#### What is a Multidisciplinary Team?

- Groups of professionals from diverse disciplines who come together to provide comprehensive assessment and consultation in trafficked cases
- Purposes are to resolve difficult cases and fulfill a variety of additional functions as
  - "checks and balances" mechanism to ensure that the interests and rights of all parties are addressed
  - identify service gaps and breakdowns in coordination or communication
  - enhance the professional skills and knowledge of team members as a forum for learning

#### **National MOUs on Trafficking**

- MOU on Common Guideline of Practices among Concerned Agencies for Operation in Case Women and Children are Victims of Human Trafficking, first signed in 1999 and revised in 2003
- MOU on Procedural Cooperation between GOs and NGOs Working with Cases of Trafficking in Women and Children, 2003
- MOU on Operational Guidelines for NGOs Concerned with Cases of Trafficking in Women and Children, 2003
- Regional MOU: Cooperation to Combat Human Trafficking among Provinces

#### **Development of Domestic MOUs**

- Go VS GoGo VS NGO
- NGO VS NGO
- Regional MOU
  - North
  - Northeast
  - East
  - Southeast
  - Southwest
  - Central





## **National and International MOUs**

- A kind of soft law agreed by concerned agencies on victim protection and prosecution of defenders
- Stimulating tool to sensitize all partners
- Need for communication and cooperation
- Real commitment and translate into action

## **Protection Measure**

- Provision of welfare protection and direct services for victims of human trafficking
- Intake
- Coordinate with related agencies to rescue victims
- Cooperate with investigative officers in identifying trafficked victims
- Referral services
- Recovery and vocational training
- Legal assistance

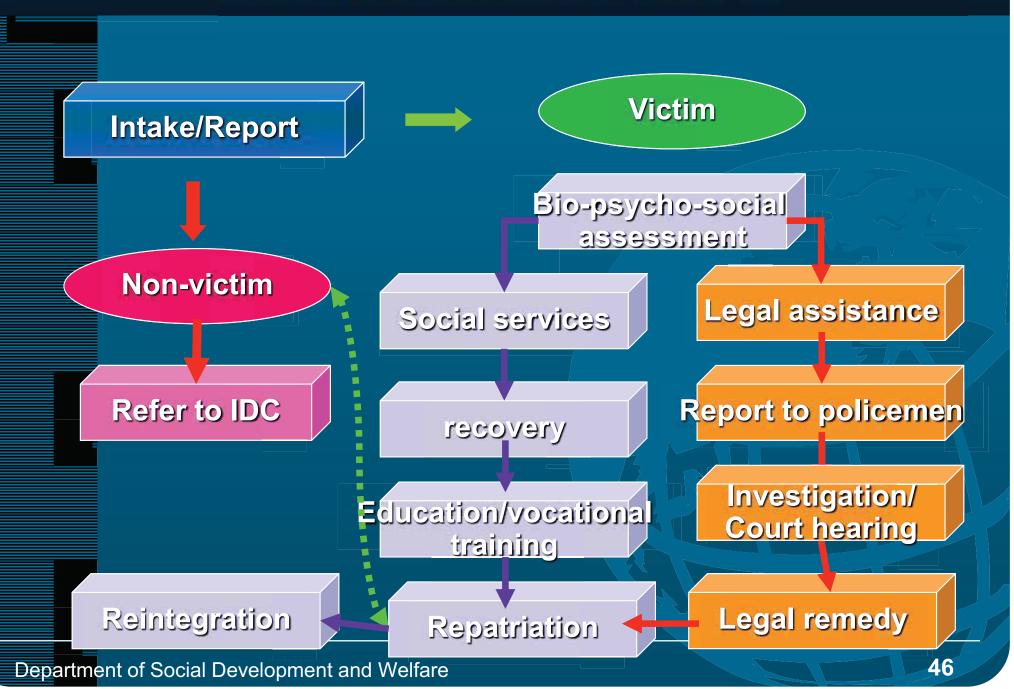
Coordinate for repatriation and reintegration







#### **Protection Process**



#### **Protection and Legal Assistance**

- Investigation details of traffickers
- Social Worker assess bio-psycho-social condition of victims
- Verify age by teeth and bone examination
- Identify citizenship
- Provide temporary stay permission according to Immigration Act of 1979
- Refer to appropriate temporary shelter
- Request for deposition/ early testimonial
- Child-friendly investigation/ respect to rights of adult women

