

# OUTLINE OF RESEARCH BRIEF



## DESCRIPTION:

Please note that this research brief is for IDRC K4DM supported project on **“Toward gender equality and democratic justice: Support the capacity development of civil society and academia in Myanmar”**, and will be shared under the GenderLab platform ([genderlab.ait.ac.th](http://genderlab.ait.ac.th)). The research brief needs to focus on gender and democratic justice in Myanmar. Focus on gender is a must. Total around 3000-4000 words.



## DOS AND DON'TS:

- Audience is not only academics, so please do not use jargon. Spell out acronyms. Write in an accessible style.
- Minimize the use of the word “should” as much as possible. This is not supposed to be an advocacy paper, but a research brief.
- Please minimize the use of bullet points (except for the highlight section). Please try to elaborate in paragraphs.
- Include references (APA style). If you are not sure, the following link has a guide to APA style. <https://www.mendeley.com/guides/apa-citation-guide/>
- If possible, please include photos and figures. Please ensure that the photos are given credits (who has taken the photo) and if faces of people are identifiable, please make sure that you have received a consent from the person to use the photo in publication.
- The structure below is for reference only. These are contents that need to be included, but you can change the section title depending on your study, and you can combine sections if that is easier and more balanced. Make sure that the analysis part is at least half of your write up.

## 0. HIGHLIGHT OF YOUR RESEARCH

This serves as an abstract of your study. Please highlight your major findings in 3 bullet points.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Introduction should include a brief background/ description of the situation in Myanmar and your research problem statement.





## 2. LITERATURE REVIEW

You can change the title of this section, according to the focus of your research. Here, please include how your research is relevant to the body of literature. What does the literature say about the topic of your study. Please refer to other studies, not only about Myanmar but in general.

## 3. METHODOLOGY

Please state how you conducted the study. Even if you did not conduct any field-based data collection, please elaborate what resources you used to analyze the research problem that you have identified.

## 4. ANALYSIS

Description of the study area should be in the introduction and not here. In this section, please highlight your major findings. Please include evidence (quotes, statistics, references to other studies, etc.). Please do not make statements without evidence.

## 5. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Conclusion can be short. You can put your recommendations here, but it is not a must.

Please make sure that the recommendations directly and logically come from your conclusion, and clarify who you are making the recommendations for. Please limit your recommendations to three or less points.

## 6. REFERENCES

## 7. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS (OPTIONAL)

## 8. ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS (OPTIONAL)

## 9. AUTHOR DETAILS

You can write here your short bio. If you want to keep it anonymous, please say so here.

