



RADIO TOKODEDE LIQUICA FGD



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FGD FACILITATORS: EDU EXPOSTO

PARTICIPANTS: 8 PARTICIPANTS (4 WOMEN, 4 MEN), AGED 17-50

Content analysis

The FGD was run well in Maubara sub-district, Liquica district, with the maximum participation of some young people. The FGD was held for the second time in Maubara sub-district, Liquica district, for this time it was started by playing the topic on the right of women on land. There were pro and contra between the participants on the right of women to be the land owners. According to some of young men, it is Timor's culture that has attached to the Timorese people since long time ago and it cannot be changed, now days we are implementing the laws of the foreigners in Timor to abolish the existed culture of Timorese. It means that the traditional justice is really important to unify the Timorese because if we lose it then the conflict will happen.

On the other hand, some of the women were really happy because through the information on land dispute, it put more values to women to be the land owners, which means that there will be no discrimination between men and women, they also thought that the aim of this program was to educate men to respect women's rights.

We can also analyze that in Liquica district especially in some areas, people are still rely on the traditional justice, according to them the trust among people is really protected through the traditional justice, because some people are afraid of their custom beliefs that are really strong, because if they don't believe in it then they will get the sanctions in their life.

Some parts of the traditional justice can be changed, as long as it will not bring any impacts on the principals of traditional justice. Based on the discussion, most of the participants haven't listened to the radio program because they didn't have access to the radio's network in the places where they live. They were happy with the presence of the team from Search for Common Ground by inviting them to listen to the program of Her Story because

this was as a part of information sharing to increase their knowledge on the formal justice.

Legal issues discussion by AATL

As usual, AATL started their facilitation with the exercise method by showing them the pictures that related to the cases of domestic violence, divorce, land, sexual abuse and etc. The aims of this exercise were to share the ideas to the participants on formal justice, public and civil crimes; so that they will have better understanding on it. Based on the fact, most of the participants have no idea about public and civil crimes. AATL tried to provide clear explanation on the law's requirements related to the women's issues.

Challenges

- Not many participants in FGD.
- The communities in Maubara have no access to the Community Radio.
- No information provided in advance about this program.

Success Story

No success story in Maubara

Participants Suggestion:

- Spread the frequency of community radio to the others communities so that they have access to good information.
- SFCG can share this information to the other rural areas in Maubara Sub-district in order to get more people knowing and understanding about this program.

Next Step:

- Work together with the local authorities in the village level to share this program to the rural areas.
- Strengthen the branding with the aim to make women's programs more famous.