#### Early identification of potential victims





- Screening Check List by Royal Thai Police
- Screening at the Thai embassies
- Information Referral mechanism among agencies in destination countries, Thai embassies and DSDW
- Screening at the airport by Immigration officers and DSDW Social workers

## **3. Protection Measures**

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Pathumthani She

9 main shelters

Main shelters provide comprehensive services: food, medical care, psycho-social recovery, legal aid, life skills & vocational training, repatriation and reintegration

76 temporaly shelters

Baan Kredtrakarn nationwide to assist law enforcement officers for victim identification and provide Ranong Shelter for Mepreliminary services

**Baan Srisurat** 

Songkhla-Shelter-for-Men

for Men

#### **DSDW Roles and Responsibilities**



Medical care

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Counseling



**Education** 

e Care

Shelters



Legal assistance



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Repatriation



Family tracing & Assessment

Vocational training

## Legal Assistance

- Investigators get details of traffickers
- Social workers assess bio-psycho-social condition of victims
- Verify age, citizenship by investigators
- Provide temporary stay permission according to Immigration Act of 1979
- Request for deposition/ early testimonial
- Child-friendly investigation/ respect to right adult women

### Recovery

- Medical check-up & psychological examination
- Bio-psycho-social assessment
- Plan for long term care
- Case conference with multidisciplinary team



#### **Repatriation and Reintegration Process**

#### **PRE-RETURN**

- INTAKE
- VICTIM IDENTIFICATION
- BIO-PSYCHO-SOCIAL RECOVERY
- VOCATIONAL TRAINING
- LEGAL ASSISTANCE
- INTERVIEW
- REFER DATA & INFORMATION
- FAMILY TRACING & ASSESSMENT

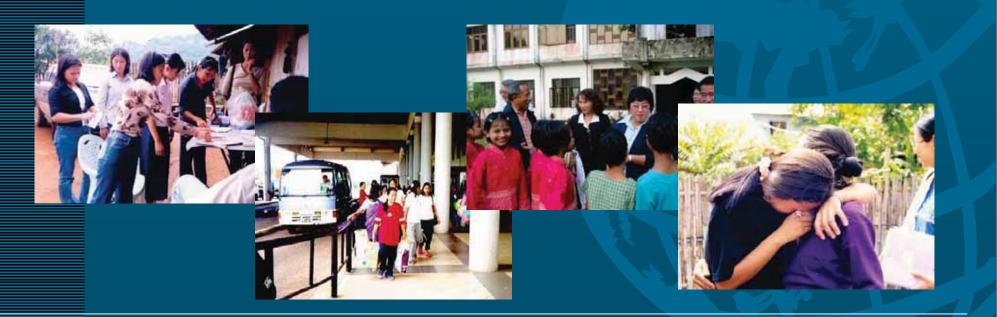
## RETURN

- CONTACT DC
- LOCAL AUTHROITY
- ARRANGE TRIP
- PREPARE
  LOGISTICS
- SOCIAL WORKERS
  IMMIGRATION
  - OFFICER
  - ACCOMPANIED
- HAND OVER
- CASE CONFERENCE

REINTEGRATION • RECEIVE INFORMATION • CONFIRM DATE • ARRANGE CAR • REFER TO NGOS • CONDUCT FAMILY TRACING AND ASSESSMENT MONITOR & FOLLOW UP

#### **Principles of Repatriation & Reintegration**

- Safety of trafficked persons
- Continued assistance
- Agencies in the area of origin provide after care services





