

Media & Peace

C4D Forum Myanmar 2019

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We are very delighted to share the success of taking a course in Yangon which was organized by BBC Media Action. The course took us four days which we could learn about Media and Peace.

There were 40 youths and they were from different States. We were very grateful to all responsible people to be chosen as the representatives on behalf of Vera Thomson English School, Thandwe township, Rakhine state.

On the first day of our training, teacher Lay Lay from BBC Media Action explained to us what Participatory Video was and how to make a Participatory Video. In the afternoon, we had to learn Mobile Phone Photos skills by Sayar Myo Min Oo. He taught us how to take photos and how to make videos by using our mobile phones.

On the second day, we learnt how to record sound from teacher Hsu Myat. We also learnt how to interview and how to chose a location for an interview. In the afternoon, teacher Aung Yel Htut Tin from Joint Peace Fund came and talked us about Peace. He explained about the Government Peace Plan to us. *(eg.2011 Aug-18 U Thein Sein Government offered a ceasefires) (2016 Jan- 12 First Union Peace Conference Under U Thein Sein Government)*. He also explained about the groups involved in bilateral ceasefires. There were so many things that he explained about peace to us.

On the third day, we were told to make videos about Peace by using our mobile phones. They divided 40 youths into 6 groups and one group had to make one video each. It took us one day to make videos and to edit them.

On our final day, we had a chance to go and visit BBC Media Action. We could learn how they create sounds to record, what they were doing with peace, what programs they

have and the other things. During these four days we could learn a lot from the teachers and it was really great to meet 40 youths from different states. On that day, we all had to move to Inya Lake hotel where the forum was going to be held, because the forum and our media course were linking.

The forum was for three days. The title was “Media and Communication for Development Forum Myanmar 2019”, “Maung Tee Gya Soh”, (Beat the Gong)”.



The Forum was expected to explore the ways to support media’s positive contribution to the development of Myanmar. More than 200 development specialists attended the forum. Our videos were shown in front of these people.

At the forum we could learn-

- #Fairness and Equality,
- #Exploring Mobile & Digital Culture in Myanmar,
- #Animation,
- #Graphic Recording and the importance of Visual Communication
- #Road Safety,
- #Voices for Momo’s Campinas
- #Media and Gender Equality in Myanmar,
- and other good topics from the specialists.



When the forum was completed, we were provided with certificates for Participatory Video Training Workshop by the organizers.

In the future, we would like to share our knowledge to the students and the community so that they can know the value of peace and the importance of media. So the course we took has been very precious for not only our students but also our community.