



**MINUTES OF 8<sup>TH</sup> NETWORK FELLOWS AUDIOCONFERENCE**

1. The 8<sup>th</sup> Network Fellows' audio conference, the first for year 2011, was held last January 21, 2011 at 2:00 P.M., GMT +8. Network Fellows from the four priority countries namely Armen Ria Toquero (Northern Luzon, Philippines), Danardono Siradjudin (Java, Indonesia), Undral Gombodorj (Mongolia), San Chey (Cambodia) and conveners group (CG) member Laude Mangky (East Indonesia) attended; the Young Moro Network (Mindanao, Philippines) was not able to attend. Angelita Gregorio-Medel, Redempto Parafina, Jecel Censoro, Rande Cabaces and Mia Aquino, from the ANSA operations team, were present in the audioconference.
2. The agenda for the 8<sup>th</sup> audio-conference include discussion on the plans of individual CGs for the year 2011 and the result of the ANSA-EAP's strategic planning, and the consultation on the proposed network fellows meeting on February in Baguio City, Philippines.
3. Each CG shared the ongoing activities. Northern Luzon CG is continuing the conduct of community-based training on local government and social accountability. To align its training program with ANSA-EAP's, a sharing on the modules will be scheduled; Ria also requested for references on budget monitoring. In Cambodia, aside from continuing with its radio program and vehicular tax monitoring, it also plans to pursue policy advocacy for freedom of information and procurement. In Java, Indonesia, the CG will pursue the advocacy for more effective implementation of the right to information law through the grant project with the objective of setting up mechanisms to use it. In Mongolia, the CG is preoccupied with the completion of the scorecard initiative, which it plans to conduct every year.
4. Resource mobilization is an important concern for the CGs this year. They need capacity building to sustain the SAc practice, such as the scorecard in Mongolia, the vehicular tax and property tax monitoring in Cambodia, budget monitoring in Northern Luzon, and the advocacy for the effective implementation of the right to information law in Indonesia. The CGs will need help in terms of writing concept notes, developing project proposals, and organizing donors' forum.
5. ANSA-EAP director, Angelita Gregorio-Medel, briefly discussed the strategy of ANSA for 2011. The goal is to further strengthen the available facilities for learning and networking. ANSA aims to specialize further on procurement, extractive industries, and the use of ICT (using checkmyschool.org as prototype). For 2011, ANSA-EAP has to start tracking the effect of its efforts and investments for the past 3 years. ANSA-EAP should be able to present its "proof of concept" by evaluating the network platform it has built, its programs and the impact they brought in each country and sub-country. And finally, resource mobilization will be a crucial focus in order to sustain the efforts it has brought to the region.



6. The learning component will be conducting more training using translated materials on SAc. The focus is primarily on constructive engagement to coincide with the planned formation of government CG counterpart in each country and sub-country.
  7. To kick-off the year, a network fellows gathering shall be held on the 15-21 February in Baguio City, Philippines. Presentation of more coherent country plans, tying them up together, and integrating them in the overall regional agenda, plus discussion of capacity building requirements, particularly project development, shall be the primary agenda for the event. During the visit, the network fellows will also be able to attend the launching of checkmyschool.org meet members of the Northern Luzon CG.
  8. Consultation with individual CGs on their plan for the year shall be scheduled prior to February meeting. It will be done via skype or call.
  9. The meeting started at 2:15 p.m. and ended at 4:00 p.m.
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