



Managing Director of Lao Law & Consultancy Group, Ms Siri Boutdakham (*third right*), on Friday presents 220 million kip to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment's Personnel Department Director General, Ms Bouankham Vorachit. 100 million kip will go towards the activities of the ministry's Lao Women's Union, and 40 million kip will go to the Department of Geology and Minerals. Meanwhile 30 sets of computers and 10 printers worth 80 million kip will be used for the ministry's Sam Sang (Three Builds) work. -*Photo Boungfaeng Phaymanhivong*



Lao Women's Union Centre President, Ms Sisay Leudetmounsone (*second left*), and more than 2,000 female senior officials from ministries and international organisations and students gather for an aerobics session at the Patouxay Monument in Vientiane on Sunday to mark International Women's Day on March 8.



A boy and his mother push off from the Mekong riverbank in Champassak province to go fishing. --*Photo Phaomab Thevongsaa*



Trainees from various media organisations pose with course instructors at the close of a four-day workshop on layout and graphic design on Friday. The workshop took place at and was financed by the Lao Press in Foreign Languages, aiming to enhance the capacity of Lao media personnel. The newspaper is raising the skill levels of its staff as Laos prepares to participate in the Asian Economic Community in 2015.