

Outstanding Youth Group of Cambodia (OYG-CAM)
3rd Youth Networking and Team Building Camp
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Result of the Group Discussions

1. Air Pollution

Team 1:

Causes:

a. Human Activities:

- ❖ Emission from various kinds of transportation (boats, ships, cars, motors, etc.)
- ❖ Poor waste management (tourists & vendors)
- ❖ Lack of environmental awareness

b. Natural Causes:

- ❖ Environmental disasters (fire, sandstorm, etc.)

Effects:

- ❖ Damage human's health (causing cancer, birth defects, heart disease, pneumonia, asthma, emphysema, etc.)
- ❖ Affect on human-made structures such as discoloration, erosion, and decomposition of building materials, etc.
- ❖ Reduce number of both national and international visitors
- ❖ Causing acid rain
- ❖ Result in global warming (increase earth temperature)

Solutions:

- ❖ Discourage people to use all types of automobile
- ❖ Improve waste management and encourage recycling
- ❖ All stakeholders such as NGOs, Government, locals should work closer to find effective control strategies for this problem (increase awareness of people, adapt the law on air pollution and enforce it)

Team 1:

Slogans: “youth are the backbone of environment conservation” and “the environment preservation starts with you (as a youth)”

2. Soil Pollution

Team 2:

Causes:

- ❖ Lack knowledge
- ❖ Carelessness
- ❖ Fail policy
- ❖ Lack of awareness raising programs
- ❖ Lack of conversion factory

Effects:

- ❖ Human health
- ❖ Lose tourists (lose income)
- ❖ Spoil quality of land
- ❖ Kill small plants and trees
- ❖ Affect the benefit of future generation

Solutions

- ❖ Enhance protection and cleaning of the beach
- ❖ Encourage relevant institutions to join the effort
- ❖ Increase awareness raising about the affects
- ❖ Enforce and strengthen policy
- ❖ Regulate the creation of factories at the beach areas
- ❖ Include education about environment in the study curriculum
- ❖ Show model (for example through the 3rd youth camp of OYG-CAM)
- ❖ Motivation and strengthening the cleaning of beach

Team 2:

Slogans: "Join the cleaning to have a clean beach"

3. Noise Pollution**Team 3:****Causes:**

- ❖ Noise from various kinds of sea transportation (ferry, boat, ship, harbor's activities...)
- ❖ Audio entertainment systems or loudspeakers
- ❖ Seaside construction work
- ❖ Noise from night club
- ❖ Tourists and sellers (noisy people)
- ❖ Automobiles

Effects:

- ❖ Increase risk of mortality of sea lives (extinction, death or make movement)
- ❖ Damage psychological health for both human and sea creatures (annoyance, stressful and aggressive)
- ❖ Disturb visitors and local people
- ❖ Drop off number of visitors
- ❖ Low income from tourist industry

Solutions:

- ❖ Mitigation and take control of the noise barriers
- ❖ Technical person and other stakeholders should pay more attention on industrial noise or construction nearby the seaside by redesigning the equipment than can remove noise
- ❖ Seek to reduce the number of night club
- ❖ Encourage youth to participate in broadening their understanding on noise pollution

Team 3:

Slogan: “Natural voice is a very romantic music, but prosthetic voice is so disturbing”

4. Water Pollution:**Team 4:****Causes:**

- ❖ Draining the waste into the sea
- ❖ Not enough public toilet or WC
- ❖ Lack of awareness on environmental pollution of visitors and local people
- ❖ Lack of motivation to environmental protection
- ❖ Fishery in warning zone
- ❖ Filling up land in the sea

Effects:

- ❖ Damage people’s health causing various disease such as diarrhea, colic,...etc
- ❖ Damage the biodiversity and fishery production
- ❖ Damage elegant scenery of the sea
- ❖ Low income from tourism sector

Solutions:

- ❖ Broad dissemination about effects of water pollution
- ❖ Erecting more public toilets and bins as much as possible
- ❖ Motivating people to participate in environmental protection
- ❖ Municipality pays more attention to environment issue
- ❖ Open youth club to observe the environmental destruction

Team 4:

Slogan: “clean water and clean beach make people happy”.