

Mid-Year Report La’o Hamutuk January – June 2024

La’o Hamutuk’s vision

The people of Timor-Leste, women and men, of current and future generations, will live in peace and contentment. They will control a transparent, just and sustainable development process which respects all people’s cultures and rights. All citizens will benefit from Timor-Leste’s resources and will accept the responsibility for protecting them.

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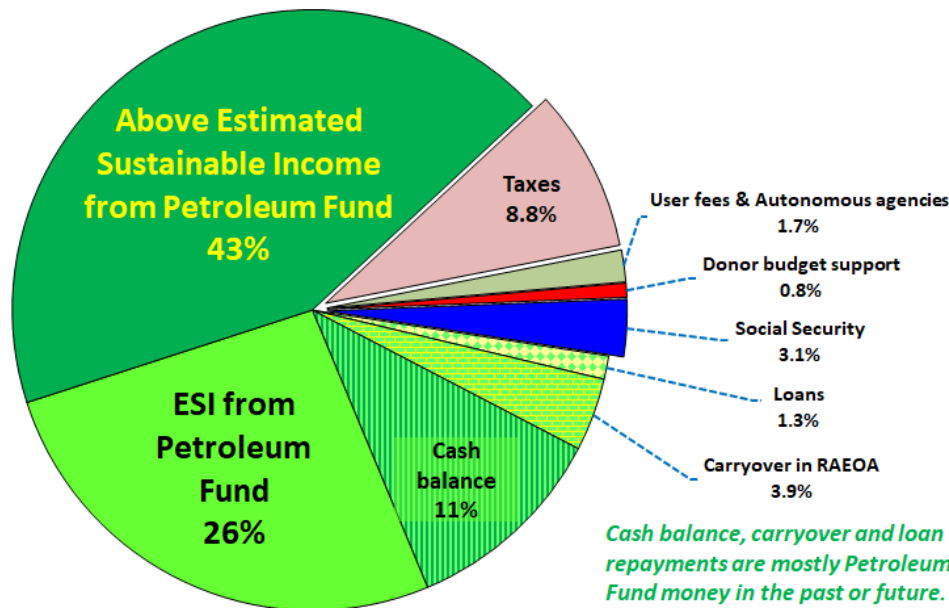
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Mission and Situational Context

La'o Hamutuk ("Walking Together" in English) is an independent Timor-Leste non-governmental organization which monitors, analyzes and reports on development processes in Timor-Leste, particularly the programs and policies of the national government and international agencies operating in the country. La'o Hamutuk produces fact-based analysis to educate and empower the public on decisions being made by its representatives. We consult with and lobby decision makers in Government, Parliament, and international agencies to advocate for more equitable, sustainable, and people-focused policies.

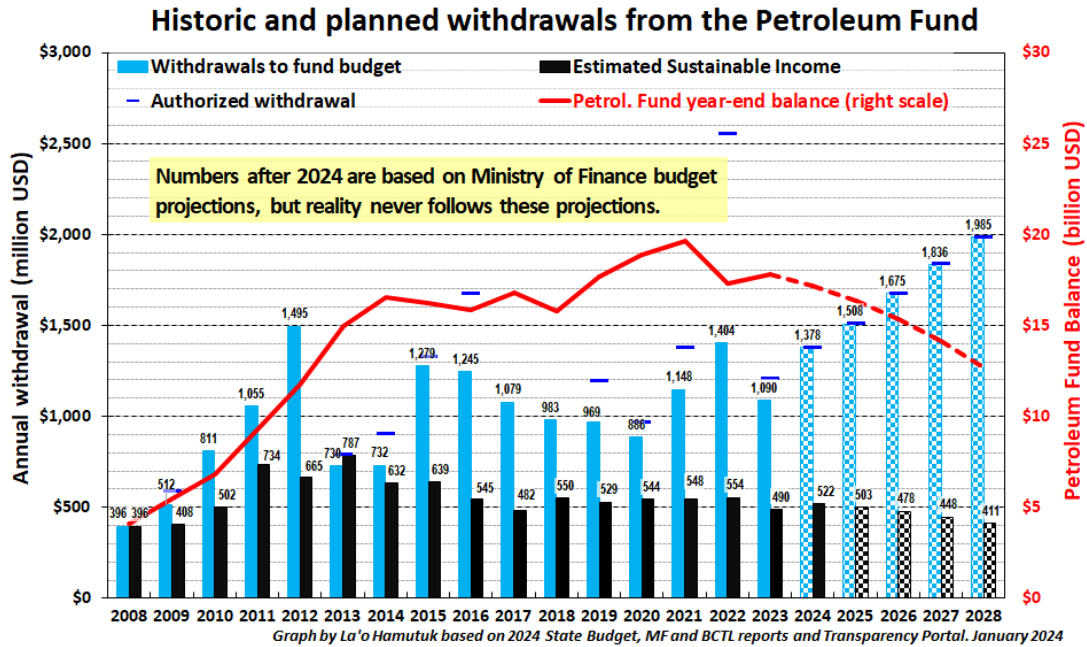
From January to June 2024, the government operated under the 2024 state budget promulgated by President Ramos-Horta, with a final budget of \$2.23 billion (\$1.96 billion excluding Social Security internal transfers). The pie chart below shows that withdrawals from the Petroleum Fund continue to be the main source of money for the national budget. This year, they will pay for about 83% of state expenditures.

