

Human Rights Defenders (HRD) Programme Internship

FORUM-ASIA's HRD Programme is a protection measure for human rights defenders (HRDs) and women human rights defenders (WHRD) in Asia. It seeks to facilitate a conducive environment for defender towards a more effective and efficient conduct of their work while being conscious of the risks involving their actions. It also pursues provision of practical safeguards for HRDs/WHRDs at risk by reducing both actual and perceived threats stemming from their work and activities.

General Tasks and Activities of Internship

- Monitor human rights situation in area of work;
- Support research into human rights issues and conduct mapping of various human rights issues;
- Assist in programme work/ documentation/compilation/administrative work;
- Assist in organising or preparing for campaigns or events;

Specific Tasks under the Human Rights Defenders (HRD) Programme

- Daily monitoring of human rights situation and issues in Asia related to or affecting human rights defenders (HRDs);
- Assist in maintaining a regional database on HRDs in Asia and related portal;
- Assist in drafting entries for the "Stories from the Fields" and "Campaign on HRDs" section in the Asian HRDs Portal;
- Assist in developing visual material on UN Declaration on Human Rights Defenders; and
- Assist in drafting urgent appeals, press statements and official letters to be sent to relevant UN Special Procedures and other key regional and international mechanisms for the protection of HRDs in Asia.

Qualifications of Applicants

Applicants should have:

- Bachelor's degree or advanced degree in international human rights law, political/social sciences, Asia studies or relevant field;
- Some practical knowledge about international human rights standards, mechanisms and practices;
- Commitment and interest in human rights and social justice issues in the Asia region;
- Self-motivation and ability to work independently;
- Experience in organizing or planning meetings/ conferences or campaigning;
- Strong interpersonal, oral and written communication skills;
- Experience in online communications, website management as well as graphic design would be preferable; and
- Good teamwork skill.

Deadline: 5 February 2017, midnight Bangkok Time (UTC +7)

Length: maximum 6 months, **starting immediately**

Location: Bangkok, Thailand

Remuneration: modest stipend (450 \$, paid in the local currency –Thai Baht) will be provided to interns at the end of each month during the internship.

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