Mid-Year Report La'o Hamutuk January – June 2023

La'o Hamutuk's vision

The people of Timor-Leste, women and men, of current and future generations, will live in peace and contentment. They will control a transparent, just and sustainable development process which respects all people's cultures and rights.

All citizens will benefit from Timor-Leste's resources, and will accept the responsibility for protecting them.

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Mission and Situational Context

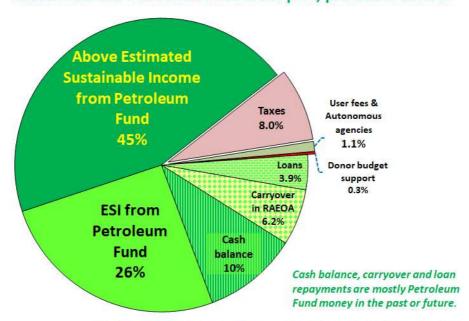
La'o Hamutuk ("Walking Together" in English) is an independent, Timor-Leste non-governmental organization which monitors, analyzes and reports on development processes in Timor-Leste, particularly the programs and policies of the national government and international agencies operating in the country. La'o Hamutuk produces fact-based analysis to educate and empower the public on decisions being made by its representatives. We consult with and lobby decision-makers in Government, Parliament and international agencies to advocate for more equitable, sustainable and people-focused policies.

During the first half of 2023, the Government operated under the 2023 budget promulgated by President Ramos-Horta, with a final ceiling of \$1.9 billion, including the budgets of Public Sector services and Administrative entities, consisting of the Budget of the Central Administration, by the Social Security Budget and by the Budget of the Special Administrative Region of Oe-Cusse Ambeno.

The pie chart below shows the planned withdrawals from Petroleum Fund, which will pay for about 86% of state expenditures in 2023.

Revenues in approved 2023 State Budget

\$1,920 million total (excluding Soc.Sec. internal transfers)
86% is from the Petroleum Fund in the past, present or future.



Graph by La'o Hamutuk based on the approved State Budget for 2023. December 2022

During this period, we took advantage of opportunities to strategically advocate for better governance and human rights, because there was a parliamentary election in May. We consistently monitored activities of the government and other decision-makers, as well as the information on their websites. We also gave input to consultations related to the draft law on climate change, Bayu-Undan decommissioning, Australia-Timor-Leste relations and fiscal sustainability.

We developed our annual action plan to decide our priorities, especially how we update, inform and educate the public so that they can better understand key issues facing the country and government policies, to help them participate as active citizens in the democratic process. Therefore, in March, we conducted four public meetings on economic, politic and social issues in Laclo (Manatuto municipality), Baguia (Baucau municipality), Ermera, and Aileu municipalities. To facilitate our activities, we also provide handouts of the materials we presented, such as printing *Surat Popular*, *Bulletins* and presentation materials.

In addition, we consistently provided our opinions and results of our analysis through several events and TV shows related to issues of transparency, the fiscal cliff, the development of Greater Sunrise and economic diversification – including the development of Timor-Leste's 'Blue Economy'. We presented at three public seminars held by the government, media and the National University.

We also continued to meet with influential actors, including international agencies, to update them on our thoughts, perspectives, and analysis about the current situation in Timor-Leste, as well as conducting advocacy to influence their work. We met with the World Bank, oil and gas company Santos, embassies (UK, EU and France), the Minister of Petroleum, TimorGAP and ANPM.

This six-month period included the Parliamentary election process – campaigns and voting. Every political party carried out consolidation preparations for the community regarding their goals and programs before the election. La'o Hamutuk conducted several strategic activities to update voters and election observers on the situation in this country and provided public education to encourage thoughtful decisions about who will lead the next government.

We regularly shared information through radio programs, pamphlets, TV talk shows, and interviews by local and international journalists, so that even people who did not come to our events could be informed about the country's economic situation and conditions, as well as giving the public an idea of how to ask political parties to focus on development that leads to economic diversification, equity, and sustainability. To keep a record of election activities and events, we created and regularly updated a page on our website.¹

We wrote a submission to the Australian Parliament about the status of their military forces in Timor-Leste, and another to the Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority about Santos' intentions to develop the Australian Barossa gas field with Carbon Capture and Storage in Timor-Leste's territory. We continued conducting research for the International Budget Partnership's Open Budget Survey (OBS).

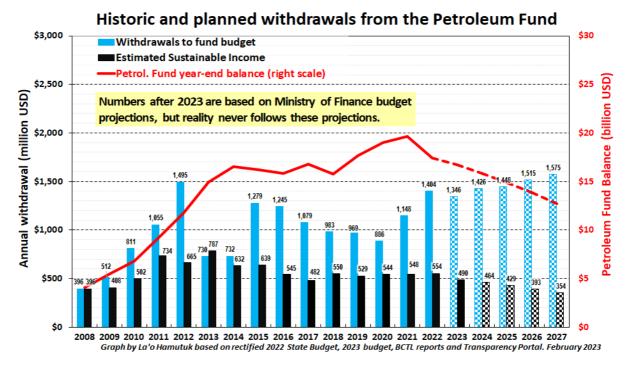
Even though we didn't undertake field research, we met with several relevant decision-makers to explore their intentions and update ourselves about the progress of Greater Sunrise and other oil and gas projects by holding strategic meetings with relevant institutions, including TimorGAP and ANPM; we also attended the Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association (APPEA) Conference and Exhibition in Adelaide, Australia. We also met with international agencies such as the World Bank and the EU to share a civil society perspective regarding conditions that should be considered by the government as well as observations related to government programs. The aim of these meetings is to expand our advocacy so that the government can also hear from those who are considered their development partners.

