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Students from Oecusse Vocational Engineering School welcome training from JSMP

On 19 February 2015 the Judicial System Monitoring Programme (JSMP) conducted a training session at the Oecusse Vocational Engineering High School. This training was received with enthusiasm from school administrators and students. The participants in this training were administrators and students. There were 30 participants, comprised of 12 men and 18 women.

The training materials covered human rights, the role of private lawyers and public defenders, cases of sexual violence and domestic violence, the classification of criminal cases and how to process criminal cases through the formal justice system.

"This training is an important step in providing legal information to the students about the formal justice system, so they can better understand how to resolve criminal cases that occur in their community through the formal legal channels that exist in Timor-Leste", said the Executive Director of JSMP, Luis de Oliveira Sampaio.

The Principal of the School, Francisco José Caet, in his opening and closing speeches expressed his great appreciation to JSMP for coming and providing important information about the law and human rights to the school administrators and students. This information is really valuable for the students so they can have a better understanding about crimes set out in the law and the applicable formal procedure.

Mr Caet added that they were pleased because this was the first time that JSMP had provided training intheir school about legal matters. Therefore, he requested JSMP continue the same training in the future because many students have not yet received this information.

The training was received with much enthusiasm from the students. This was evident during each stage of the training process where the participants actively asked questions when they did not understand some of the information presented by the facilitator. In addition, the students also recommended JSMP continue disseminating important information to high school students, especially female students who have not yet received this information.

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