Revenues in enacted 2024 State Budget \$1.96 billion total (excluding Soc.Sec. internal transfers) 83% is from the Petroleum Fund in the past, present or future.



Graph by La'o Hamutuk based on the enacted State Budget for 2024. January 2024.

The Petroleum Fund held \$18.5 billion at the end of June. Meanwhile, income from oil and gas production has greatly reduced, as the Bayu-Undan oil and gas field is depleted. Now, the value of the Petroleum Fund fluctuates with the stocks and bonds it is invested in. With withdrawals exceeding revenues, a fiscal cliff is imminent within a decade, especially if the government fails to invest in productive sectors that can sustain Timor Leste's economy into the future. The following graph shows planned continuing escalation of Petroleum Fund withdrawals even as the Fund is shrinking.



In addition, during the first six months of 2024, the Government has mainly focused on what we see as non-essential policies. In January, the members of the World Trade Organization (WTO) responsible for negotiating Timor-Leste's accession agreed to the country's accession to the WTO, which happened the following month.

On February 27, La'o Hamutuk issued a statement¹ and held a press conference dissenting from Timor-Leste's accession to the WTO, highlighting its negative impacts on the local economy. La'o Hamutuk encouraged the Government to prioritize social issues and promote the domestic economy, and our views were widely covered in local media. We were also critical about the impacts of the WTO agreements, as well as the pending accession to the regional trade organization Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), which this Government has also prioritized.

Alongside with WTO and ASEAN, the Government and other players have promoted extractive industries, including the not-yet-developed Greater Sunrise (GS) oil and gas field and the Tasi Mane petroleum infrastructure Project, whose planned LNG plant has been shifted to Natarbora, Manatuto. Therefore, in May La'o Hamutuk went to Natarbora and held public meetings to better understand what local people have been told and what they expect from this project. We also monitor proposed mining developments, including the initial approved contracts with foreign companies.

We met with several local and international organizations who are important players to discuss Timor-Leste's overall context and Government programs, and to share our perspectives, and analysis, as well to try to influence their work. For instance, we met with the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, Timor-

¹ https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/trade/240227LHKonferensia_Imprensa_WTOen.pdf

Leste's Ambassador for Climate Change and the UN's Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).

In addition, we often disseminated the results of our analysis through events and TV shows related to WTO accession, Greater Sunrise, economic diversification, agriculture, and other topics (see Appendix 2).

The following are some major results of our work between January and June 2024:

- La'o Hamutuk was interviewed or cited more than 50 times in national and international media.
- After La'o Hamutuk held a Press Conference on the World Trade Organization (WTO), almost all media invited LH for an interview. In addition, Government agencies also conducted socialization about the opportunity to become a WTO member to related institutions and civil society.²
- Several organizations that have received training from La'o Hamutuk on budget analysis related to disability issues, such as the Asosiasaun Defisiénsia Timor Leste (ADTL), Ra'es Hadomi Timor Oan (RHTO), and Asosiasaun Halibur Defisiénsia Matan Timor-Leste (AHMDTL). These organizations are now able to prepare their submissions to the national parliament and relevant ministries.³
- As local researcher for the International Budget Partnership's Open Budget Survey, we finalized the research and began to launch the results of the 2023 Survey on budget transparency, participation, and accountability. We produced an open letter⁴ and press release.⁵

Program Activities

From January through June, La'o Hamutuk continued to monitor 2024 State budget processes and execution. We participated in meetings led by the Minister of Finance and the Central Bank, and advocated for better transparency in national reports and for more accountability. Our engagement raised important issues that still need to be improved by the Government.

We also focused on government programs related to economic diversification. The program to increase domestic agriculture production was one of our priorities, as it can help reduce Timor-Leste's alarming rates of stunting and malnutrition if addressed properly. We also attended the annual Development Partners meeting (TLDPM) and budget workshop, although the government did not allow civil society to speak. La'o Hamutuk was also invited to the public consultation on the strategic policy of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Santos' proposed project for Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) in the depleted Bayu-Undan gas field also drew our attention, and we participated in their April public consultation. The Ministry of Petroleum and Mining and the International

² <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/trade/240321AdezaunTLbaOMKForumDialogoFONGTIL.pdf>

³ Many of the presentations are at <https://www.laohamutuk.org/pres.htm>.

⁴ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/trans/OBS23/240612KartaAbertaLH-OBS2023en.pdf>

⁵ <https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2024/06/results-of-2023-open-budget-survey.html>

Finance Corporation (IFC) hosted a three-day conference on the proposed CCS project, which is linked to the carbon-intensive Barossa gas field in Australia.

We continued our advocacy and raised important concerns that could impact communities in both Australia and Timor-Leste. Additionally, we received the draft version of Timor-Leste's Guidelines and Policy for Carbon Farming and participated in the public consultation for the Third Draft of the proposed Climate Change Law. We shared our thoughts and advocated for legislation that can truly provide mitigation and adaptation for the most impacted people. In early March, La'o Hamutuk also participated in the 2024 ASEAN-Australia Summit, particularly the Climate and Clean Energy Transition, in Melbourne.

