The 5th Country Specific Training Course on the Community-Based Treatment of Offenders through the Holistic Approach to Volunteer Resource Development for the Philippines

1. Date

22 June 2010 - 2 July 2010

2. Participants

10 Officers and Volunteer Probation Aides from the Parole and Probation Administration of the Philippines (PPA)

3. General Information of the Course

The objective of this course is to enhance Volunteer Probation Aide activities in the Philippines through the training of Philippine Parole and Probation Officers engaged in the VPA project and active VPAs in the community.

Since 2003, UNAFEI has been providing technical assistance to the PPA in the development of VPA activities by holding training courses at UNAFEI, dispatching UNAFEI professors as short-term JICA experts, and holding teleconferences on the JICA-Net facility. Our efforts have resulted in not only the dramatic increase in the number of VPAs but also in the standardization of the VPA training module and organization of VPA associations.

The specific topic of the training course this year is Establishment and Management of Halfway Houses and Community-Based Treatment Facilities as a Base for VPA Activities in the Community.

4. Components

- a) Group presentation on the current situation of the topic;
- Lectures by a UNAFEI professor and other professionals on rehabilitation, the volunteer probation officer system, and management and treatment in halfway houses;
- c) Interaction with Japanese volunteer probation officers;
- d) Study visits to related facilities;
- e) Group discussion