

PARTNER OF LABOUR MOVEMENT

Thidar Tun

Migrant Domestic Worker

Nominated by the Centre for Domestic Employees.

Thidar Tun has volunteered with the Centre for Domestic Employees (CDE) since April 2021, focusing on supporting Myanmar Migrant Domestic Workers (MDWs) in Singapore. She demonstrates compassion and dedication in her work, recognising the challenges faced by MDWs due to the political situation in Myanmar.

Sister Thidar noticed a common struggle among Myanmar MDWs regarding technology usage and English language proficiency. To address this, she established a dedicated English learning group where she actively teaches English, creates engaging learning materials, and encourages regular practice. She also assists MDWs in navigating technology, particularly on platforms like Facebook, by translating content and facilitating access to relevant workshops and courses.

Collaborating with the Centre for Domestic Employees (CDE), Sister Thidar promotes upskilling courses and conducts basic English and Mandarin classes for MDWs from Myanmar. She also took the initiative to improve her Mandarin skills, supporting MDWs in adjusting to caring for Mandarin-speaking elderly in their employers' homes.

Beyond language and teaching, Sister Thidar offers employment-related advice to MDWs and employers, connecting them with relevant resources and authorities. Through her efforts, Sister Thidar has significantly contributed to the personal and professional development of many Myanmar MDWs, ultimately enhancing their employability in the long term.