In relation to extractive industries, La'o Hamutuk continued updating its Petroleum Projects and Production Sharing Contracts webpage⁶, including on the Chuditch offshore field. The Greater Sunrise project is again being discussed between Timor-Leste and Australia, and we consistently advocated for more transparency. The exploration for and future mining of minerals proceeded during this period, and we created a new webpage to make key information available to the public.⁷

In the first part of 2024, the Government made several changes to laws and policies, reasserting its intentions to join international networks including ASEAN and the WTO. On 27 February, La'o Hamutuk issued a statement and held a press conference dissenting from Timor-Leste's accession to the WTO.⁸ The organization's position was widely covered in local media and we were asked to participate in several discussions with the Government, especially the Vice-Prime Minister's office.

In May, La'o Hamutuk became a steering committee member of the ASEAN People's Forum and actively engaged in discussions with civil society representatives from ASEAN countries to prepare for the APF regional conference in Dili in September. La'o Hamutuk staff also participated in an international conference in Malaysia focusing on the impact of oil and gas activities in the ASEAN region, where we presented a case study on Timor-Leste.

La'o Hamutuk organized several activities, including two public meetings in Laclubar and Natarbora administrative posts in Manatuto municipality focusing on sustainability and economic diversification. We chose Natarbora because the Government intends it as the location for the LNG plant and other Tasi Mane Project components. We visited the site and interviewed people in communities that will be affected.

To strengthen the government's stated commitment to transparency and improve public participation, La'o Hamutuk wrote an open letter to several state institutions in Timor-Leste and issued a press release, printed and paraphrased by national media.⁹ As part of its advocacy efforts, La'o Hamutuk also provided

⁶ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/PSCs/10PSCs.htm>

⁷ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/Mining/24MiningProjects.htm>

⁸ https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/trade/240227LHKonferensia_Imprensa_WTOen.pdf

⁹ <https://laohamutuk.blogspot.com/2024/06/results-of-2023-open-budget-survey.html>

briefings to international organizations including the Australia-East Timor Association (AETA), and met with FAO, the Secretary of State of Cooperatives, the Climate Change Ambassador from Timor-Leste, the incoming U.S. Ambassador, PROSIVU, and other organizations concerning the general economic and social conditions in Timor-Leste.

La'o Hamutuk produced a short video on fiscal sustainability in Timor-Leste.¹⁰ We broadcast two radio programs: one about the 2024 state budget and economic diversification and the second about WTO's accession.¹¹ They were distributed to radio stations in seven municipalities. Also, we continued distributing our 2023 *Bulletin*¹² and *Surat Popular*¹³ in Dili and around the country.

We regularly shared information through TV talk shows and interviews by local and international journalists, so that people who do not come to our events will be informed about the country's economic situation, as well as showing the public how to urge political parties to focus on development that leads to economic diversification, equity, and sustainability.

Many organizations and individuals, including Government agencies, continue to rely on La'o Hamutuk as a source of independent, factual information. We regularly update pages on our website, including on state budgets and development partners meetings. We conducted strategic meetings to give inputs and share knowledge. Dozens of local and international researchers, NGOs, academics and development partners sought our perspective and expertise on Timor-Leste's economic and social context.

We met with:

- The World Bank twice. Once to discuss social accountability and another to address the country's economic situation, giving inputs and sharing the Government policies for the population.
- The IMF to discuss macroeconomic issues.
- Santos Australian petroleum company, about their plan for the Australian Barossa Field, which will use Carbon and Capture Storage in Bayu-Undan in Timor-Leste.
- Several international researchers to discuss various issues, including economic diversification and past crimes.

During the first half of 2024, people accessed our web pages an average of 26,300 times every day, 19% more than during the first half of 2023. Many of our webpages and articles are reposted on online journals, blogs, and other media, so our actual readership is even larger. 55,448 people viewed pages on our blog during the six-month period, 82% more than in the first half of 2023.

¹⁰ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/media/2024/240530LH720%20Sustentabilidade%20Fiskal.mp4>

¹¹ All our radio programs are available from <https://www.laohamutuk.org/media/radio.htm>.

¹² <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Bulletin/2023/231221Bulletin.pdf>

¹³ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/surat/231117Surat%20PopularRNF.pdf>

We published often to our website (www.laohamutuk.org) and continued to add new information to our reference page.¹⁴ Major new pages or updates published in the first half of 2024 include:

- Created a new webpage for Mining Projects¹⁵
- Updated our website on 2024 General State Budget¹⁶
- Regular updates with new materials to our pages on Petroleum projects¹⁷
- Regular updates on Timor-Leste Petroleum Fund¹⁸

Analysis, Monitoring and Research

State Budget, Economy and Fiscal Sustainability

There is an ongoing need for research and deep analysis about government programs and how public money is being used. The publication of the 2023 Open Budget Survey showed that there still need to be huge improvements in the country's transparency policies and practices. We addressed this during meetings we held with Government representatives and the Central Bank.

