listen to the programs.

Next steps

Strengthen branding in the community radio and use local language 'uwaimua'; create discussion groups as a regular program in the village to have in-depth discussion on the related issues; and also bring this program to the students in the schools.