

Early Warning and Early Response System (EWER) continued to monitor 4 municipalities during August and September; Baukau, Covalima, Dili, and RAEOA. The EWER system uses a monitor partnership network at the village level to collect information on incidents. The monitors are trained to verify and send data on violent incidents to municipal coordinators. These Coordinators send the data through online tablet computers to Belun's national database system. Every two months Belun prepares this Situation Review. If you want more information about EWER system or you are interested in more details of violence data in Timor-Leste, please visit www.atres.belun.tl

The situation review for period October-November 2019 covers 16 Administrative Posts in four municipalities Baukau, Covalima, Dili and RAEOA. There were 16 volunteer monitors (11 women and 5 men), 1 monitor in each administrative post. The number of incidents are in the table below.

ISSUES THAT REQUIRE ATTENTION

- ▶ **35 Incidents of Domestic Violences**
- ▶ **6 Incidents of Violence involved former Martial Groups and Ritual Arts**
- ▶ **7 Incidents of Sexual Assaulted**

Total Incidents 4 Municipalities	
Municipal	Total Incidents
Baukau	30
Covalima	14
Dili	51
RAEOA	37
Total	132

132 INCIDENTS VIOLENCE IN BAUKAU, COVALIMA, DILI AND RAEOA

Belun through its EWER system recorded 132 general violent incidents in period October-November 2019. According to the relation among victims and perpetrators there are 122 incidents which happened between individuals, 9 collective incidents and 1 self-incident.

The number of incidents decrease 4% compare with period of June – July 2019 which had a total of 144 incidents. Of the 132 incidents the highest percentage of incidents happened in Dili (39%), 28% in RAEOA, 23% in Baukau and 11% happend in Covalima which is considered as small number during this period.

The prepetrators during this period were; 109 males, 14 females, 7 incidents involved both male and female perpetrators and there were 2 incidents where the prepetrator was unknown.

41 prepetrators were farmers, 40 were family member living together in the same house, 27 were family members living in the diferent houses, 18 neighbours, 14 students, 13 unemployed, 8 member of former Martial Arts Groups (MAGs), 4 members of NGOs, 8 goverment officials, 4 PNTL members and in 56 incidents the prepetrators were unknown. The position of F-FDTL, refugees, traditional leaders, and veterans represent the lowest number of prepetrators (1 for

each position). Family members living in the same house were more involve in domestic violence and attempted incest.

The victims were; 56 males, 58 female, 16 male and female together and 2 unknown gender.

According to the relation of victims and prepetrators, there are 3 types of incidents in this period. There were 120 incidents where violence occured among individuals. This included 35 incidents of domestic violence. There were many methods of violence used in the incidents with physical aggression being most prevelant. The next most prevelant was physical threats/verbal violence/ physiological, the third was sexual assault, tentative sexual violence and sexual harasment, and the fourth was property damage. In addition there were a small number of other methods that impacted on community life for example there was once incident where a person died from a motor vehicle accident.

Another incident was committed by a group against a person/group with 10 incidents (include an incident committed by a member of a MAG and ritual arts group). The method of violence used in this incident was physical aggression and property damage. There was 1 self violence incident , a suicide. Apparently this incident happened because of economic problems related to a cultural cerimony.

The highest cause of the incidents in this period was dissatisfaction with another person's attitude. The next most frequent cause was suspicion among husbands and wives where the perpetrator has the opportunity and power over the victim. Other causes include misunderstanding about various issues, land dispute, disputes due to drunkenness, revenge and adultery, family abandonment, property damage caused by animals, incapacity to manage emotion for both parties, violation of an agreement for both parties, disrespecting neighbour's property and carelessly driving a motor vehicle.

Jealously, rumours, different ideas, intolerance in religion, slander about use black magic, making excessive noise in community, financial hardship, dissatisfaction with government decisions, disputes about sports matches, irresponsibility in serious problems and problems in the use of electricity.

The impact of incidents include: 3 people dead (2 male and 1 female), 19 with serious injuries (15 male and 4 female), 43 minor injury (27 male and 16 female), 4 people run away from incidents, 15 incidents where damage property occurred (1 property, 6 houses and 9 vehicles) and 6 other properties damaged. From the total incidents monitors and municipal coordinators reported that 10 incidents could continue to happen in the future.