Although we realize that the imminent fiscal cliff is finally a concern for the national authorities (La'o Hamutuk first raised this more than a decade ago), our analyses of the 2024 Budget shows huge gaps and inconsistencies between Government's public statements and their main actions to properly address the country's challenges. La'o Hamutuk has successfully worked to increase awareness among decision makers about these key issues, but we observe that work needs to continue in order to ensure that this translates into action.

As the government has been focused on WTO and ASEAN, we also have made several interventions raising our concerns and produced one radio specific to discuss the WTO accession. Through our understanding, the government takes a wrong path when decides to prioritize these agreements instead of focusing on the national policies to both support the development of local business and strength the national production. We asked the government to better plan their programs and to be realistic with the true impact of those agreements to local people. Our analysis were published in a Press Conference, which was widely covered.

When state agencies published inaccurate or inconsistent information, we often let them know privately and worked to correct it.

Natural Resources and Petroleum

We continued monitoring and analyzing developments related to the Greater Sunrise (GS) project, the proposed Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) project at Bayu-Undan and other offshore and onshore petroleum and mining projects. We seek to inform the public and urge that the decision-making processes consider

¹⁴ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/DVD/DVDIndexEn.htm>

¹⁵ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/Mining/24MiningProjects.htm>

¹⁶ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/OGE24/23OGE24.htm>

¹⁷ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/PSCs/10PSCs.htm>

¹⁸ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/Oil/PetFund/05PFIndex.htm>

climate change resulting from continued extraction and burning of dangerous fossil fuels.

We also participated in the OilWatch Regional Assembly in Penang, Malaysia, to share information about Timor-Leste's petroleum sector and climate change activities.¹⁹ This important activity brings organizations from throughout Southeast Asia together to discuss strategies and how each country is addressing climate change.

Since all the above projects are still ongoing, we continue to research and evaluate environmental and climate change impacts with relevant institutions including the Environmental Licensing Authority (ANLA) and Australian environmental organizations.

Governance and Human Rights

In 2024, as the culmination of our recent work as local researchers for the International Budget Partnership's (IBP) 2023 Open Budget Survey, we began releasing the results within Timor-Leste. Timor-Leste's scores fell compared in the previous survey; the transparency score dropped to 37 out of 100, while oversight increased to 67/100, an increase of six points compared to 2021, which is considered an adequate score. However, the survey shows that the government has yet to implement effective public participation, which scored only 11/100. There is a need for improvement in all areas. On 12 June, we wrote an open letter²⁰, and we issued a press release explaining the results²¹. The results of this survey help advance advocacy for transparency and oversight in the budget process, and we will continue to disseminate them in the second half of the year.

During this first half of 2024, we engaged with several organizations to discuss Timor-Leste's water sanitation system through a partnership between LH and PN-BESI.TL (Water and Sanitation Network). We consider the rights and experiences of marginalized groups including women and people with disabilities across our research and analysis.

We were invited to participate in a workshop to strength the civil society organizations' capacity to monitor corruption cases, conducted by the Judicial System Monitoring Program (JSMP), Accountability and Integrity Mechanism (AIM) and Indonesia Corruption Watch (ICW).

Agriculture, Land and Environment

We continued to monitor the Government's agriculture programs, especially to increase rice production, including the Demo Plot activity and Training Centers, and we gave several interviews raising our concerns about their lack of seriousness. The urgency to diversify the economy requires both strategic thinking and prioritizing agriculture in the state budget. On several occasions, we argued

¹⁹ [https://www.laohamutuk.org/Env/Climate/2024/240619The Oil Industry and the Prevention of Climate_OilWatch.pdf](https://www.laohamutuk.org/Env/Climate/2024/240619The%20Oil%20Industry%20and%20the%20Prevention%20of%20Climate_OilWatch.pdf)

²⁰ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/trans/OBS23/240612KartaAbertaLH-OBS2023en.pdf>

²¹ <https://www.laohamutuk.org/econ/trans/OBS23/240612LHPressReleaseOBS2023en.pdf>

that a key sector for economic diversification is agriculture, where increased production can meet domestic needs and reduce dependency on imports.

In May 2024 we participated in a six-week Seed Study Tour organized by the Towards Organic Asia Project in Thailand and had a chance to share skills and knowledge about local seeds.

La'o Hamutuk's Networks

Timor-Leste networks

- Rede ba Rai (Land Network)
- (Sustainable Agriculture Network (HASATIL)
- Core Group on Transparency (CGT)
- Timor-Leste NGO Forum (FONGTIL)
- Movement Against the Occupation of the Timor Sea (MKOTT)
- Human Rights Defenders Network
- National Platform of Water Sanitation and Hygiene in TL (PN-BESI.TL)
- Timor-Leste Coalition for Education (TLCE)
- Raes Hadomi Timor Oan - Disability Rights Network (RHTO)

International Networks:

- International Budget Partnership (IBP)
- Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI)
- International solidarity and human rights organizations, especially ETAN
- Timor-Leste Studies Association (TLSA)
- Australia-East Timor Association (AETA)
- ASEAN People's Forum (APF)
- OilWatch (especially in Southeast Asia)
- Towards Organic Asia
- Publish What You Pay (PWYP)
- Inclusive Development International (IDI)

Organizational Report

La'o Hamutuk has seven researchers including Celestino Gusmão, Charles Scheiner (part-time, from New York), Elizaria Febe Gomes, Yonatan Jonas Gonsalves, Mariano Ferreira, Marta da Silva, and Ana Carolina Oliveira. Our Finance Officer is Ricarda Martins, and Assistants in Finance and Administration are Martinha Fernandes and Letícia Pereira. We also have three security employees and one cleaner.

