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Upcoming Virtual Event - The Economist's Technology for Change Week Asia

MARCH 11, 2021 GMT - Join The Asia Foundation for its presentation on Go Digital ASEAN to learn about the digital skills training initiative that is working to unlock economic opportunity and help minimize the negative impact of the Covid-19 crisis across the region. The event is part of The Economist's virtual summit, Technology for Change Week Asia. Click here for more information of the Foundation's technology and development program.





Recent Virtual Event - Don't Mess with Me: Combating Gender-based Violence in South Asia Through Art and Engagement

FEBRUARY 17, 2021 - In partnership with the San Francisco Asian Art Museum, this event featured a conversation with Indian artist Jas Charanjiva and panel discussion of sexual violence against women and how artists and organizations like The Asia Foundation - including our office in India - are working to combat gender-based violence.

VOICES FROM THE FIELD

Mongolia: Strengthening Mongolia's Justice System

Strong professionals in the justice sector maintain rule of law and promote Mongolia's democratic and economic growth. This one pager describes The Foundation's work to strengthen the capacity of young legal professionals in the Mongolian criminal justice sector and develop a sustainable model for their continued professional development towards a more reliable, transparent, legal system. Learn more about the Foundation's <u>law and justice</u> and <u>strengthening governance</u> programs.

Sri Lanka: Pioneering Program Addresses Trauma Head-On

Ten years ago, The Asia Foundation launched the USAID-funded Victims of Trauma Treatment Program (VTTP) in Sri Lanka to provide psychosocial support to communities devastated by the civil war and has continue to provide vital support in the wake of traumatic events. This episode of the InAsia podcast discusses how the program is responding to the needs of vulnerable populations and practitioners during Covid-19. Click here to view a photo essay of stories of frontline providers and watch the short film below to learn more about the program and its partnerships.

National Training Program on Mental Health Nursing



<u>A Thai Family Reunion Bridges Communal Divides</u>

A gathering of over 1,000 Muslim and Buddhist descendants of four brothers named Lim from China that settled in Thailand's Muslim-majority South holds symbolic value for the people of this historically contested region. It serves as a reminder that, in spite of their cultural differences, and regardless of the identities constructed for them by the state or society, ordinary people leading their lives want to connect to one another, and can find ways to extend their hands across the chasms that divide them to find the meaning in their shared humanity.

Vietnam: How Gender-Smart Investing Increases Profits and Gender Equality

Vietnam Country Representative Michael DiGregorio makes the case for gender-smart investing, which not only advances women's empowerment but contributes to mitigating the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, building climate resilience, and fostering economic growth.



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Women in the Pacific Islands

and highlights This challenges report opportunities women face in the context of the The Asian Approaches to Development pandemic, climate change, and the imperatives of Cooperation (AADC) aims to bolster Asia's overall technology-led change. emerging opportunities for Pacific women and knowledge and responses to Covid-19 across the offers strategies to improve women's preparation region and beyond. for and access to these opportunities. Learn more Foundation's work on development and aid about the Foundation's work in the Pacific effectiveness. Islands and women's empowerment program.

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The paper analyzes preparedness for the global pandemic by sharing Learn more about the



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