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**Students from the 1912 Senior High School in Same received training for the first time on gender roles and relevant sexual crimes set out in the applicable criminal procedure code**

On 15 February 2017 JSMP conducted training for students at the 1912 Senior High School in Same Sub-District, Manufahi District. This training was attended by students in year ten (first year of senior high school) and comprised 22 girls and 8 boys.

This training was aimed at increasing the knowledge of the students on children's and women's rights, general concepts relating to the Law Against Domestic Violence, rape and the sexual abuse of minors as well as access to formal justice.

“This training is important as it provides information to students to increase their knowledge and can allow them to avoid these crimes,” said Luis de Oliveira Sampaio, Executive Director of JSMP.

JSMP has found that in most cases involving minors that have been brought before the courts most of the minors don't have knowledge about these circumstances, and when these crimes occur they are unable to use the appropriate channels to have their cases dealt with.

A representative of the Principal of the 1912 Senior High School in Same, Mr. Carlito Belo, in his opening speech requested for the students to make proper use of this training. In addition Mr. Belo also acknowledged that since the school opened no organization had provided any training at the school. He also emphasized that these topics are relevant because the current school curriculum does not contain any specific materials that talk about these issues.

During the training the students gave their full attention and heard about legal procedures for minors in conflict with the law, cases of domestic violence, cases of sexual abuse against minors and the classification of public crimes and semi-public crimes.

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