Internally, we focused on setting our strategy for 2024-2026 and our annual action plan for 2024, carried out an internal staff evaluation, and recruited new international staff. To continue our internal capacity-building, several staff members attended English and leadership training. In mid-June, La'o Hamutuk welcomed an interne from Wheaton College (USA), who will work with us for six months.

Appendix 1. Financial report

This Mid-Year Report is being written before the end of the 2024 financial year. The figures below are preliminary and may differ from the final version in our Annual Report. All amounts are in U.S. dollars.

During the first half of 2024, we continued to receive project funding from Katholische Zentralstelle für Entwicklungshilfe KZE/(Misereor) (\$42,710.60) and the Comité Catholique Contre la Faim et Pour le Développement (CCFD) (\$37,527). La'o Hamutuk also received \$2,985 from the International Budget Partnership (IBP) for work on the Open Budget Survey, earned \$4,700 for providing briefings, and received donations from individual supporters.

A more comprehensive balance sheet will be included in our Annual Report. The table below does not include receivables and liabilities.

	Cash and bank balances	General support donors	Misereor project	LH assets
Assets 31 Dec 2023	\$109,606	\$84,763	-\$64,129	\$83,977
Income Jan- June 2024	\$88,406	\$40,512	\$42,715	\$5,180
Expenses Jan-June 2024	\$89,887	\$35,702	\$53,725	\$460
Assets 30 June 2024	\$108,125	\$89,573	-\$75,139	\$88,697

Revenues received during the first half of 2024

Source	Budget 2024	Half budget 2024	Actual received	Difference	Explanation
Yayasan Humanis & Inovasi Sosial (Hivos)	60,000	30,000	0	-30,000	Proposal submitted
CCFD	38,000	19,000	37,527	18,527	Support for all of 2024
The Asia Foundation	10,000	5,000	0	-5,000	Support for all of 2024
KZE /Misereor	110,000	55,000	42,711	-12,289	Support for Jan-June 2024
International Budget Partnership	8,500	4,250	2,985	-1,265	Launching 2023 OBS report
Earned for services	9,000	4,500	4,700		Providing briefings and 200 trainings for Oxfam and TAF
Donations and sales	1,500	750	484	-266	
TOTAL	237,000	118,500	88,406	-30,094	

Expenditures during the first half of 2024

Category	Budget for half 2024	Actual	Difference	Explanation
1. Non-recurrent Expenditure				
IT Equipment	600	65	535	
Office maintenance	275	84	191	
Office furniture	250	0	250	
SUBTOTAL NON-RECURRENT EXPEND.	1,125	149	976	
2. Staff costs				
Program Staff (researchers) salaries	90,462	68,768	21,694	
Training for staff (capacity building)	1,750	800	950	Trainings in English language
SUBTOTAL STAFF COSTS	92,212	69,568	22,644	
3. Project Activities				
Bulletin and Surat Popular	800	182	618	<i>Bulletin and Surat Popular</i> will be published later in 2024.
Public meetings	2,990	875	2,115	Space rental, publicity, refreshments outside Dili
Radio Programs	879	420	459	Two radio programs produced
Research (Monitoring, Advocacy and Networking)	2,510	2,342	168	Monitoring and field research in Natarbora
Resource center	450	269	181	Books, newspaper subscriptions
Short video production	600	450	150	Video about fiscal cliff
International conferences and events	750	1,150	-400	Attend conferences in Malaysia, Thailand and Australia
SUBTOTAL PROJECT ACTIVITIES	8,979	5,688	3,290	
4. Project Administration				
Operations & Supplies	2,500	3,561	-1,061	Electricity, office supplies, bank charges, photocopy, etc.
Office rent	5,250	5,100	150	
Transportation	269	181	88	Transport and motorcycle maintenance in Dili and nearby
Communication	2,629	2,415	214	Telephone, internet and website
Auditor	3,000	2,677	323	Two audits for Misereor project
Miscellaneous	287	547	-260	
SUBTOTAL PROJECT ADMIN.	13,935	14,481	-546	
TOTAL	116,250	89,886	26,364	

Appendix 2. Media mentions of La'ó Hamutuk

During the first half of 2024, La'ó Hamutuk was quoted by or gave comments to the national and international media more than 50 times. Here's a partial list.

