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**For the first time Lore I Village in Lautem District receives legal training from JSMP**

On 28 January 2014 the Legal Research Unit of the Judicial System Monitoring Programme (JSMP) organized training at Lore I Village, in Lautem District.

Just like the training that has been provided in other locations, the materials delivered in this training dealt with human rights, the role and competencies of judges, prosecutors, public defenders, and private lawyer, as well as types of crimes and how criminal cases are dealt with by the formal justice system.

The participants included members of the village administrative structure such as Village Chiefs, Sub-Village Chiefs, female elders and youth representatives. The 30 participants comprised 13 men and 17 women.

“This training was provided by JSMP to community leaders as a way to bring the formal justice system closer to the people because they are key players, because community leaders are the first ones to deal with problems that occur in the community,” said the Executive Director of JSMP, Luis Oliveira Sampaio.

The Village Chief of Lore I, Mr. Mateus F. Siquiera, spoke on behalf of his village at the start of the training and expressed his gratitude to JSMP for choosing his village even though it is very remote and difficult to access due to poor roads. He went on to say that the training is a new experience and this was the first time that they had received such training.

During the training the participants were enthusiastic and showed their keen interest in gaining a deeper understanding of the formal justice process. JSMP hopes that the information given by JSMP through this training can increase public awareness and understanding about the justice system and the process that must be pursued when dealing with a case.

Based on the JSMP activity plan, similar training will be provided on 6 February 2014 in Maliana District.

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