We continued to monitor developments regarding climate justice, to ensure that global and local climate governance is in the best interests of the people. For a long time, the climate movement, including La'o Hamutuk in Timor-Leste, has insisted that the climate crisis needs to be resolved in a way that is just. Climate justice means that wealthy nations which have caused most of the climate changes should bear the greatest share of responsibility for the impacts experienced by developing countries. It is unjust for developing countries to face a dual crisis, firstly because of the direct impacts of climate change on people and the environment, and secondly from the economic burden of managing or responding to those impacts, which would widen and deepen global inequality. Our previous observations have suggested that the Timorese people do not have access to adequate information about the causes and consequences of climate change, and this restricts their capacity to pursue just outcomes for themselves and their communities.

Our analysis of the State Budget allocations indicated that there has been some progress in good governance. Decision makers increasingly discuss issues such as the fiscal cliff, which will drastically impact people's lives. However, we have learned that the Government's actions are not always consistent with their public statements. La'o Hamutuk successfully worked to increase decision-makers' awareness about these key issues, but we observe that work needs to continue in order to

¹ https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2023/ParlElec/23ParlElec.htm

ensure that this translates into action when the new government takes office. The following graph shows planned continuing escalation of Government spending even as the Petroleum Fund is rapidly depleted.



The following are some major results of our work between January and June 2023:

- La'o Hamutuk was interviewed or cited more than 56 times in national and international media.
- The public including civil society and media can access detailed analysis of the budget and participate in public debates, and also improve their coverage
- Members of Parliament understand how some proposed allocations are able to support better outcomes for the people, and have their attention drawn to proposed budget allocations that will not benefit the people.
- Leaders of political parties and the community consider the real condition of TL's oil and gas as a matter of the fiscal cliff, and economic diversification, good governance and transparency, including how to improve basic infrastructure, is a priority for the new government to ensure economic sustainability.
- Public knowledge of the advantages and disadvantages of blue economy investment in Timor-Leste, and the opportunities for advancing it.

Program Activities

For this whole period, La'o Hamutuk kept monitoring, analyzing and responding to draft laws and policies relevant to the 2022, 2023 and 2024 State budget processes, the 2023 Parliamentary Elections, the Barossa project for Bayu Undan Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) including the proposed Darwin Pipeline Duplication Project², Greater Sunrise (GS) and the implementation of environmental licensing, public consultation and compensation for people displaced by major projects.

Many organizations and individuals, including Government agencies, continue to rely on La'o Hamutuk as a source of independent, factual information. Dozens of local and international researchers, NGOs, academics and development partners sought our perspective and expertise on

https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/Project/Bayu/CCS/230628Lao%20Hamutuk%20submission to%20NTEPA%20on%20Darwin%20Pipeline%20Duplication%20Project.pdf

Timor-Leste's economic and social context. We provided several requested briefings for incoming international staff and diplomats, and responded to requests for consultations, as well as initiating strategic meetings with decision makers in various Ministries. This included meetings with:

- The World Bank team to discuss the tourism sector, and how to increase investment in the tourism sector in TL, based on the state budget allocation, including the best way to develop a tourism development investment in TL.
- ➤ The Ambassador of European Union to discuss EU interventions so far, and what is most important the EU could help to strengthen CSO in the coming years.
- The EU International Observer to discuss what's trending in this year's parliamentary elections, and what's sparking political concern.
- ➤ The UK Embassy representative (three times) to discuss political, economic, social, and political issues and the development process in Timor-Leste. The UK embassy has plans to work with the government and CSOs in TL.
- The French Embassy to discuss climate change, the fiscal cliff, and economic issue and the alternatives to respond to those issues facing TL.
- Santos Australian oil company about their plan to bring the Bayu-Undan floating platform to Tibar port for decommissioning. The discussion covered environmental issues, risks, and benefits for TL.
- ➤ Tebedai Solution Consultants, about their study on the environmental license for cleaning FSO to the Tibar Port. We discuss the impact of toxic waste on the community nearby Tibar Port.
- ➤ USAID representative to discuss how to strengthen Civil Society advocacy in TL, in terms of CSOs so far supported by USAID project.
- International academic researcher to address crimes committed as part of the Indonesian occupation, and the development of a justice system to respond to thus far unresolved issues.

For all the activities have produced broadcast one radio program,³ on the 2023 Parliamentary Election *Sidadaun sira nia Lian, Esperansa no Rekomendasaun ba Parlamentu no Governu foun* which we distributed to radio stations in seven municipalities. We published a blog article⁴ about "*The potential, challenges and risk of developing the blue economy in Timor-Leste*".

