

SUMMARY OF SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS

Question/Item	Gender	Vulnerable Groups	HIV/AIDS	Anti-Trafficking
What are the key social development issues in the GMS and cross border areas, as transport corridors become more economic development corridors?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender mainstreaming, capacity building for all ministries concerned in GMS Program, starting with GMS working groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poverty • Problem of return-to-poverty • Difficulty in providing services in remote areas • Low productivity, lack of access to markets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of awareness among migrant workers and “host” communities • Lack of access to prevention, care and support services • Need for effective coordination among countries • need to establish a “minimum standard service package” on HIV/AIDS at cross-border areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing exploitative business • Increased migration, exposure to the world • People smuggling/trafficking due to strict border controls
What are the future priorities for this subgroup?	Emphasize need for baseline research on impact of economic integration on women in GMS countries especially along border areas to guide future actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include a program on income generation for ethnic minorities (capacity building, job creation, marketing promotion) • Organize GMS Handicraft Exhibition (Viet Nam to host first exhibition) • Set up programs/activities and implement in response to the key social development issues 	Same as above (Order of priority: Bullets 1, 3, 4, and 2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy development and capacity building leads to labor inspection, police raid, law enforcement and local authority. • Safe migration awareness campaign through media • General awareness for migrants on border crossing • Training of border officials
What areas would the subgroup like to see carried forward as part of the HRD sector in the next GMS Strategy?	Include gender section in new strategy based on analysis from baseline research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include the following programs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Education program ➢ Health care program ➢ Employment program 	Same as above	Funding, inclusion in pipeline of assistance