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Bisan Participates In The Youth Conference About Climate Justice And Social Justice:

Bisan participated in the conference that was arranged on October 30 in Ramallah where it was represented by the executive director who presented a paper on behalf of Bisan. The paper highlighted the connection between climate justice and social justice as two fields that require social and political struggle against the capitalism and neoliberalism systems as the reasons behind destruction of the globe. These systems lead to impoverishment and embodying the colonialism relations. The conference witnessed open discussion about the right applied tendency and developing policies and actions and criticizing the applied policies that lead to climate and social injustice. The executive director of Bisan participated in the opening session of the conference as a representative of the Palestinian coalition for climate justice.

Bisan Receives A Brazilian Youth Delegation From Peasants Without Land Movement:

The delegation was introduced to Bisan and its fields of work as well as opening discussion about the world colonialism systems and the policies that lead to increase poverty among people. The participants in the discussion agreed that the policies of the colonialism powers are the reason behind the poverty and lack of development that people all over the world face. It was clear that there are common issues among Bisan and the visiting delegation where it was agreed to continue communication in the future and develop the bilateral relations.

Bisan Honors The Employees Of Cleaning And Health Department In Arraba Municipality:

Within Partnership for Development Program, the Syndicalism Scope in cooperation with Khuttwa Center/ Arraba- Jenin, conducted an honoring ceremony for the cleaning and health department employees in Arraba Municipality. The ceremony was arranged on 20/10/2016 in Martyr Abu Ali Hall inside the municipality building.

The ceremony was opened by a speech from the acting mayor, Mr. Adnan Mousa, who welcomed the attendants. After that, a raising awareness session facilitated by Mr. Sameer Mattar (Representative of Labor Front Bloc) about work safety and labors rights. By the end of the activity, overall costumes were distributed among the cleaning and health workers to protect

them against cold and guarantee safety during work

The coordinator of the Syndicalism Scope within Partnership for Development, Ms. Iman abu Salah conducted an open workshop on 25/10/2016. The workshop was attended by representatives of trade unions and syndicates blocs with the participation of youth groups from the various CBOs targeted by the program. The workshop witnessed discussing the draft law of organizing syndicates and trade unions in Palestine where recommendations to develop the performance of syndicates and trade unions in a democratic sphere were concluded by the end of the workshop.



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On a related level, the syndicalism scope within Partnership for Development Program, arranged round table discussion with the participation of the representatives of trade unions and members of Palestinian syndicates. The round table discussed the social security law and the arguing that accompanied issuing it during the previous months and the social activeness that demanded endorsing some amendments within the mentioned law

to respond to the accurate needs of workers where the decision makers responded positively to some of these demands. The discussion, on the other hand, tackled the drafted law of syndicalism organization where a group of recommendations was presented in order to highlight the importance of organizing workers in trade unions and syndicates as well as enhancing the performance of these entities in serving workers. On a related level, Awda Center, in cooperation with the program, conducted a workshop on 27/10 about the Palestinian Labor Law with the attendance of approximately sixty worker women.

**Lobbying And Advocacy Scope With Partnership For
Development Program Launches The Campaign:
“Olive: Symbol Of Steadfastness”**



The campaign started on Friday 14th, October 2016 in Shoufa and Kufur el- Lbbad Villages in Tulkarem for duration of seven days. The participants contributed in picking olive from the lands threatened by appropriation especially those close to the Israeli settlements in order to support Palestinian farmers and enhance their resilience. The activities of the campaign were extended to cover other governorates including Nablus, Jenin, Salfeet, Hebron, and Ramallah.

**Capacity Building Scope Within Partnership For
Development Program Launches
The Competition For The Best Short Movie 2016:**

The Partnership for Development Program, through the capacity building scope, launched a competition for the best short movie of 2016 targeting the youth and volunteers of the partner CBOs alongside with other youth groups and students.

A special committee of journalists and experts in the field will evaluate the presented films where three awards will be granted to the three films that gain the first three ranks during the closing ceremony of the current phase of the program.

The capacity building scope conducted also two training courses about producing short movies and preparing research papers towards the beginning of October. The training courses achieved the planned results and contributed in improving the capacity and performance of the participants.

Juthoor Project Arranges Field Visit To Beit Ummar Cooperative:

Within the activities of the project Juthoor: Land, Water and Human Resources' Development in Vulnerable Areas of the West Bank, implemented in partnership with several national organizations, Bisan arranged a field visit to Beit Ummar Cooperative. The visit was arranged following a series of training courses conducted for the members in the field of advocacy as well as technical training in finance and preparing strategic and marketing plans. On a related level, Bisan is conducting currently a research about the status of the rural areas in in south Bethlehem and north Hebron that is expected to be published by the beginning of 2017.

Raqaba: Enhancing The Role Of The Community In Promoting Access To Justice Arranges Raising Awareness Workshops:

Several raising awareness workshops in Anata- Jerusalem and Dar Salah, Khass, and Nu'man villages in Bethlehem to highlight the most alarming social, economic, and political issues that the local communities in the targeted localities face, especially young women. The workshops focussed on the concepts of development and rights in supporting people's resilience especially the localities subject to threaten of



force transfer. Additionally, the workshops focused on the role of youth movements in creating change and reach justice resources. The project focuses on raising the target groups awareness of their roles in the community to function as model for other youth groups and contribute in improving the quality of life of their communities and resist the occupation's policies

Bisan Hosts The Training Of “Women’s Rights Ambassadors”

Bisan, as a member in the Non- Governmental organizations against Domestic Violence- el- Muntada, hosted two days training course in the field of advocacy. The training targeted a group of youth from the various governorates who function as ambassadors for women rights in their local residency locations through implementing local initiatives to combat violence against women. On the other hand, the representative of Bisan in el- Muntada participated in the consultancy sessions and meetings to prepare for the sixteen days international campaign against violence against women. The representative of Bisan contributed in preparing the material of the booklet that will be published during the campaign in addition to preparing the radio sports and other materials. In this regard, the 2016 campaign will focus on the electronic crimes under the slogan: “Think more, a click might determine your destiny... Your privacy is yours and you have the right to it”. At the same time, the representative of Bisan participated in the periodical meetings of el- Muntada alongside with the coordination and follow up meetings.