La'o Hamutuk's work on this project relates to long term change among decision makers, and it is frequently difficult to quantify impact or beneficiaries.

We published often to our website (www.laohamutuk.org) and continued to add new information to our reference page.⁵ Major new pages or updates published in the first half of 2023 include:

- > Created a new webpage for the 2023 Parliamentary Election⁶
- > Created a new webpage for the 2024 State Budget⁷
- Created a new webpage on the proposed Climate Change Law⁸

^{3 &}lt;u>https://www.laohamutuk.org/media/radio.htm</u>

⁴ https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2023/04/the-potential-challenges-and-risks-of.html

⁵ https://www.laohamutuk.org/DVD/DVDIndexEn.htm

https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2023/ParlElec/23ParlElec.htm

⁷ https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OGE24/230GE24.htm

⁸ https://www.laohamutuk.org/Env/Climate/2023/23ClimateChangeLaw.htm

Regular updates with new materials to our pages on the 2023 State Budget⁹, Petroleum projects¹⁰, the Millennium Challenge Corporation in Timor-Leste¹¹, the Petroleum Fund¹², environmental licensing¹³ and many others.

During the first half of 2023, people accessed our web pages an average of 21,982 times every day, 5% more than during the same portion of 2022. Many of our webpages and articles are reposted on online journals, blogs and other media, so our actual readership is even larger. 28,441 people viewed pages on our blog during the six-month period.

A total of 155 people attended the four public meetings we held across four administrative posts (municipalities). 141 people attended the national seminar, and 28 people attended media and observer briefing we held in Dili over this period. In total 324 people attended a public meeting, national seminar or briefing organized by La'o Hamutuk.

Analysis, Monitoring and Research

State Budget, Economy and Fiscal Sustainability

We have observed an ongoing need for research, analysis, and advocacy on issues of governance and rights in Timor-Leste. The results of the Parliamentary election indicate that transparency and public participation in development process have only slightly improved.

We observe that media still have limited capacity to understand and report accurately on the budget, transparency, and other key issues. This is important because good media coverage helps improve public participation in governance. We organized a media briefing for journalists on issues in the Parliamentary Election. The large number of people who visit our website and blog indicates that our work is still widely used and referred to, and is a useful contribution to public dialogue in Timor-Leste.

Our analysis of State Budget allocations shows some progress in good governance. Decision makers are increasingly discussing issues such as the fiscal cliff, which will drastically impact the lives of the people. However, the Government's actions are not always consistent with their public statements. La'o Hamutuk has successfully worked to increase awareness among decision makers about these key issues, but that work needs to continue to ensure that this translates into action when the new government takes office.

In our 2022 Annual Report, we noted that many people value research, analysis, and advocacy on governance and rights. There is strong demand outside the capital for greater knowledge about the budget process and how to participate as active citizens in budget advocacy. In response, during this activity period we increased our activities in the sub-districts and received positive responses from participants in our public meetings. As we have learned from previous capacity-building activities, there needs to be ongoing engagement with these communities. Attempts to empower and increase the capacity of communities often fail when they are not part of a medium or long-term engagement plan. Therefore, there is an ongoing need for activities in municipalities outside of Dili.

We conducted a desk research project which showed that many of the Government's existing mechanisms for transparency are not functioning well. The results of this research open up a new opportunity for advocacy and monitoring in the future.

As the result of our work as the local research partner of the International Budget Partnership's Open Budget Survey, we continued to communicate the research findings on levels of transparency, public

⁹ https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OJE23/22OGE23.htm

¹⁰ https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/PSCs/10PSCs.htm

¹¹ https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/MCC/10MCC.htm

 $^{^{12} \}quad https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/PetFund/05PFIndex.htm$

¹³ https://www.laohamutuk.org/Env/18EnvRegistry.htm

participation, and oversight in Timor-Leste's budget process. We created a short video¹⁴ on this, as well as briefing new Anti-Corruption Commission staff on results of the Open Budget Survey.

Petroleum Activities

We continued to monitor and analyze developments related to the Greater Sunrise (GS) project, proposed Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) project at Bayu-Undan and decommissioning and cleaning of the processing ship (FSO) used at Bayu-Undan in Tibar port by Santos, and onshore exploratory drilling in Suai by the Timor Resources company. We aimed to ensure that the public is informed and that the decision-making process responds to climate change and lack of economic diversification.

We also presented on the CCS project at the second phase of the Follow the Money Training Course for Southeast Asian Corporate Accountability Advocates¹⁵ in Bangkok, Thailand. This training helped us research and analyze the financial interests behind this project -- companies, investors, customers and other influential actors.

We had a workshop with environmental expert Ms. Lee Tan, organized by Oxfam, to explain about the contaminants in petroleum products that could affect the human and environment if they are released into the sea when a vessel is cleaned or an offshore field is decommissioned.

We met with the President of the National Petroleum and Minerals Authority (ANPM) to discuss onshore and offshore petroleum activities, including Greater Sunrise, cooperation between TimorGAP and Timor Resources, the CCS project, remaining Bayu-Undan production and decommissioning, the status of contracting for five new areas, Pualaka, and other issues. We also met with Minister of Petroleum and Minerals and his team, Greater Sunrise Commissioner Cristina da Costa Ribeiro, and the President of TimorGAP.