35 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INCIDENTS IN 4 MUNICIPALITIES

There were 10 domestic violent incidents in Baukau municipality, 6 in Covalima, 7 in Dili and 12 in RAEOA. Domestic violence incidents increased 3% compare with the period of June – July. Of the 35 incident, 25 incident happend among husband and wife and another 6 incidents

involved husband and wife was as well as family members living in the same house. The cause of the domestic violence; 10 incident due to drunkenness , 9 incident caused by adultery, 5 incidents cause by misunderstanding, 4 incidents cause by financial problems, 3 incidents caused by dissatisfaction from the other party, 2 incidents cause by family abandonment and 2 incidents because due to a lack of patience from one party.

Of the 35 incidents the PNTL intervened in 8. There were 14 incident with intervention by the family of the perpetrator and victims, neighbours, colleagues, teachers, village council and cultural leaders. There were 3 incidents where intervention came from people outside these categories and 10 incidents where there was no intervention

THE VIOLENT INCIDENT INVOLVING MEMBER OF FORMER MAG AND RITUAL ARTS IN BAUKAU, COVALIMA AND DILI MUNICIPALITY

There were 6 violence incidents involving member of former MAG and ritual arts in Baukau, Covalima and Dili municipality. There was no incidents involving members of former MAG and ritual arts in RAEOA. There was one incident caused by drunkenness. The causes of the remaining incidents is unclear however, based on past data, the underlying causes are likely to include revenge from disputes or problems between members or between groups from the past.

The impact of one incident which involve member of former MAG resulted in the deaths of 2 people, 8 people with serious injuries (6 males and 2 females) , 1 male with minor injuries. 3 incidents involved property damage/ private house. 1 incident resulted in people fleeing from their living place. Based on the monitors and municipal coordinator observation there are two incidents which may continue to happen in the future because of revenge.

The incidents which involving members of former MAG are describe as follow:

- ▶ Dili: Monday, 12 August 2019, about 20:00 pm in aldeia 03, suku Mascarenhas, fighting occurred among members of former MAG and members of ritual arts. The incident happened when one of member of the former MAG walked through the area of the ritual arts group and was seen by members of ritual arts group. They immediately surrounded him and he was beaten by the members of ritual arts group. Some friends of the victim saw that their friend was beaten and retaliated by throwing stones at the members of ritual arts group who then threw rocks in retaliation. The impact of the incident was some community houses were damaged because of the rock throwing. The Military Police responded, intervened and secured the situation.
- ▶ Baukau: Friday, 27 September 2019 about 21:00 pm, in aldeia Heu-ai, Soba Village, Members (youth) of former MAG in uniform physically assaulted to a lady at her house without a reason. The incident happened when the victim want to sleep at night, at the same time she heard someone throwing rocks on her house, the victim looked out her window and saw some people wearing uniform of MAG walk surround her house. She was scared and contact the PNTL. After a few minutes the Police arrived and gave a warning fire then

the perpetrators run away. The impact of this incident was that one of perpetrator received serious injuries but until now it is unclear why he was injured. The information from the PNTL was that the PNTL member just give warning fire but the information from the victim said that he was shot by the PNTL member. The incident is already registered by the PNTL and will be processed in the court.

