

# CHILD PROTECTION IN EMERGENCIES

## Professional Development Programme

### LEARNINGS FROM THE PROGRAMME AND EXPERIENCE-SHARING WITH OTHER PARTICIPANTS WILL BE INVALUABLE, ESPECIALLY IN RAPID ONSET EMERGENCIES.

Working for **Plan International**, Lawrence is a participant on the Child Protection in Emergencies Professional Development Programme, working with 18 other Child Protection professionals from international & local organisations and governments from South-East and East Asia.

His manager tells us more about how beneficial having Lawrence participate on the programme has been.

#### Building technical capacity and sharing the learnings

“When we heard about the programme, we selected Lawrence to apply based on his Child Protection field experience and language skills; we wanted to make sure he was confident enough to fully participate in the programme and apply the learnings so that it would be beneficial to the whole organisation.

Child Protection in Emergencies work in Myanmar is still very new, we have limited local resources and limited technical capacity in the region so Lawrence’s experience and skills will be very useful, and he will go on to share them with colleagues here at Plan International and civil society in Myanmar.

“Lawrence has been very confident since he joined the programme, he’s taken a leading role in the team, including with partners, state-level authorities and the Cluster.”

We are working with partners on the ground, mostly in IDP (Internally Displaced People) camps, and we want Lawrence to strengthen the CPiE capacity of these implementing partners. Since starting on the programme Lawrence has been able to lead a CPiE team and deliver quality project implementation that includes dealing with local implementing partners and local stakeholders.



Lawrence is now assuming more challenging roles, achieving CPiE programme outcomes in the absence of a Humanitarian Project Manager and contributing to CPiE project proposal writing in close liaison with CP specialists in Yangon. We are finding ways to integrate his learnings in our programming and share them with colleagues.

Currently Lawrence is on a job placement with UNICEF, working on landmine education and integration in CPiE programming. This will not only empower him but also our organisation. The UNICEF country team is very willing to support Lawrence and thanks to this placement he will learn more about planning a better approach to Mine Risk Education programming and Child Protection coordination at national and sub-national levels.”

