Cambodia Under CEDAW Review



The Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women ("the Committee") is a body of 23 independent experts on women's rights that monitors the implementation of CEDAW in ratifying states.





State parties are obliged to submit regular reports to the Committee every 4 years.

1st, 2nd and 3rd periodic reports January 2006

4th and 5th periodic reports October 2013

6th periodic report October 2019



Cambodia was reviewed by the CEDAW Committee ("the Committee") in its 74th session for its implementation of women's rights as set out in the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women ("CEDAW").



To be as well informed as possible, the Committee welcomes **national and** international CSOs to provide country-specific information.

What can CSOs do?



Submit written submissions before the CEDAW pre-sessional working group or before the sessions of the Committee.



Attend the pre-sessional working group and sessions of the Committee. Time is set aside for CSOs to provide oral information.



CSOs can organize side events during the sessions for members of the Committee.

After the review, CSOs can assist and cooperate with all stakeholders in the implementation of recommendations as well as monitor and report on the implementation of these recommendations.

Why should CSOs participate?



 \mathbb{Q}^2 CSOs can influence the outcome of the review.

They give their independent assessment of the human rights situation. which can be compared with the national report.

They can play a crucial role in **monitoring and supporting** the implementation of the recommendations, thereby **increasing the impact** of CEDAW and promoting the elimination of discrimination against women.

CSO reports submitted for the pre-sessional Working Group

• Reports were submitted by civil society organizations for the Pre-sessional Working Group concerning Cambodia. These are available here: <u>https://bit.ly/2Njsy6k</u>



- The reports contain a list of issues together with suggested questions for the review of Cambodia.
- CCHR submitted a joint submission on Access to Justice alongside the Cambodian Human Rights and Development Association (ADHOC), Destination Justice, Klähaan and Women Peace Makers. The report is available here: <u>https://bit.ly/2pXDr5J</u>

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