YOUTH VOICE NOW! YOUNG PEOPLE AND CHILDREN WORKING TOGETHER

Children advocating, mobilizing, raising awareness, informing and communicating.

Asia and the Pacific: Indonesia

"In addition to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are also facing an infodemic — the spread of dangerous misinformation on social media — and many have been working to fight it as well. In March 2020, seven youth facilitators from Jakarta, Indonesia learned the key components of the "Youth Voice Now!" module to adapt their existing youth forum activities to the situation brought on by COVID-19, as once social distancing regulations were established, these youth were unable to leave their homes. They prefaced these new activities with an online and mobile survey on COVID-19 to get a sense of the knowledge, perception, and attitude surrounding COVID-19 among youth, and to better understand their learning from home experiences. It targeted children and youth from ages 10–24. After reviewing the results, the youth group worked with community-based child protection experts to disseminate key and accurate information on hygiene and sanitization during the COVID-19, including handwashing and mask-wearing norms. Some youth also participated in a village disinfectant group that disinfected public facilities and provided support for children's activities in their village areas."

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