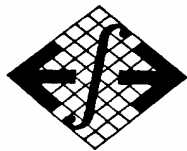




2005 Pilot Study on the Diagnosis of Indigenous Peoples' Rights to Ancestral Domains and Ancestral Lands in the Philippines

FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Guide to Focus Group Discussion on IPs' Rights to Ancestral Domain and Ancestral Land

FGD Moderator: Good morning / Good afternoon

FGD Moderator introduces:

1. Herself/himself
2. His/her partner - recorder
3. The NCIP Monitoring Supervisor
4. The CHR Monitoring Supervisor

FGD MODERATOR STARTS WITH

We are gathered today to conduct this discussion, which will be a part of a pilot study on indigenous peoples' rights to ancestral domain and ancestral land.

This study is conducted to:

1. Describe the perceptions and awareness of IPs about their rights to ancestral domain and ancestral lands;
2. Find out whether IPs enjoy their rights to ancestral domain and ancestral lands or whether these rights are violated; and
3. Describe the measures and mechanisms used by IPs to realise their rights to ancestral domain and ancestral lands and to redress their grievances if these rights are violated.

OPENING

Tell us your name and where you live.

INTRODUCTION

When you think of human rights, what comes to mind?

KEY QUESTIONS

- A. PERCEPTIONS and AWARENESS
 - What is your understanding of ancestral domain?
 - Ancestral land?
 - IPRA or RA 8371?
 - Rights to ancestral domain?
 - Rights to ancestral land?
- B. REPORTED ENJOYMENT and VIOLATION
 - The IPRA guarantees your rights to ancestral domain/ancestral land. In what ways do the rights affect your present situation?
 - In your present situation, have you encountered any violation of your rights? What particular rights are being violated?

C. MEASURES PROVIDED BY GOVERNMENT, PRIVATE SECTOR, CIVIL SOCIETY and IP COMMUNITY

- What government interventions (services, programmes, and projects) have been provided in relation to your rights to ancestral domain/ancestral land?
- What other institutions/organisations have provided interventions (services, programmes, projects) in relation to your rights to ancestral domain/ancestral land?
- What have you done and what are you doing in the protection, promotion and fulfillment of your rights to ancestral domain/ancestral land?
- What has the community done, and what does it need to do, to protect, promote and fulfil the rights to ancestral domain/ancestral land?

D. GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY MECHANISMS USED

- What specific customary laws on ancestral domain/ancestral land are implemented? Do these laws affect family issues? Property issues? Other issues?
- What legal and judicial assistance have been provided by the government in protecting and fulfilling your rights to ancestral domain/ancestral lands?
- Which of these have been used by you or your community?

SUMMARY QUESTION

(This is asked after giving a short oral summary--2 or 3 minutes--of the key questions and the main ideas that emerged from the discussion. After the summary, the participants are asked about the adequacy of the summary.)

Q: Did I correctly describe what I said?

FINAL QUESTION

(The final question in a focus group is an “insurance question.” Its unique purpose is to ensure that critical aspects have not been overlooked. The question begins with a short overview of the purpose of the study.)

FGD Moderator: Let me repeat to you the purpose of the study. These are:

- To describe IP perceptions and awareness of their rights to ancestral domain and ancestral lands;
- To find out whether IPs enjoy their rights to ancestral domain and ancestral lands or whether these rights are violated; and
- To describe measures and mechanisms used by IPs to realise their rights to ancestral domain and ancestral lands and redress their grievances if these rights are violated.

(Following this overview, the moderator asks the final question.)

Q1: Is there anything that we should have talked about but didn't?

Q2: We would like to help IPs understand their human rights, especially their rights to ancestral domain and ancestral land. What advice do you have for us?

CONCLUDING STATEMENT

Thank you very much for your wonderful cooperation and participation.

Reporting Sheet

A. Cover Page of FGD Report

THE RIGHTS TO ANCESTRAL DOMAIN AND ANCESTRAL LANDS:
RESULTS OF FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION WITH TRIBAL LEADERS OF
THE BAGO TRIBE IN SUGPON, ILOCOS SUR, KANKANA-EY TRIBE IN
KIBUNGAN, BENGUET AND BUGKALOT TRIBE, IN QUIRINO

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FGD Recorder

NCIP FGD Monitoring-Supervisor

CHRP FGD Monitoring Supervisor

Date Submitted: _____

RESULTS AND FINDINGS

Reporters:

Moderator: _____

Recorder: _____

Q1. _____

Responses from Tribal Leaders^a included:

Category

1: _____

2. _____

3. _____

Category

1: _____

2. _____

3. _____

(Signature)

RESULTS AND FINDINGS

Reporter: NCIP Monitoring Supervisor

Q1: _____

Descriptive Summary:

Q2: _____

Descriptive Summary:

(Signature)

^a Tribal Leaders / Women / Youth

^b Bago Tribe / Bugkalot Tribe / Kankana-ey Tribe

^c Sugpon, Ilocos Sur / Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya / Kibungan, Benguet