TCI Asia Fellowship Report

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Activities conducted during the fellowship (2018-2019)

I. Advocacy against article 104 on the draft of the Prevention of Sexual Violence Act. Article 104 stated that forced contraception on women with psychosocial disability by request of the family is not a crime.

1. Conducted series of meetings with National Commission of Women’s rights who sadly is the one that propose this article.
2. Conducted meetings and building support from various women organizations.
3. Organized events and seminars on the issue of women with disabilities.
4. Audiences with member of House of Representatives especially commission 8.
5. The persistence advocacy finally gained result. In February 2018, National Commission of Women’s Rights officially drop article 104 out of the draft of the Prevention of Sexual Violence Act

II. Building a joint movement between women with disabilities and women organizations.

1. Hosting a big event to celebrate International Woman’s Day on March 8 2018 in collaboration with other DPOs as committees/organisers. This is the first time women with disability activists organized and becoming the host of International Women’s Day celebration. The events was very success with more than 30 coverage from media
2. Organized Gender danCedaw trainings for women with disability and mainstream women activists. So far we have organized two training. The training module is a combination of CRPD and CEDAW.
3. Joint actions with mainstream women’s groups advocate the Draft of the Prevention of Sexual Violence Act (minus article 104) to members of Indonesian House of Representatives.
4. Participating in alternative draft of Prevention of Sexual Violence Act with women organizations.
III. Advocacy on the right to vote for people with psychosocial disability at the General Election 2019

1. Press Conference of Indonesian Mental Health Association with Indonesia Election Monitoring Body:
   Ensuring election rights of people with psychosocial disability at the General Election 2019
   September 2018 at Media Center of Indonesia Election Monitoring Body

2. Press Conference of Indonesian Mental Health Association with Indonesian Disabilities Coalition and Association of Psychiatrist: Election rights of people with psychosocial disability at the General Election 2019
   October 2018 at Media Center of Indonesia Election Monitoring Body

3. Focus Group Discussion (FGD), held by Indonesia Election Monitoring Body and Indonesian Mental Health Association; assuring the data collection and assurance of election rights at the General Election 2019.
   October 2018 at Royal Kuningan Hotel.

   December 2018 in the Jakarta General Election Commission Hall.

   January 2019 at KPU RI Media Center.

6. The debate on disability issue by presidential candidates team with the topic: Building an inclusive Indonesia.

7. Organized by Indonesian Mental Health Association as part of the Working Group of National Coalition of Disability Organizations.

8. February 2019 at the Indonesia General Election Commission Hall.

9. Continuous advocacy has succeed to change the previous discriminatory Electoral Commission Regulation. The old regulation forbid psychosocial disability to be registered as voters without letter of psychiatric clearance from psychiatrists. The new regulation has deleted this requirement, which means PWPD are to be registered without any requirements, equal as others.
IV. Advocacy to stop shackling and human rights violation at social care institutions

1. Photography Exhibition of Shackling and Social Care Institutions with Human Rights Watch at House of Representative, Senayan, October 2018. This exhibition was opened by parliament members and followed by a press conference.

2. Discussion with Minister of Law and Human Rights, Mr. Yassona Laoly, on the human right violations in social care institutions, October 2018.

3. Organized official visits to observe the condition of social care institutions with Indonesian Ombudsman, National Commission of Human Rights and Ministry of Law and Human Rights. October 2018

4. Intensive meetings with the General Directorate of Human rights, Ministry of Law and Human Rights, November 2018 – until now. The meetings are aimed to form an inter ministerial working group to solve the problem of human rights violations of PWPD, especially in the practice of social care institutions. October 2018

5. National seminars on "Efforts to Stop Human Rights Violations against People with Psychosocial Disability " to commemorate International Human Rights Day on December 6, 2018. This workshop was co-organized by Indonesian Ministry of Law and Human Rights and attended by 300 participants from various government bodies and civil society organizations. This seminar was opened by the Director General of Human Rights and has reaffirmed the findings of human rights violations in social care institutions and formulate recommendation to stop human rights violations against persons with psychosocial disabilities. This cross ministerial activities will be led by the Ministry of Law and Human Rights. October 2018

6. Cross-ministerial meeting for the preparation of national working group to stop violence against PWPD. This meeting was opened by Director General of Human Rights and attended by representatives of various ministries and Ombudsman.

V. Advocacy on the rights to work of People with Psychosocial Disabilities


2. Meetings with Jakarta province official on the admission of non-Civil Servant (PNS) contract work to be employed at DKI Jakarta province.
a. Preparation of decent work recommendations according to the type of work table opened.
b. Recommendations for removing physical and psychiatric health certificates for conditions for applying for a job.
c. Recommendation for eliminating the maximum age limit for people with disability.
d. Recommendations for facilitating suitable accommodation for persons with disabilities.