

# #SafeInCustody

## Who we are

Everyone should be Safe In Custody. To help make this happen, the Association for the Prevention of Torture (APT), Suara Rakyat Malaysia (SUARAM), Task Force Detainees of The Philippines, and Cross Cultural Foundation (CCF) in Thailand are joining forces.

For the next 3.5 years, we will work to prevent forced confession and incommunicado detention in Malaysia, the Philippines, and Thailand.



## Who are we working with?

Torture prevention is and must be a collective effort. Law enforcement agencies, national human rights institutions (NHRI) and civil society organisations (CSO) are the key drivers to reduce risks of torture and ill-treatment.

We will work together to build stronger national synergies amongst civil society organisations, police authorities and national human rights institutions.



## What we aim to do



**1** Increase transparency in police custody by strengthening independent oversight



**2** Improve police practices by implementing detention safeguards and non-coercive interviewing



**3** Build public support for torture prevention by increasing knowledge of rights and mobilising artists and youth

# Reducing risky practices leading to torture and ill-treatment in police custody in Malaysia, Philippines and Thailand

## APPROACH

- Build trust through inclusive research, dialogue and closed meetings
- Strengthen capacity through blended learning
- Communicate in creative ways with partners and the public
- Foster synergies at the national level and among the three countries



## ACTIVITIES

- Online learning and support for monitors of police custody
- Regular engagement with high-level police authorities
- Training for police on detention safeguards and effective interviewing
- Hope-based communication workshops
- Art exhibitions, film festivals, cartoon competitions, documentary films



## OUTCOMES

- Capacities of NHRIs and CSOs to monitor detention are strengthened
- Detention safeguards and non-coercive interviewing are implemented
- Dialogue and trust between CSOs, NHRIs and police is strengthened
- Community attitudes shift towards support of torture prevention



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