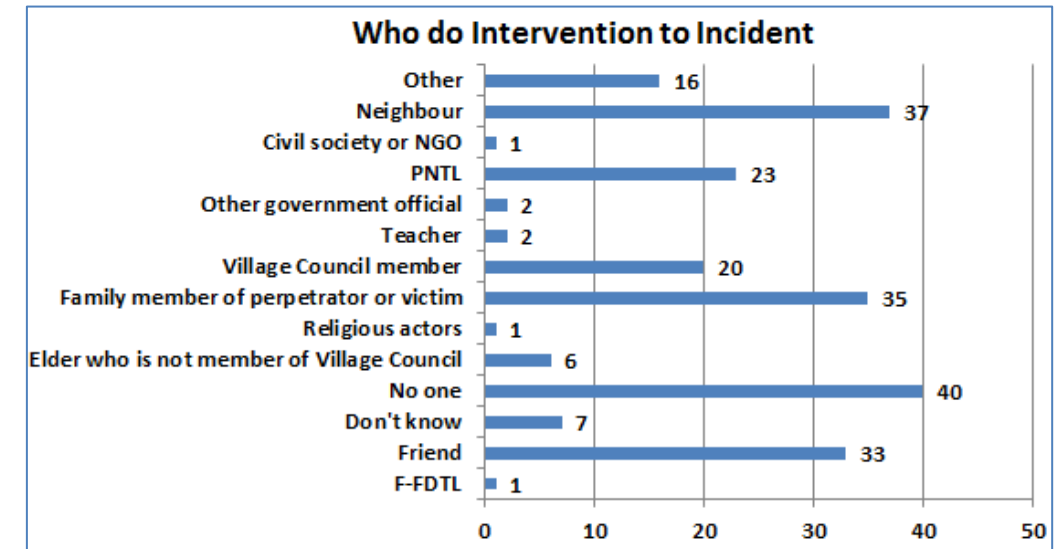
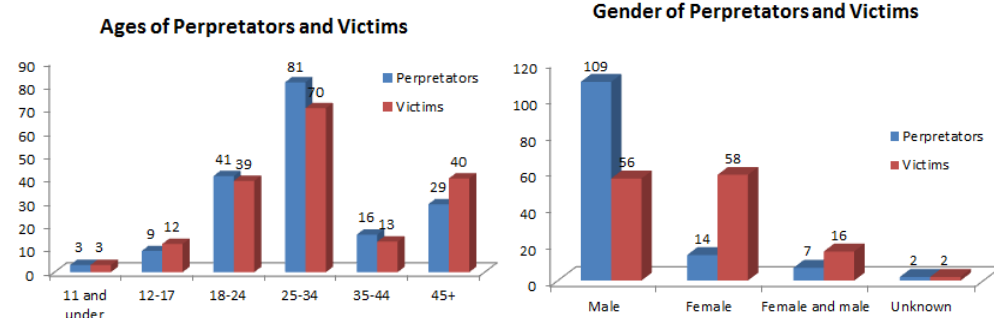
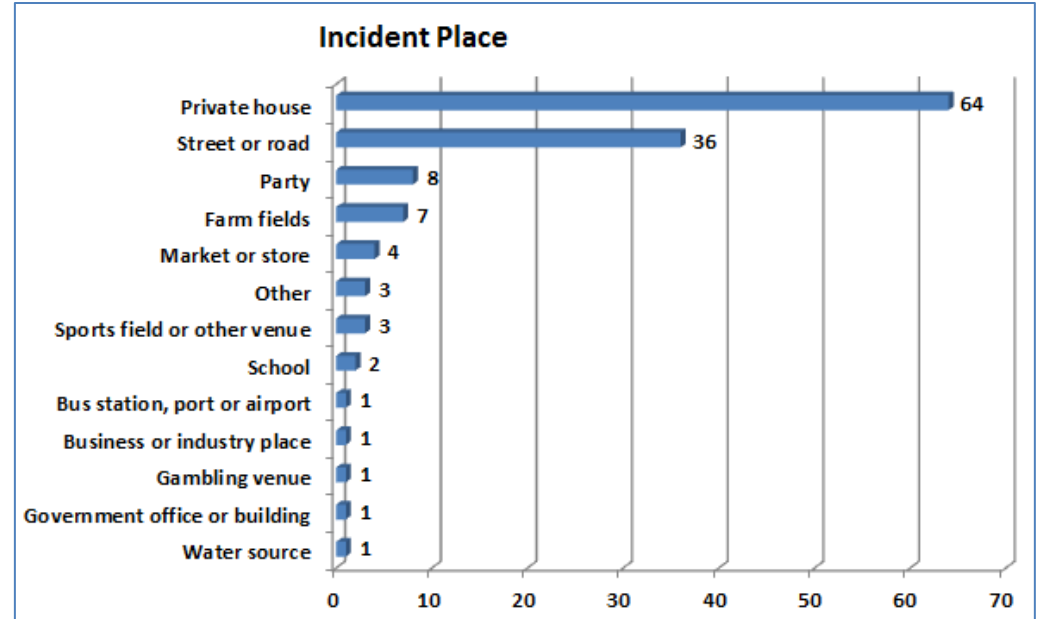
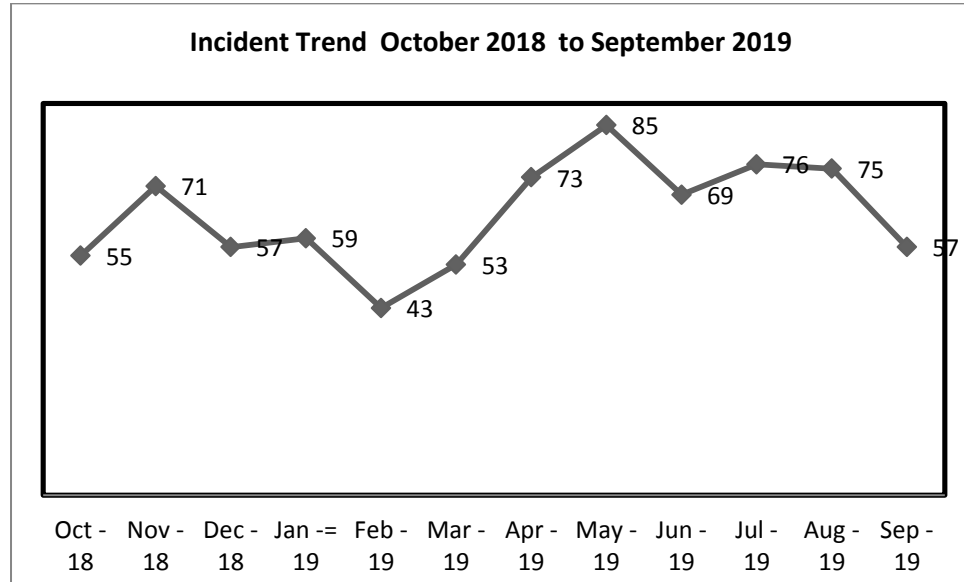
- ▶ Dili: Monday, 23 September 2019, about 00:00, in aldeia São Jose (aimeti -laran), fighting occurred among members of former MAG and members of ritual art. The incident was linked to the other incident which happened on monday, 23 September 2019, about 14:00 in area OB Aimutin. The incident resulted in 2 serious injuries and trauma to the community which live around that place. Village council members intervened to secure the situation.
- ▶ Dili: Monday, 23 September 2019, about 14.00 afternoon, in aldeia São Jose (aimeti-laran), fighting occurred among members of ritual art and members of former MAG. The incident happened when the members of ritual art were on a convoy through area of Aimutin, at the same time as the convoy. Rocks were thrown from members of former MAG and then the two groups fought. The impact of this incident was 1 man died , 1 man was seriously injured and others received minor injuries. The PNTL responded to this incident and secured the situation. The case was registered with the PNTL and will continue in process to the court.
- ▶ Covalima: Monday, 09 September 2019, about 17:30 afternoon. in aldeia Coloama, suku Casabauk, a member of the PNTL hit member of former MAG. The incident happened when PNTL and F-FDTL member conducted a check on the border line, at the same time the members of former MAG come back from endorsement in Indonesia (Kupang). The PNTL member and F-FDTL member realise that they just come from endorsement so the PNTL and F-FDTL member caught them and brought them to PNTL office and conducted an investigation. The Police allegedly hit them during the investigation and the some of the members MAG were injured. This incident was reported to the Ombudsman to process it to the court.
- ▶ Covalima: Saturday, 28 September 2019, about 16:25 afternoon, in aldeia Besac Oan, suku Maudemo Village, a perpetrator (member of ritual art) repeatedly slapped a victim (member of former MAG) because of drunkenness. The incident happened when the victim went to the Kios to buy rice, the perpetrator repeatedly slapped the victim with out any reason, The victim called his colleagues to respond to the assault but when they arrived, the perpetrator had already left. The victim and his colleagues did not take any further action.

