

**APWLD Asia-Pacific Regional NGO Consultation with the
UN Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women, Its Causes and Consequences
and the UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights and
Fundamental Freedom of Indigenous Peoples
Theme: Violence Against Indigenous Women in Asia Pacific
October 15-16, 2008
New Delhi, India**

Day 1

Wednesday 15 October 2008

TIME	TOPIC/ ACTIVITY
8:30-9:00	Registration
INTRODUCTION	
9:00-9:45	<p>Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>Lynnsay Francis, Regional Coordinator of Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development: <i>Welcome</i></p> <p>Manisha Gupte, Convenor of Violence against Women Task Force of APWLD / Convenor of Mahila Sarvangeen Utkarsh Mandal (MASUM): <i>Introduction to the Objectives of the Consultation</i></p> <p>Overview of the UNSRVAVW mandate and her engagement with the civil society</p> <p>Madhu Mehra, Women's Human Rights Working Group of APWLD</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(15 mins)</p>
SESSION I. Inter-linkages and Connections	
9:45-12:00	<p>Session I : Inter-Linkages and Connections Moderator : Manisha Gupte, MASUM, India</p> <p>Vicky Tauli-Corpuz, Chairperson of UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues : <i>Introduction and Overview of "Mairin Iwanka Raya : Indigenous Women Stand against Violence"</i></p> <p>Yakin Ertürk, UN Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women, Its Causes and Consequences: <i>Political Economy of Violence against Women with special regard to Indigenous Women in Asia Pacific</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">(30 mins each)</p> <p><i>[Coffee/Tea Break] 10 :45-11 :00</i></p> <p>Indira Jaising, UN CEDAW Committee member : <i>Interlinkages between CEDAW and the Rights of Indigenous Women</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">(20 mins)</p> <p>Open Forum (40 mins)</p>
SESSION II. Identifying the Issues	
12:00-13:00	Session II : Identifying the Issues : Violence against Indigenous Women in Asia

	<p><i>Pacific- Manifestation of violence against women in the life of indigenous women</i> <i>Moderator : Edwina Kotoisuva, Fiji Women's Crisis Centre, Fiji</i></p> <p>Panel Discussions</p> <p>A. Neoliberal economic globalisation and development aggression against indigenous women</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Priti Darooka, Programme on Women's Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (PWESCR), India 2) Eleanor Dictaan – Bang-oa, Asian Indigenous Women's Network (AIWN) 3) Souknida Yongchialorsautouky, Gender and Development Group (GDG), Lao PDR <p style="text-align: right;">(10 mins each)</p>
13:00-14:00	Lunch
14:00-15:30	<p><i>Session II : Identifying the Issues - continues</i> <i>Moderator : Edwina Kotoisuva, Fiji Women's Crisis Centre, Fiji</i></p> <p>Panel Discussions</p> <p>B. Militarisation, armed conflict and indigenous women</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Norma Cranso Capuyan, Kalumaran and BAI Mindanao, Philippines 2) Lisa Baza, Peace and Justice Consortium, Guam 3) Lucky Sherpa, National Network of Indigenous Women (NNIW), Nepal <p>C. Violence in the name of culture, tradition and religion, and HIV/AIDS issue: an indigenous women's perspective and human rights approach</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Keke Loa Reva, Motu Koita Assembly, Papua New Guinea 2) Noraeri Thungmueangthong, Tambon Administrative Organisation Council Thailand 3) Atina Gangmei, Asia Indigenous Peoples Pacf (AIPP) Foundation <p>D. Displacement and Migration of Indigenous Women</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Mary Labang, Kachin Women's Association, Burma/Thailand <p style="text-align: right;">(10 minutes each)</p> <p>Open Forum (20 minutes)</p>
15:30-15:45	Coffee/Tea Break
SESSION III. Protecting Rights, Preventing Abuses and Violence	
15:45-17:30	<p><i>Session III : Protecting Rights, Preventing Abuses and Violence</i> <i>Moderator: Virada Somswasdi, FORWARD, Thailand</i></p> <p>Panel Discussion (10 mins each) :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction to Law : Statutory law, traditional/customary laws and practices and dual/parallel legal system in Asia Pacific <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Madhu Mehra, Partners for Law in Development (PLD), India