#### **Principles of Repatriation & Reintegration**







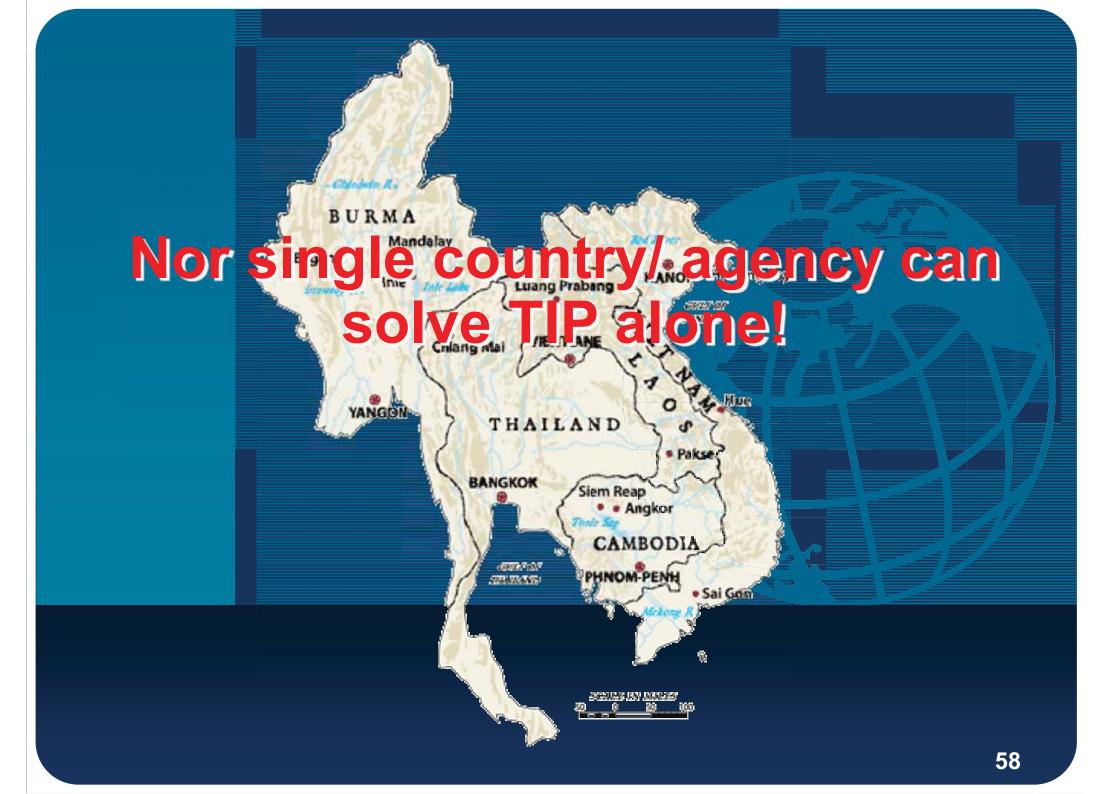
Case Conferences among Law Enforcer and Social Service Providers at national and inter-country levels with Myanmar

## Victim Center Approach

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## 3. International Cooperation Measures

 Signed bilateral MOU with Cambodia in 2003, Laos in 2005, Vietnam 2008, Myanmar 2010

- Signed multi-lateral COMMIT MOU among six countries in the Mekong Sub-regions in 2004
- Joint Task Force with Japan
- Joint Committee's dialogue on human trafficking with Malaysia
- Cooperation with Australia

Promoting Government to Government Cooperation with agencies in both origin and destination countries

#### **Cooperation with Japan**

1. Establishment of Mechanism: Japan-Thailand Joint Task Force on Counter Trafficking in Persons: JT-CTP Plan of Action 2006 – present 2. Drafting a guideline Standard Operating Procedures for Protection, Repatriation of Trafficked Persons between Thailand and Japan 3. Organizing regular meetings Working Lunch between Japan Embassy and Thai authorities Consular Meetings

### **Cooperation with JICA**

Project on the Strengthening of Multi-Disciplinary Teams (MDTs) for the Protection of Trafficked Persons

Period: 2009 – 2014 (5 years)

Purpose: Thai government strengthens the MDT approaches and establish an appropriate model for the protection of trafficked persons in selected central and northern areas

## **Multilateral MOU**







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#### **MOU Thailand – Cambodia: 2003**



#### **Plan of Action: Thailand - Cambodia**



# Scopes for cooperation

- Repatriation and reintegration
- Prosecution and Suppression
- Information exchange

#### **MOU Thailand – Laos: 2005**



#### **Plan of Action: Thailand and Laos**







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#### Involve Media in Anti-trafficking work with Laos October 2007

Joint Thai-Lao Workshop on Media for Development and Dissemination of Cross-border Human Trafficking

#### Signing Vietnam Thailand MOU ceremony at Hanoi, 24 March 2007



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#### Establishment of MOU Myanmar – Thailand Second dialogue at Nay Pyi Taw 1-2 April 2008

Second Billateral Meeting on Memorandum of Understanding to Combat Trafficking in Persons between Myanmar and Thailand

1-2 April, 2008

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# Key Success and Lessons Learned



## Key success

- Strong leadership both politically and within statutory authorities who have responsibility and power to both create and implement policy
- Strong leadership of committees who have power and authority to institutionalize the policy and plan.



## Key success

- Thailand works through the political parties process to address the issue by support from NGOs
  - Manage to address the issue politically to get attraction from political parties but ensure that the problem was recognized beyond the bounds of politics

# **STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