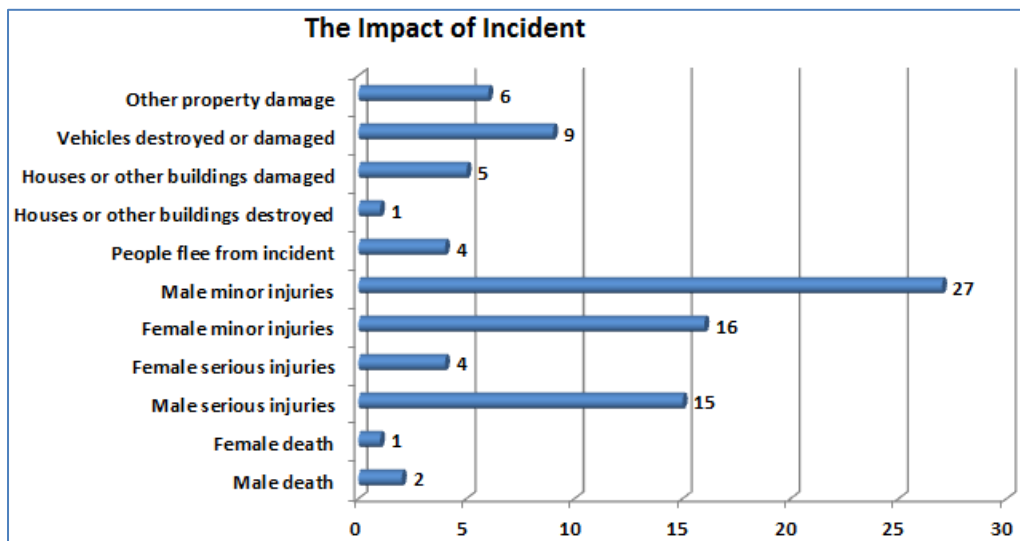
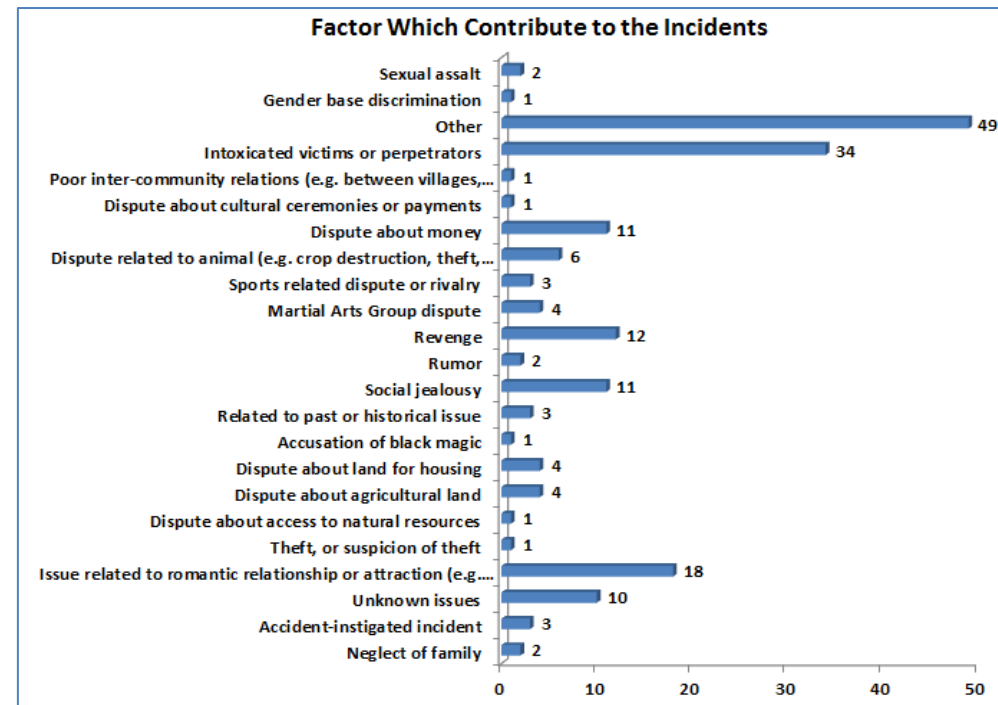
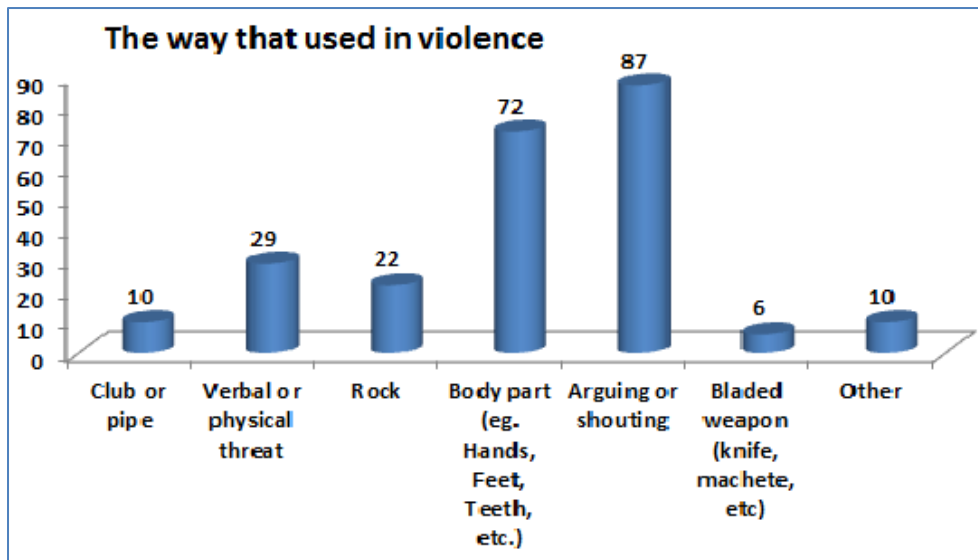
7 NUMBERS OF INCIDENTS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN BAUKAU AND COVALIMA MUNICIPALITIES