We engaged regularly with international and local journalists to try to improve their coverage of petroleum issues in Timor-Leste. We were consulted by Santos and Tebedai Solution on the FSO cleaning plan.

Since all the above projects are ongoing, we continue to research, discuss and evaluate their impacts on the environment and climate change with relevant institutions including Environmental authorities (ANLA) and Australian environmental and policy organizations.

Governance and Human Rights

Timor-Leste held Parliamentary elections in May 2023, and we monitored the process and promoted substantive discussion of critical issues facing Timor-Leste. This has been an opportunity to strategically advocate on governance and human rights, and to help the public participate as active citizens in the election process.

Therefore, in March, we conducted four public meetings on economic, politic and social issue in Laclo (Manatuto municipality), Baguia (Baucau municipality), Ermera, and Aileu municipalities. To facilitate our activities, we also provided handouts of materials we presented, including *Surat Popular* and *Bulletins*. We also distributed questionnaires¹⁶ to all political parties participating in the parliamentary election, to know the policies of each party to respond to the economic, social, and justice problems currently facing Timor-Leste. We produced a radio program¹⁷ on the 2023 Parliament election. We organized a national seminar¹⁸ and TV talk show¹⁹ in Dili to discuss

 $^{^{14}\} https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/trans/OBS21/22070bsMedium.mp4$

¹⁵ https://www.laohamutuk.org/Env/Climate/221213CCS-FTMen.pps

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¹⁷ https://www.laohamutuk.org/media/radio.htm

¹⁸ https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2023/04/seminariu-nasional-dezenvolvimentu.html

¹⁹ https://www.youtube.com/live/8JzWFJcLpm4?feature=share

Alternatives Development After Oil to encourage politicians to address this important issue during the campaign. We produced brochures²⁰ and distributed them to the seminar participants, and the public. We provided the results of LH research and questionnaires to the National Elections Commission (CNE) to be included in the political party debate. We organized a Media Briefing to national journalists and another for groups representing people with disabilities. The 18 participants included seven men and 11 women.

We also briefed²¹ AVEOM international election observers, six men and four women. AVEOM is the electoral observation mission of the Australia East Timor Association in cooperation with Victoria University and the VU Alumni Association. We published a report²² on our observations about the Parliamentary election to help strengthen the future electoral process. We created a web page on the 2023 Parliament Election²³ with comprehensive information on the election laws, process and results.

In addition, we analyzed draft laws and policies relevant to the key issues discussed in this report, published our analysis and recommendations, and facilitated discussion among civil society and others, including on initial planning for the 2024 general state budget.

We wrote a submission to the Australian Parliament on a proposed bilateral Status of (military) Forces agreement.²⁴

We regularly facilitate and/or participate in regular meetings of relevant civil society networks, to strengthen advocacy. LH participated in PN-BESI.TL (Water and Sanitation Network) regular meetings to help them analyze the state budget.

LH also participated in the UADU (Unidade Assesoria Direitu Umanus) regular meetings to share updates about human rights issues, including violence perpetrated by government officials such as F-FDTL (military), PNTL (police) and civil security.

We consider the rights and experiences of marginalized groups including women and people with disabilities across our research and analysis. Our observers during parliament election process considered equity and benefits for more vulnerable communities.

Agriculture, Land and Environment

We continued to monitor and research for the potential, challenges and risk of developing the blue economy in Timor-Leste. We were invited by UNDP to present the civil society perspectives on the blue economy diversification, which we published in our blog²⁵. We also keep monitoring the Cesta Bázika "basics basket" program which distributes food and other necessities to the population, and was introduced by the Government in 2020 and extended in 2022 to try to address the economic impacts of the pandemic and lockdowns. In April and June we met with officials from the Secretary of State for Cooperatives, the Ministry of Tourism, Commerce, and Industry to better understand if and how the program will support local agricultural production, and to lobby for greater engagement of local producers.

When we presented on the urgency of economic diversification in Timor-Leste, we highlighted the importance of agriculture as a productive sector which can supply domestic necessities and reduce the need for imports.

²⁰ https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2023/ParlElec/230411LHBroxuraEleisaun.pdf

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²² https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2023/ParlElec/obs/230628LHRelatoriuObservasaunElPar2023-2028te.pdf

²³ https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2023/ParlElec/23ParlElec.htm

²⁴ https://www.laohamutuk.org/Justice/2023/LHSubAustPNenquiry11Apr2023en.pdf

²⁵ https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2023/04/potensia-dezafiu-no-risku.html

LH participated in Rede ba Rai (Land Rights Network) regular meetings to share and update information and encourage the Ministry of Justice to finalize the draft of complementary land laws and resolve the land issue.

Our work on land and environment overlapped with the research activities discussed in the above section on Petroleum Activities. In addition to the research activities -- which explored how well public consultation and compensation is implemented and the community perspectives on the impacts of petroleum activities on their local environment -- we organized public workshops in Suai and Same to discuss climate change (and its effects on agricultural production) and land rights.