Date	Title	Medium	URL/Page	Comment
05 Jan	Governu Aloka \$30 Miloens Diversifika Ekonomia, LH Konsidera la Klaru	Independente		Interview Mariano
05 Jan	Governu Ezekuta OR la Masimu, Implementasaun Marka Pasu	Independente		Interview Mariano
08 Jan	OJE 2023 Seidauk Kontribui Signifikativu ba Redúz Problema Estratéjiku iha Rai Laran	RTTL,EP	https://www.facebook.com/100092897275682/posts/260616780378229	Interview Celestino
08 Jan	Ejekusaun OJE 2023 La Fo Benefisiu ba Povo	RTTL,EP	https://fb.watch/pskcYKaBE6/?mibextid=pwzcmfqlRWawsM	Interview Celestino
17 Jan	Ita nia situaun saúde: asuntu interesse nasional, ka asuntu interesse partido ne'ebé mana'an iha eleisaun?	Neon Metin programa One to One	https://www.facebook.com/share/v/szHRb6uFKBZEcBcW	Interviewer cites LH information
24 Jan	Planu Governo Sosa Trator Diak, Maibe Tuir Lolos Halo Uluk Avaliasaun ba Trator Nebe'e Antes Ne'e Sosa Ona, Hodi Hatene Tratores Sira Nia Produsaun Durante ne'e,no Ajuda Duni Agrikultor sira hasae produsaun ka lae?	RTTL,EP	https://www.youtube.com/live/IHHJ6UVK6pg?si=UFEvVGvARVXzBwqA	Interview Mariano
25 Jan	Governu tenke kapasita agrikultór sira hodi aumenta produsaun iha rai laran	RTTL-TV Notisia Dader	https://youtu.be/tmRABZ8Rj4?t=280	Mariano is interviewed
31 Jan	Timor-Leste sobe sete posições no índice de Percepção da Corrupção,mas rezultadu não reflete a realidade,consideram especialistas	Diligente	https://www.diligenteonline.com/timor-lestesobe-seteposicoes-no-indice-de-percecao-da-corrupcao-mas-resultadunao-reflete-a-realidade-consideram-especialistas/	Ana Carolina & Marta
01 Feb	Governo tenki Investe makas iha Setor Agrikultura , hodi Hasae Produsaun iha Rai Laran	RTTL,EP	https://www.facebook.com/RTTL.RomanbaNasaun.LiveTV/videos/334112362942047	Interview Mariano Ferreira
09 Feb	Krize iha Sistema Nasional Saude ?	Live RTM Maubere	https://www.facebook.com/share/p/uy4txMNoQdL1DGgj	Konversa kafe Marta
09 Feb	Promessa e realidade dos recursos naturais para sustentar Timor-Leste a curto prazo	Diligente	https://www.diligenteonline.com/promessa-e-realidade-dos-recursos-naturais-para-sustentar-timor-lestea-curto-prazo/	Article by La'ó Hamutuk
20 Feb	Dependencia Ai-han Husi Rai Liur Impaktu Mak Abandona Rai Potensialidade Iha Rai Laran	Fokus program on TVet	https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?v=7408419495892386	Mariano is guest on talk show
27 Feb	La'ó Hamutuk: Presiza proteje no promove ekonomia rai-laran	Tatoli	https://tatoli.tl/2024/02/27/lao-hamutuk-presiza-proteje-no-promove-ekonomia-rai-laran/	Covers LH press conf. on WTO
27 Feb	La'ó Hamutuk Rejeita Adezaun TL bá OMK, Husu Governu Proteje no Promove Ekonomia Rai-Laran	Hatutan	https://www.hatutan.com/2024/02/27/lao-hamutuk-rejeita-adezaun-tl-ba-omk-husu-governu-proteje-no-promove-ekonomia-rai-laran/	Covers LH press conference on WTO
27 Feb	Lao Hamutuk: presiza promove ekonómia rai-laran duke adere ba WTO	G-News	https://g-rtv.com/blog/lao-hamutuk-presiza-promove-ekonomia-rai-laran-duke-adere-ba-wto/5876/informasaun-actual/	Covers LH press conference on WTO
27 Feb	ONG La'ó Hamutuk rejeita adezaun ba OMK	RTTL-TV	https://youtu.be/eBQTPMESr-s?t=1568	Covers LH press conf. on WTO
28 Feb	LH : Presiza Proteje no Promove Ekonomia Rai Laran	STL		LH Press release
28 Feb	LH: Rezeita Adezaun TL ba Organizaasaun Mundial Komersiu (OMK),no husu atu governu atu hadia politika ,proteze , no promove ekonomia iha rai laran	Dili Post		LH Press release
28 Feb	La'ó Hamutuk, Rejeita adezaun Timor-Leste ba WTO	RTM	https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=426786206467546	Covers LH press conf. on WTO

