

## Justice Funding & Sustainability in Cambodia





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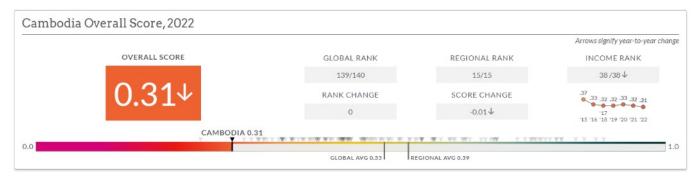
### Who are we?

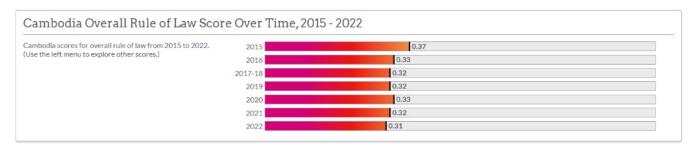
We are a collective of international lawyers and justice development experts with inter-disciplinary skills passionately committed to using law and justice systems as a catalyst for transformative social change.

We do this by providing legal, technical, and programmatic support to local civil society groups, national and international institutions, lawyers' networks and associations, public and private sector, justice development investors and philanthropic foundations.

CLTC anchors its work in building agency, harnessing collective intelligence, and amplifying voices from the community to shape justice systems and pathways to justice.

## A justice system that is backsliding





#### ♂ 8.5 | CRIMINAL SYSTEM IS FREE OF CORRUPTION



#### **5.3** | PEOPLE DO NOT RESORT TO VIOLENCE TO REDRESS PERSONAL GRIEVANCES

	GLOBAL RANK	139/140		CAMBODIA 0.18	
0.18	REGIONAL RANK	15/15	0.0	1.0	6
	INCOME RANK	37/38		GLOBAL AVG 0.49 REGIONAL AVG 0.59	



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### **Our Cambodia strategy:**

<u>Short term:</u> Innovative justice financing to mobilize today

Long term: What does civil society need, so that we are no longer needed?



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Shaping stronger pathways to justice in Cambodia

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### Recommendations

- Move away from the rigid top-down grant making processes
- Trust in local leadership
- Build meaningful **partnerships** with CSOs
- Participatory grant making that reflets local justice concerns
- Pooled funding models that recognise justice as intrinsically lined to all SDGs
- Long-term flexible funding and core institutional stability
- Look beyond the immediate outcomes
- Support CSOs to hold difficult discussions with government and decision-makers
- Promote opportunities for **collaboration**



# Finance innovation to close the justice gap



Human Rights through art



Address Prison Overcrowding



### Remove justice barriers for migrant workers



Understand community needs



Mobilise Community Paralegals



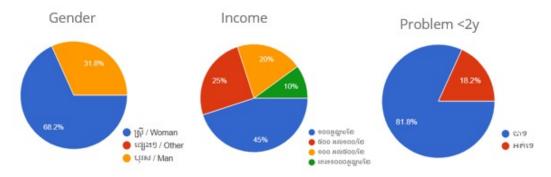
Advocate for due process rights in misdemeanour cases





# Understanding community needs

- Goal: Understand the justice needs of communities
- Outcome: 500 community member provide responses to an online survey
- Resources required: google form, telephone, internet, community connection, trust, people power.
- Result: Communities are experiencing fear, threat, violence, and loss of income, home and land. 82% sought help from civil society









### **Remove justice barriers for migrant workers**

- Goal: Increase access to complaint mechanisms for migrant workers
- Outcome: Migrant workers and their families receive access to legal assistance and social support.
- Resources required: community connection, trust, people power.
- Result: Shifting the costs burden.
- Next steps: Look for opportunities to scale up advocacy and partnerships towards "zero recruitment fees".







# Questions ...





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