We continued to work to increase public awareness of climate change and climate justice. We consistently monitored activities of the government and other decision-makers, as well as information on their websites and consultations related to the draft law of climate change,²⁶ and are developing testimony to be submitted if the incoming government continues this legislative process.

We continued to update our register of environmental licensing²⁷ and monitored implementation of environmental licensing, public consultation and compensation in relation to major projects, especially through our ongoing research relating to onshore oil exploration in Suai.

La'o Hamutuk Networks

To broaden and strengthen our research, public education and advocacy, La'o Hamutuk participates in several civil society networks, including:

Timor-Leste Networks

- Rede ba Rai (Land Network)
- ➤ HASATIL (Sustainable Agriculture Network)
- Core Group on Transparency (CGT)
- ➤ FONGTIL (Timor-Leste NGO Forum)
- ➤ MKOTT (Movement Against the Occupation of the Timor Sea)
- > Human Rights Defenders Network

International Networks

- International Budget Partnership
- Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI)
- > International solidarity and human rights organizations, especially ETAN
- ➤ Timor-Leste Studies Association (TLSA)
- > OilWatch (especially Southeast Asia)
- > Publish What You Pay (PWYP)

We work with several civil society groups in Australia to share information on the Bernard Collaery case and on the proposed CCS project at Bayu Undan. We also serve on the Steering Committee for USAID's NGO Advocacy for Good Governance program.

Organizational Report

La'o Hamutuk has seven researchers: Celestino Gusmão, Charles Scheiner (part-time from New York), Eliziaria Febe Gomes, Jonathan Gonsalves, Mariano Ferreira, Marta da Silva and Elizabeth da Silva. Our Finance Officer is Ricarda Martins, and Assistant in Finance and Administration is Martinha Fernandes. We also have three security employees and one cleaner. In the first half of 2023, we hired a new Finance Assistant. We plan to recruit one new national and one new international staff in the next year.

https://www.laohamutuk.org/Env/Climate/2023/23ClimateChangeLaw.htm

²⁷ https://www.laohamutuk.org/Env/18EnvRegistry.htm

Appendix 1. Financial Report

This Mid-Year Report is being written before the end of the 2023 financial year. The figures below are preliminary and may differ from the final version in our Annual Report. All amounts are in U.S. dollars.

During the first half of 2023, we continued to receive project funding from Misereor of \$41,604. We also received general support funding from Yayasan Humanis dan Inovasi Social - HIVOS (\$33,722), and the Comité Catholique Contre la Faim et Pour le Développement – CCFD (\$42,705). In addition, La'o Hamutuk earned \$500 by providing briefings and received some donations from individual supporters.

A more comprehensive balance sheet will be included in our Annual Report.

	Cash & bank balances	General support donors	Project donors (Misereor)	Reserve funds
Balance 31 Dec 2022	101,964	41,471	-24,231	81,361
Income Jan-June 2023	118,691	76,427	41,612	652
Expenses Jan-June 2023	79,688	28,562	51,105	21
Balance 30 June 2023	140,967	89,336	-33,724	81,992

Revenues received during the first half of 2023

Source	Budget 2023	Half Budget	Actual received	Difference	Explanation
Norway/HIVOS grant	50,000	25,000	33,722	8,722	We received most of the year's funding in the first half-year.
CCFD grant	39,000	19,500	42,705	23,205	Support for all of 2023
The Asia Foundation grant	10,000	5,000	0	-5,000	We haven't yet received grant for 2023
Misereor project grant	110,100	55,050	41,604	-13,466	Support through half year 2023
International Budget Partnership	8,500	4,250	0	-4,250	We haven't received payment for 2023
Earned for services	4,500	2,250	500	-1,750	Payments for LH briefings for AVI
Donations and sales	500	250	160	-90	Donations from friends of La'o Hamutuk
Total	222,600	111,300	118,691	7,391	

Expenditures during the first half of 2023

Category	Budget for half year 2023	Actual	Difference	Explanation
I Non-recurrent expendit	ure			
IT Equipment	800	2614	(1,814)	Two new laptops and one computer set for new staff
Office maintenance	2,500	186	2,314	
Office furniture	175	0	175	
II Staff costs				
Personnel	84,443	59,127	25,316	Salaries, wages, Social Security taxes and health insurance
Training for Staff	1,500	1,155	345	Two staff took FTMSEA training and Accounting System Course
III Project activities				
Bulletin	800	439	361	Printing and distribution of Surat Popular and brochure
Public Meeting	2,990	5,549	-2,559	Meetings about voter awareness in five municipalities
Radio Program	840	1,365	-525	Produce Radio Program and TV talk show about Elections
Research	2,500	540	1,960	Most research will be conduct in second half of year
Resource Center	500	301	199	Books, newspaper subscriptions, videos and other materials
Publications	150	0	150	
International Conference	750	250	500	Attend APPEA conference in Adelaide, Australia
To be reimbursed	0	(2,770)	2,770	To reimburse expenses on flight, visa and some expenses on visa and hotel for FTM workshop in Thailand
IV Project administration				
Operations & Supplies	2,398	2,757	-359	
Office Rent	5,250	5,100	150	
Transportation	289	155	134	
Telephone and Internet	2,629	2,208	421	
Audit	3,750	0	3,750	Audits for Misereor Project, General support and HIVOS are not yet completed
Miscellaneous Expenses	287	713	-426	Contributions for MKOTT
Total	112,551	79,688	32,862	