Date	Title	Medium	URL/Page	Comment
28 Feb	La'o Hamutuk: Adere Ba OMK Sei Hasusar Ekonomia Ki'ik Sira Iha Rai Laran, Benefisiu Ba Ema Riku Sira	Neon Metin	https://neonmetin.info/buletin/2024/02/28/lao-hamutuk-adere-ba-omk-sei-hasusar-ekonomia-kiik-sira-ih-rai-laran-benefisiu-ba-ema-riku-sira/	Covers LH press conf. on WTO
29 Feb	LH La Konkorda ho Adejaun Timor Leste ba Organizaun Mundial Komersiu, tamba Risku ba TL nia Soberania	RTTL,EP	https://youtu.be/eBQTPMESr-s?t=1568	LH Press release
29 Feb	La'o Hamutuk Rejeita Adejaun TL ba OMK	GMN		LH Press release
29 Feb	Sa Razaun ONG LA'O HAMUTUK La Konkorda Adezaun TL ba OMK?	TVET	https://www.facebook.com/tvetimorles/videos/1599553584124279	Interview with Mariano about LH press conf. on WTO
29 Feb	La'o Hamutuk volta a apelar para importância de proteger negócios locais e de investir em setores produtivos, depois de adesão de Timor-Leste à OMC	Diligente	https://www.diligenteonline.com/lao-hamutuk-volta-a-apelar-para-importancia-de-proteger-negocios-locais-e-de-investir-em-setores-produtivos-depois-de-adesao-de-timor-leste-a-omc/	Covers LH press conference on WTO
02 Mar	Lao Hamutuk lamenta ho projetu Greater Sunrise ne'ebé to'o agora seidauk iha serteza atu dada mai TL	GMN-TV	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9wmBEBFzag	Interviews Jonas
04 Mar	Organizaun Mundial Komersiu	Programa HADER Edisaun 32	https://facebook.com/share/v/pighxcWA4wz3CQ57	Radio Program Interview with Mariano
04 Mar	LH Setor Agrikultura Mak Sai Aliserse ba TL	GMN		Interview Jonas
05 Mar	OXFAM-La'o Hamutuk Fasilita Treinamentu Kona ba Analize no Sirklú OJE	Independente		Interviewed Marta
08 Mar	Kondisaun infrastrutura no lejlzlasaun seidauk fó biban ba investidór sira atu mai investe iha TL	Diário Nasionál		Extensive summary of LH press conf.
14 Mar	Significance of joining WTO for Timor-Leste	GMN-TV	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AUhU48x9IVA	Mariano is guest
15 Mar	WTO - OMK: LH no FONTIL Diskorda TL Adere ba Adezaun Zona Ekonomia Livre	RMTL	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qVAd-LHzvxl	Based on LH press release
22 Mar	Vantajen-Desvantajen Adezaun TL ba OMK	TVET Debate Governo Rona	https://www.facebook.com/tvetimorles/videos/3601835983465709 or https://fb.watch/qZLpXbGsYj/	Mariano is guest, with Minister of Trade and Industry, and Rector of IOB
26 Mar	LH husu Partidu Politiku Konsensus ba Estudu Viabilidade Foun Planta LNG	RTM Maubere	https://fb.watch/r3huF_QyWW	Interviewed Celestino
17 Mar	Em sete anos, Timor-Leste cai 18 posições no ranking do Índice de Desenvolvimento Humano	Diligente	https://www.diligenteonline.com.translate.google.com/em-sete-anos-timor-leste-cai-18-posicoes-no-ranking-do-indice-de-desenvolvimento-humano	Quotes Charlie's 2022 paper
27 Mar	Agriculture touted as solution for Timor-Leste's economy	ABC Pacific	https://www.abc.net.au/pacific/programs/pacificbeat/timor-agriculture/103638026	Interviews Mariano
17 Apr	Media tour 2024 akan kuatka kreatifitas kaum muda inklusif di ermera	tatoli.tl	https://id.tatoli.tl/2024/04/17/media-tour-2024-akan-kuatkan-kreatifitas-kaum-muda-inklusif-di-ermera/	Briefing by Mariano
29 Apr	Governu Presiza Ko'a Despeza la Nesesariu atu Evita Krize Finanseira	Jornal Nasionál Diário		Interviewed Celestino
29 Apr	Governu Labele Duni Deit Persentajen Ezekusaun OJE maibe Presiza Garante Kualidade	Jornal Nasionál Diário		Interviewed Celestino
30 Apr	Timor-Leste seeks economic lifeline as oil wealth dwindles	Benar News	https://www.benarnews.org/english/news/indonesian/timor-leste-seeks-economic-lifeline-04302024135743.html	Quotes LH on poverty