Sexual harassment happened in 4 municipalities on the street, private houses and the river. The perpetrator of these incidents were 1 youth (22 years old) and 5 adults (± 28, 34, 37, 38 and 50 years old). The social status of perpetrators were members of the PNTL, family members which live in the same house, neighbours, farmers, youth unemployed and others. The incident time was at 00:00 to 10:00 am. Contributing factors include morality, opportunity and the power

of perpetrator of the victim. The incident which involve PNTL member was referred to ALFeLa and the process is on going there is not result until now.

INCIDENT CHART OF CHARACTERISTICS IN BAUKAU, COVALIMA, DILI NO RAEOA





PEACE ACTIVITY AND CONFLICT PREVENTION IN MUNICIPALITY (EWER AND AJC)

EARLY MORNING AND EARLY RESPONSES (EWER) ACTIVITY

- ▶ On 15 August 2019, EWER held a meeting of Conflict Prevention and Response Network (CPRN) in the LoiLobu village meeting room, the objective of this meeting was to share the results of the EWER monitoring on incidents data in Vemasse administrative Post, disseminate the Domestic Violence law and also talk about cooperation among CPRN and its partners. Total participants in this meeting was 25 people (8 female and 17 male), the participants came from chief of village and suku council members, member of PNTL, Rep. Of Administrative Post, local Government and Rep. Of Communities and Belun municipal coordinator.



- ▶ On 12 September 2019, EWER held a meeting of Conflict Prevention and Response Network (CPRN) in the suku Triloka meeting room. The objective of this meeting was to share information among PNTL, local leaders, Land and Property departement and Belun about security issues, land issues and conflict monitoring (May – June 2019) by Belun. The participant of this meeting was 56 people (10 female and 46 male), the audiences from suku chief, suku council members, Land and Property officer, PNTL officer, Rep of administrative Post, PAAS, Municipal coordinator of Belun and lokal communities.



- ▶ On 13 September 2019 a meeting was held at the meeting room of Butufalo Village office, Suku Soba, the propose of this meeting was to shared results of Belun (EWER) incident data during the period July – May 2019 The objective of this meeting was to talk about a partnership with the Administrative post of Laga, CPRN, Belun and others partners, shared information about general security issue and do socialization about Domestic Violence law. The total participant in this meeting was 31 people (9 female, 22 male), the participant were came from Suku council members, women group, PNTL member, Administrative Post and community representative.

Access To Justice Clinics Program

- ▶ On 9 August 2019, Belun facilitated an agreement between two disputants of a land dispute in Suku Camenasa, administrative Posts Suai Vila. participated by 6 people (5 male, 1 female).



- ▶ On 23 september 2019 a mediation was held in Aldeia Bua Nurak, Suku Uaibobo, OSSU Administrative Post, Vikeké Municipality. The mediation process was participate by 5 people (1 female, 4 male).



ABOUT THE SYSTEM AND THIS SITUATION REVIEW

The EWER system was fully operational between 2008 to 2016. The system was able to cover 43 administrative posts in all Municipalities during this period. This was made possible with the support of various donors including USAID.; In 2017 the EWER system was paused due to funding limitations. In 2018 the system was reactivated when Belun received funding support from UNWOMEN, Women Peace and Security. During this time the program monitored 3 municipalities including Baukau, Covalima and RAEOA. In middle of 2019, the program cover also covered Dili which was funded by DAP-DFAT and APPAP.

This situation review reports on key issues related to violent incidents and trends emerging from monitoring through the early warning and early response (Ewer) Timor-Leste during August-September 2019 in Municipalies of Baukau, Covalima, Dili and RAEOA. EWER is currently supported from UN Women, DAP-DFAT and APPAP.

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