Appendix 2. Media Mentions of La'o Hamutuk

Date	Title	Medium	URL/Page	Comment
11, 13, 23 Jan	DEZENVOLVIMENTU SUSTENTÁVEL: Ba Kompreende Polítika Husi MCC iha Nasaun Terseiru Mundu: Estudu Kazu Kona-ba Nepal no Timor-Leste	Tatoli	Three-part article. The last one is at https://tatoli.tl/2023/01/23/parte-iii-parte-ii-dezenvolvimentu-sustentavelba-kompreende-politika-husi-mcc-ihanasaun-terseiru-mundu-estudu-kazu-kona-ba-nepal-no-timor-leste/	Many references to LH work
20 Jan	Agrikultura, Rai no ekonomia husu Estadu diskute ho Indonesia hodi buka solusaun ba planu konstrusaun irigasaun Maliana 2	RTTL ON LINE	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=He 5aTzql0zc&t=1758	Interviewed Mariano Ferreira
23 Jan	Sosiedade Sivil Nia Envolvimentu Iha Area Politika Fiskál no Diversifikasaun Ekonomia	RTTL ON LINE	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xV gUB7X5stU	Interviewed Febe Gomes
06 Feb	TL nia ekonomia dadaun nee iha ona perigu nia laran tanba riku soin Timor liu- liu mina iha kampu Bayu Undan maran maibé to agora setór produtivu seluk seidauk bele sustenta Nasaun	GMN-TV	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qD T7z_2ald8?t=1231	Interviewed Celestino Gusmão
08 Feb	Bayu Undan maran sei implika fator ha'at iha FP	Jornal Diáriu	3	Interviewed Celestino Gusmão
09 Feb	Tuir dadus husi Organizasaun Naun Governmental Lao Hamutuk hatudu reseita petrolíferu ne'ebé mai husi Bayu Undan Governu uza ona Biliaun 15 ba orsamentu Estadu ne'ebé kada tinan PN diskute no aprova Finansia mákina Estadu	GMNTV Streaming	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ab BMkA4ksuk?t=824	Interviewed Celestino Gusmão
27 Feb	Oinsá Estatutu Greater Sunrise Too Oras Ne'e	GMNTV Streaming	https://www.youtube.com/live/MynezB G9l3l?feature=share	Interviewed Celestino Gusmão
28 Feb	Greater Sunrise and sustainability of the Petroleum Fund	GMN-TV Grande Entrevista	https://youtu.be/MynezBG9I3I?t=40	Atino is panelist
02 Mar	Kompania Tenke Iha Seriedade Kaer Projetu	Timor Post	11	Interviewed Marta da Silva
09 Mar	Portal de Transparencia do Orcamento completa mais de dois meses for a do ar	J. Diario	12	Interviewed Celestino Gusmão
10 Mar	Governu Tenke Implementa Lei Protesaun Ba Animal Protezidu	Indepen- dente		Interviewed Mariano Ferreira
10 Mar	LH: Ekonomikamente TL seidauk bele kompete ho nasaun seluk	J. Diario	6	Interviewed Febe Gomes
10 Mar	Sustentabilidade Fundu Petrolíferu	Tatoli-TV Hakat ba Uma Fukun	https://www.facebook.com/TATOLI.IP/v ideos/2440803929421421/?mibextid=N nVzG8	Atino panelist on TV talk show
12 Mar	TL must spend its petroleum fund wisely before it runs out	Tatoli	https://en.tatoli.tl/2023/03/12/tl-must- spend-its-petroleum-fund-wisely- before-it-runs-out/20/	Based on Tatoli TV show
13 Mar	Lao Hamutuk vislumbre do fim do petroleo aconselha investimentos em setores produtivos	Tatoli	https://pt.tatoli.tl/2023/03/13/lao- hamutuk-vislumbre-do-fim-do-petroleo- aconselha-investimentos-em-setores- produtivos	Interviewed Celestino Gusmão
22 Mar	La'o Hamutuk Avalia Sistema Produsaun Agrikola Husi MAP FAILA	RTTL.EP - Gazeta Ás 7	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qV Ad-LHzvxI	Interviewed Mariano Ferreira
03 Apr	Sistema EDTL Error, MTK mos fo sala Internet	Indepen- dente	4	Interviewed Marta da Silva
03 Apr	Tinan 12 Ezistensia Jornal INDEPENDENTE, "Susesu Halo Ukun-nain Tuur La Hakmatek"	Indepen- dente	1&7	Interviewed Marta da Silva
4 Apr	TL Hakat ba Votasaun	Ko'alia Ba Ha'u Online video	https://fb.watch/jHDaCgOazP/?mibexti d=cr9u03	Includes interview with Febe about resource curse

