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Successful example of collaboration on social protection in Myanmar

YANGON (ILO News): The ILO hosted a round table on Friday, 10 July 2015 in Yangon to share the experience of successful collaboration with the World Food Programme (WFP) and the World Bank on coordinating methodologies to support the expansion of social protection in Myanmar.

The meeting follows a successful 18-month collaboration between the ILO, World Food Programme (WFP) and the World Bank to gather data and nurture a multi-stakeholder dialogue related to the expansion of social protection in Myanmar. The collaboration consisted in combining the United Nations' social protection Assessment-Based National Dialogue (ABND) and the World Bank Social Protection Assessment (SPA) methodologies.

The round table was informed by a panel comprising representatives from the WFP and World Bank as well as representatives from the Myanmar Development Resources Institute and Save the Children. The discussions focused on how the tools and evidence generated by the ABND and SPA can shape future activities and promote synergies among agencies to support social protection.

This successful collaboration comes soon after the launch, in June 2015, of the joint ILO-World Bank mission and plan of action towards universal social protection. In Myanmar this initiative contributes directly to the medium-term goal of supporting countries in moving towards providing universal social protection coverage, to ensure that “no one is left behind” (as was said in a joint statement by ILO Director-General Guy Ryder and World Bank Group President Jim Yong Kim).

For further information on the event please visit: myanmar.social-protection.org or contact: yangon@ilo.org

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