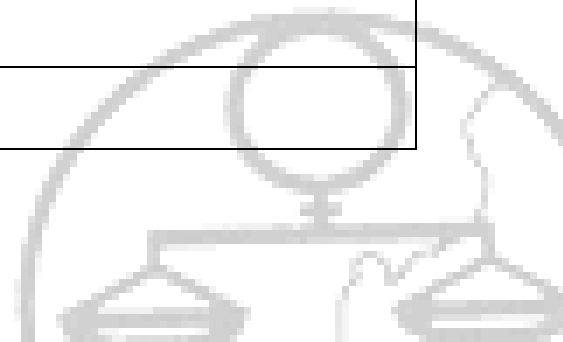
	<p>2. Access to Justice : Women’s Notions of Justice, beyond the formal legal system (introduction to access to justice research by VAW TF) :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manisha Gupte, Mahila Sarvangeen Utkarsh Mandal (MASUM), India <p>3. Use of UN mechanisms : IPs use of parallel legal systems (restorative justice) and UN mechanisms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vicky Tauli-Corpuz, UNPFII <p>Country Presentation : Access to/Use of Formal/Informal Legal Mechanisms and other Justice Systems by Indigenous Women</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Catherine Raka, Motu Koita Assembly, Papua New Guinea 2. Mei-hui Chaing, Kaoshiung Indigenous Women’s Growth Association, Taiwan 3. Naomi Shimazaki, AINU, Japan 4. Catarina Tungcul Estavillo, AMIHAN, Philippines 5. Shahnaz Iqbal, Shirkat Gah : Women’s Resource Centre, Pakistan 6. Kabita Pandey, Forum for Protection of Public Interest – Pro Public, Nepal <p style="text-align: right;">(5 mins each Mei-hui and Naomi : 10 mins each-translation)</p> <p>Open Forum (30 minutes)</p>
Questions and Responses from the UN Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences	
17:30-18:30	<p><i>Questions and Responses from the Special Rapporteur (30 mins)</i> <i>Facilitator : Vernie Yocogan-Diano, Innabuyog, Philippines</i></p> <p>Yakin Erturk, UN Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women</p> <p><i>Synthesis and Wrap Up</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">(30 mins)</p>
19:00	Solidarity Dinner

Day 2

Thursday 16 October 2008

TIME	
9:00- 9:40	<p><i>Recapitulation of Day 1</i> <i>Manisha Gupte, MASUM, India</i></p>
Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedom of indigenous people	

9:40 – 10:30	<p><i>Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedom of indigenous people</i> Moderator: Manisha Gupte, MASUM, India</p> <p>S. James Anaya, UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedom of Indigenous People : Introduction to the Mandate and the Situation of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedom of Indigenous Women in Asia Pacific <p style="text-align: right;">(20 mins)</p> <p><i>Open Forum : Questions and Answers</i> (30 mins)</p> </p>
10:30-10:45	Coffee/Tea Break
SESSION IV: Indigenous Women Speak Out	
10:45-12:30	<p><i>Session IV : Indigenous Women Speak Out-with special focus on state and non-state violence against indigenous women</i> Moderator: Sarala Emmanuel, Suriya Women’s Development Centre, Sri Lanka</p> <p>Country Presentation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Appakutty Magimai, Society for Rural Education and Development (SRED), India 2. Bernadate Norhanida Annol, Partners of Community Organisations (PACOS) Trust, Malaysia 3. Rasamee Thawsirichuchai, Thai Indigenous Women Network (TIWN), Thailand 4. Backey Tripura, Khagrapur Mahila Kalyan Samity (KMKS), Bangladesh 5. Srey Sras Panha, NGO Forum, Cambodia 6. Olga Djanaeva, Alga: Rural Women’s Union, Kyrgyzstan <p>Issues include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Health 2) Education 3) Land rights 4) Citizenship 5) Displacement 6) Culture and language 7) Climate change <p style="text-align: right;">(5 mins each Rasamee 10 mins for translation]</p> <p>Open Forum (55 mins)</p>
12:30-13:30	Lunch Group Picture



SESSION V: Strategies and Recommendations	
13:30-15:00	<p>Session V : Strategies and Recommendations - Group Work Introduction to group work: Honey Tan, Persatuan Kesedaran Komuniti, Selangor (Empower), Malaysia</p> <p>1. Strategies (national, regional and international level)</p> <p>2. Recommendations to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States • Non-state actors (IFIs, TNCs, etc.) • Special Rapporteurs and the UN • Civil society
15:30-15:45	Coffee/ Tea Break
Reporting Back and Adoption of Recommendations	
15:45-16:30	<p>Reporting Back and Adoption of Collective Recommendations Moderator: Honey Tan, Persatuan Kesedaran Komuniti, Selangor (Empower), Malaysia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Group 1: neoliberal globalization and violence against indigenous women ○ Group 2: militarization/armed conflict and violence against indigenous women ○ Group 3: culture, traditions and violence against indigenous women <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(15 mins for each group)</i></p>
CLOSING SESSION	
16:30-17:30	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <p>Yakin Ertürk, UN Special Rapportuer on Violence against Women, Its Causes and Consequences</p> <p>S. James Anaya, UN Special Rapportuer on the Situation of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedom of Indigenous People</p> <p>Manisha Gupte, Convenor of Violence against Women Task Force of APWLD / Convenor of Mahila Sarvangeen Utkarsh Mandal (MASUM)</p> <p>Lynnsay Rongokea Francis, Regional Coordinator, APWLD</p>