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CCHR’s Voices for Gender Equality (“VGE”) Project Launches an Online Exhibition of Women Human Rights Defenders’ and LGBTIQ+ Activists’ Profiles.

CCHR’s VGE Project aims to contribute to improved gender equality within government structures and in public life in Cambodia by ensuring that targeted women, girls, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and/or queer (“LGBTIQ+”) individuals are empowered to claim their rights and have increased support from authorities and their communities. It does this by establishing support groups and networks for women and LGBTIQ+ activists to increase rights holders’ awareness of, and demand for, gender equality and protection from violence.

Over four years, with the expected goal of raising awareness of gender discrimination and equality in Cambodia, and enhancing the capacity of women, girls and LGBTIQ+ individuals to have confidence to claim their civil and political rights, the project produced 30 profiles of WHRDs and LGBTIQ+ activists. The first 15 profiles were produced in 2019 and another 15 profiles were produced in 2020. The project has already publicly released these profiles. To increase their visibility, the VGE project created an online exhibition. This online exhibition acts as a platform where the public can view the profiles and learn more about the WHRDs and LGBTIQ+ activists. The VGE project will organize a launch event to present the platform.

- Date: Thursday, 11 August 2022
- Time: 7:30 AM to 12:00 PM
- Venue: Himawari Hotel, Phnom Penh.

You can access the online exhibition on CCHR’s Human Rights Portal on 11 August 2022 via the following QR code.

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Notes to the Editor:

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