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01 May	Jalan terjál ekonomi Timor Leste setelah 25 tahun lepas dari Indonesia	Benar News	https://www.benarnews.org/indonesian/berita/jalan-terjal-timor-leste-25-tahun-merdeka-05012024014707.html	Quotes LH on poverty
06 May	La'ó Hamutuk Husu Timor Gap Klarifika bá Públiku Kona-bá Disputa Kontratuál ho ENERPROCO	Hatutan.com	https://www.hatutan.com/2024/05/06/lao-hamutuk-husu-timor-gap-klarifika-ba-publiku-kona-ba-disputa-kontratuál-ho-enerproco/	Interview with Celestino
15 May	Prosesu To'ó Tribunál Arbitrajen Sei iha Risku Kustu Administrativu no Judisiál	Hatutan.com	https://www.hatutan.com/2024/05/15/prosesu-too-tribunal-arbitrajen-sei-ihá-risku-kustu-administrativu-no-judisiál/	Interview with Celestino
17 May	Dezenvolvimentu Seidauk Lori Bem-Estar ba Povú	STL		Interviewed Mariano
20 May	Setór Ekonomia Seidauk La'ó ho Masímu	Tatoli	https://tatoli.tl/2024/05/20/setor-ekonomia-seidauk-lao-ho-masimu/	Interviewed Celestino
20 May	Vinte e Dois Anos de Restauração da Democracia: O Caminho de Timor-Leste	Diligente	https://www.diligenteonline.com/vinte-e-dois-anos-de-restauracao-da-democracia-o-caminho-de-timor-leste/	Interviewed Mariano
May	State of the Media Timor-Leste 2024	Report from ABC and The Asia Foundation	https://asiafoundation.org/publication/state-of-the-media-timor-leste-2024/	Cites LH web page on the media law
21 May	Tinan 22 Restaura Independénsia, TL sei hasoru dezafiu boot iha aspetu ekonomia	GMN-TV Jornal Nacional	https://youtu.be/0vN4FJbpcYI?t=309	Interview with Celestino
21 May	Tinan 22 Timor-Leste Sei hasoru Dezafiu Bo'ot iha Aspektu Ekonomia	GMN	https://www.youtube.com/live/0vN4FJbpcYI	Interviewed Celestino
28 May	Governo Tenki iha Planu Nebe'e Mak Diak Hodi Halo Distribuisaun Ai-moruk ba Agrikultura, no tenki hola Aimoruk ho Kualidade	RTTL,EP	https://www.youtube.com/live/amQzblha3E	Interviewed Mariano
28 May	Sosiedade Sivil Husu Primeiru Ministru Avalia Dezempenu Servisu Membru Governu	Hatutan.com	https://www.hatutan.com/2024/05/28/sosiedade-sivil-husu-primeiru-ministru-avalia-dezempenu-servisu-membru-governu/	Interviewed Celestino
13 Jun	Progresu Sei Posivel Bainhira Hadi'ak Transparénsia no Partisipasaun Públiku iha Prosesu Orsamentál	Tatoli	https://tatoli.tl/2024/06/13/progresu-sei-posivel-bainhira-hadiak-transparensia-no-partisipasaun-publiku-ihá-prosesu-orsamental/	Reprints LH press release
13 Jun	La'ó Hamutuk: Seidauk Iha Transparénsia Ba Prosesu Orsamentál, Hodi Asegura Povú nia Osan	Neon Metin	https://neonmetin.info/buletin/2024/06/13/lao-hamutuk-seidauk-ihá-transparensia-ba-prosesu-orsamental-hodi-asegura-povu-nia-osan/	Reprints LH press release
13 Jun	TL La Konsege Hatudu Mudansa Signifikativu iha Valór Transparénsia	Timor Post	https://timorpost.com/jeral-tl/tp-52678/tl-la-konsege-hatudu-mudansa-signifikativu-ihá-valor-transparensia/	Interview Celestino about LH press release
14 Jun	Rezultadu Survey Orsamentu Nakloke 2023: Progresu Sei Posivel Bainhira Hadi'ak Transparénsia no Partisipasaun Públiku iha Prosesu Orsamentál	Hatutan.com	https://www.hatutan.com/2024/06/14/rezultadu-survey-orsamentu-nakloke-2023-progresu-sei-posivel-bainhira-hadiak-transparensia-no-partisipasaun-publiku-ihá-prosesu-orsamental/	Reprints LH press release
18 Jun	Alkatiri: Tenke Buka Dalan Husu Auditoria ba Projetu Tasi Mane	Independente		Interviewed Celestino
19 Jun	Governu dasia seidauk iha asaun pozitiva ba diversifikasaun ekonomia	Jornal Nacional Diario/GMN		Interviewed Celestino
20 Jun	Observasaun Akadémiku no Sosiedade Sivil ba Kualidade Fiskalizaun Parlamentu Nasional Nian	Independente TV, programa <i>Ko'alia ai</i>	https://www.youtube.com/live/dp3XSb2bFvM	Celestino is panelist

Appendix 3. Presentations and programs by La'ó Hamutuk

Most of these presentations are available from <https://www.laohamutuk.org/pres.htm>.

Below are the events done by La'ó Hamutuk staff during the reporting period.

Topic	Date	Speaker(s) from LH	Event
Analiza Orsamentu Jerál Estadu 2024	March	Marta, Jonas, and Ana Carolina	Three-day training for civil society organized by Oxfam
Adezaun TL ba OMK: Posibilidade sira no Dezvantajen - Oinsá CSO nia perspetiva ba OMK	March	Mariano	Forum Dialogu organized by FONGTIL
Prevene TL ba rai-naruk fiskál (fiscal cliff)	April	Marta	Presentation to Timor-Leste Studies Association (TLSA)
Entre Esperansa no Realidade ba Perfurasaun Mina-Rai no Gas iha Covalima	April	Jonas	Presentation to Timor-Leste Studies Association (TLSA)
Oinsá Halo Advokasia Orsamentu Jerál Estadu	April	Marta and Jonas	Presentation for a workshop organized by The Asia Foundation
OJE liga ho Setór Agrikultura	April	Mariano	Media Tour organized by AJTL and Oxfam
Timor Leste's WTO Accession: Opportunities and Challenges	May	Atino	Presentation for IOB students
TL's sustainability and economic diversification	May	Febe, Marta and Jonas	Public meetings in Natarbora and Laclubar
Rights and Sustainability in Timor-Leste's Development	June	Febe and Mariano	Presented to several groups, visitors and students
The Oil Industry and the Prevention of Climate Change in the Context of TL	June	Jonas	Presentation to OilWatch Regional Assembly