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14 Apr	Lao Hamutuk: Governu Tenke Investe iha Setor Produtivu, La'os Bola-Guling no Futu- Manu	Neon Metin	https://neonmetin.info/buletin/2023/0 4/14/lao-hamutuk-governu-tenke- investe-iha-setor-produtivu-laos-bola- guling-no-futu-manu/	Based on Marta's presentation
14 Apr	Lao Hamutuk ho Oxfam organiza media briefing ba jornalista sira hodi hanoin kritiku ba problema nasional	Neon Metin	https://neonmetin.info/buletin/2023/0 4/14/lao-hamutuk-ho-oxfam-organiza- media-briefing-ba-jornalista-sira-hodi- hanoin-kritiku-ba-problema-nasional/	Interviewed Marta da Silva
25 Apr	Dezenvolvimentu Alternativo Hafoin Mina	Timor Post TV	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oZ zpYsIVV9s	BAINAKA ESPESIÁL- Febe Gomes
25 Apr	Rendimentu Nasaun La Depende De'it Petróleu	Timor Post Online	https://timorpost.com/ekonomia/tp- 33818/rendimentu-nasaun-la-depende- deit-petroleu/	Summary of Lully's presentation at national seminar
26 Apr	Sosiedade Sivíl husi partidu sira at labele bosok ba públiku durante kampaña	GMN TV news	https://youtu.be/Xqd77CW8Z8M?t=143 6	Febe asks parties not to lie to the people
26 Apr	ONG La'o hamutuk identifika situasaun Timor-Leste Gráve	GMN TV	https://youtu.be/8 RiyAGOt5w?t=788	Coverage of LH National Seminar, interviews Febe
3 May	Poténsia, dezafiu no risku dezenvolvimentu Ekonomia Azul iha Timor-Leste	Tatoli	https://tatoli.tl/2023/05/03/ekonomia- azul/	Article by Mariano
3 May	Poténsia, dezafiu no risku dezenvolvimentu Ekonomia Azul iha Timor-Leste	G-RTV News	https://g-rtv.com/blog/potensia- dezafiu-no-risku-dezenvolvimentu- ekonomia-azul-iha-timor- leste/4367/notisia/	Article by Mariano
04 May	Potensia, Dezafiu no Risku Dezenvolvimentu Ekonomia Azul iha Timor- Leste	Timor Post	7	Article by La'o Hamutuk
04 May	Potensia, Dezafiu no Risku Dezenvolvimentu Ekonomia Azul iha Timor- Leste	Indepen- dente	8	Article by La'o Hamutuk
05 May	Alternativa Dezenvolvimentu Hafoin Mina Ho Objetivu	RTTL.EP - ITA NIA BAINAKA	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Jz WFJcLpm4	ITA NIA BAINAKA Organized by La'o Hamutuk
5 May	LH hatete Governu foun tenke iha estratéjia di'ak	GMN TV Jornal Nacional	https://youtu.be/pQNX3Y-mdWU?t=22	Interviews Marta on sustainability for the people
11 May	Sosiedade Sivíl sujere atu halo estudu kle'an kona-ba TL halo moeda rasik	GMNTV Streaming	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tjk OaChUsoI?t=828	Interviewed Mariano Ferreira
15 May	Governu foun presiza estratéjia di'ak hodi halo dezenvolvimentu ne'ebé sustentavel ba povu	Jornal Nacional	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pQ NX3Y-mdWU	Interviewed Marta da Silva
16 May	PN Apresia ba Estadu Timor-Leste tanba rekoñese Advogadu Australianu Ne'ebé Defende Timor Leste nia luta ba Delimitasaun Fronteira Maritima (Advogadu Bernard Collaery)	RTTL.EP - Gazeta Às 24	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CS 4xXrjGSp0	Interviewed Celestino Gusmao
18 May	Advogadu Australia Bernard Collaery Sei Simu Kondekorasaun	Indepen- dente		Quotes Celestino
18 May	Foto Atuál: Bernard Collaery iha ona Timor- Leste	Tatoli	https://tatoli.tl/2023/05/18/foto-atual- bernard-collaery-iha-ona-timor- leste/#jp-carousel-277732	Photo of Celestino named as MKOTT spokesperson
18 May	Timor-Leste welcomes Bernard Collaery	Tatoli	https://en.tatoli.tl/2023/05/18/tl-welcomes-bernard-collaery-in-dili/13/	Quotes Celestino as MKOTT spokesperson
19 May	'We've lost 20 years': The future of Asia's youngest nation hinges on a multibillion-dollar payday	Sydney Morning Herald and other papers	https://www.watoday.com.au/world/as ia/we-ve-lost-20-years-the-future-of- asia-s-youngest-nation-hinges-on-a-67- billion-payday-20230504-p5d5qe.html	Quotes Marta on Sunrise

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26 May	Gas decisions loom for Timor-Leste after election	Green Left	https://www.greenleft.org.au/content/ gas-decisions-loom-timor-leste-after- election	Cites LH on importance of Petroleum Fund
28 May	Oinsá preparasaun Timor-Leste atu tama iha ASEAN?	Jornal Nacional	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vh N5VtXwKnI?t=1033	Interviewed Mariano Ferreira
30 May	Sosiedade Sivíl konsidera Ministériu Justisa laiha kapasidade atu resolve problema pasaporte ba pasiente ba rai li'ur atu hetan tratamentu	Jornal	https://youtu.be/PvDLBk_q700?t=1864	Interviews Marta about passports
31 May	LH Husu Governu Foun Dezenvolve Prizaun Sira Ho Di'ak	Indepen- dente	3	Interviewed Marta da Silva
31 May	LH: MJ Inkapasidade Rezolve Kaderneta Pasaporte	Indepen- dente	5	Interviewed Marta da Silva
31 May	Finansiamentu estadu iha perigu nia laran tanba governu defende de'it ba fundu petrolíferu	Jornal Nacional	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JM UqngEK8UY?t=1508	Interviewed Febe Gomes
31 May	Tuir dadus husi ONG La'o Hamutuk TL importa sasán ho valor kuaze tokon atus lima	Jornal Nacional	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JM UqngEK8UY?t=1731	Interviewed Celestino Gusmao
31 May	Política Nacional dos Oceanos de Timor- Leste	Gov't Res. 27/2023	https://www.mj.gov.tl/jornal/public/docs/2023/serie_1/SERIE%20I%20N.%202 0%20SUPLEMENTO%20I.pdf	Cites LH information
04 Jun	Númeru importasaun sa'e maka'as tanba setór produtivu abandonadu	Jornal Nacional	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e7 soy10ySXg	Interviewed Mariano Ferreira
05 Jun	Podcast Hamutuk Ho Celestino Gusmao Hanesan Koordenadór Lao Hamutuk	STL Podcast Episode 28 (2023)	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oc Tz26PrTKg	Interviewed Celestino Gusmao
7 Jun	Censo de 2022: Problemas estruturais crescem com aumento da população, mas políticas públicas continuam estagnadas	Diligente	https://www.diligenteonline.com/censo -de-2022-problemas-estruturais- crescem-com-aumento-da-populacao- mas-politicas-publicas-continuam- estagnadas/	Quotes Atino on going population needing more services
09 Jun	Investir no setor agricola pode ser o caminho para resolver problemas estruturais de Timor-Leste	GMN	12	Interviewed Celestino Gusmao
09 Jun	Governu Foun Tenke Aprova Estatutu Guarda Prizional	Indepen- dente	2	Interviewed Marta da Silva
12 Jun	Oinsá Korrupsaun destroi Ambiente: Komprende Estudu Kazu kona-ba Korrupsaun Verde	Tatoli	https://tatoli.tl/2023/06/12/oinsa- korrupsaun-destroi-ambiente- komprende-estudu-kazu-kona-ba- korrupsaun-verde/	Cites LH information twice
27 Jun	In Timor-Leste, China chips away at Australian influence	The China Project	https://thechinaproject.com/2023/06/2 7/in-timor-leste-china-chips-away-at- australian-influence/	Cites LH information
27 Jun	LH husu MAKE Prepara Relatoriu Programa Sesta Basika Ba Governu Foun	Indepen- dente	4	Interviewed Mariano Ferreira
27 Jun	Ezekusaun OJE Porsentu Ki'ik di'ak Liu	Timor Post	9	Interviewed Celestino Gusmao

Appendix 3. Presentations and Programs by La'o Hamutuk

Most of these presentations are available from https://www.laohamutuk.org/pres.htm

Below are the events done by La'o Hamutuk staff during the reporting period as we regularly updated our "Rights and Sustainability" overview presentation²⁸ and showed it to several audiences.

Topic	Date	Speaker(s)	Event
Feto nia direitu ba rai no asesu ba prosesu rejistrasaun rai	Jan.	Mariano	Training for public, organized by Oxfam and Tahan, Dili
Rights and Sustainability	Feb.	Elizabeth & Marta	Presented to Australian Volunteers International (AVI) in Dili
Ekonomia Azul (Blue Economy)	March	Mariano	Round Table Discussion on Entrepreneurship as a Driver for Blue Economy organized by MTCI, Dili
Timor-Leste Presiza Foti Desizaun ba Ekonomia Sustentavel	March	Febe	Conference UNTL: Um Timor-Leste sem Petróleo: Como ser Sustentável, Hera
Dependénsia ba Fundu Petróleo no Alternativa	March	Yonatan, Marta, Elizabeth, Celestino, Mariano, Martinha	Public meeting with community in municipalities (Laclo-Manatuto Baguia-Baucau, Ermera, and Aileu)
Dezenvolvimentu Alternativa Hafoin Mina - Programa Televizaun RTTL kona-ba tópiku hanesan.	April	Febe	National Seminar with public in Dili
Media Briefing about the Social issues and Problems before 2023 Parliamentary Election	April	Marta & Febe	Presented to National Journalists and Timor-Leste Disability Association (ADTL)
Key issues for the new government to address	May	Marta & Febe	International election observer delegations
Observer Briefing about the social issues and problems before 2023 Parliamentary Election	May	Marta, Mariano, Elizabeth	Presented to AVEOM (Australia East Timor Association and Victoria University Election Observer Mission)
TV talk show "Dezenvolvimentu Alternativa Hafoin Mina"	May	Yonatan & Marta	Live talk show on RTTL. Presented by Prezidente AEMTL, academics and LH

 $^{^{28} \}quad https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/briefing/RightSustainCurrentEn.pdf$