

4 September 2012 - Yorm Bopha was arrested along with her husband Lous Sakhorn relating to an alleged assault of two moto-taxi drivers. She had become a "thorn in the side" of authorities due to her human rights activism and had been told that she would soon face the same fate as fellow activists who had been imprisoned.

PRISONER OF CONSCIENCE

5 September 2012 - Land

activist Tim Sakmony was ar-

rested for allegedly having

made a "false declaration".

Like Yorm Bopha, Ms Sak-

mony was active in protesting

against forced evictions in her

community. The occurrence

of both arrests within a day of

each other has led to claims

that the arrests were politically

motivated.

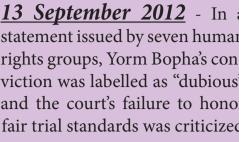


7 September 2012 The Cambodia for Confederation Development Association (CDDA moto-taxi union), rallied in response to claims that Yorm Bopha had been jailed for her anti-eviction activism

13 September 2012 - In a statement issued by seven human rights groups, Yorm Bopha's conviction was labelled as "dubious" and the court's failure to honor fair trial standards was criticized

24 September 2012 - Freedom rallies took place outside the National Assembly, Danish Embassy, German Embassy and the UN Human Rights Office. Petitions were delivered to officials

25 September 2012 - Protestors held spiritual rituals outside the Municipal court for the purpose of cursing the court officials who condemned Yorm Bopha





20 November 2012 Protestors called on Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton during their visit to Cambodia for the ASEAN leaders' summit, to demand that the government release Yorm Bopha

27 December 2012 - Yorm Bopha was found guilty of "intentional violence with aggravating circumstances" under Article 218 of the Cambodian Criminal Code 2009. A series of protests by the Boeung Kak Community



and other supporters ensued



TIMELINE OF KEY EVENTS DURING ONE

YEAR IMPRISONMENT OF CAMBODIAN LAND

RIGHTS ACTIVIST, YORM BOPHA

(4 SEPTEMBER 2012 - 4 SEPTEMBER 2013)

19 March 2013_- In a televised speech, Hun Sen defined Bopha's sentence not as a political issue, but a "simple case of her beating someone up," and acting "unjustly in the eyes of the government"

On the same day Boeng Kak representatives delivered a petition to the King asking to intervene in the case



27 March 2013 - The Supreme Court denied Bopha's second appeal for bail and also ignored her pleas for release on the grounds that she suffered from a heart condition which needed regular treatment

16 May 2013 - The Lawyers Rights Watch Canada wrote to government officials, condemning Yorm Bopha's conviction and the fabricated charges against her. It demanded an impar-

tial appeal hearing 2 June 2013 - CCHR published a legal analysis which stated that the conviction of Yorm Bopha represented a "gross miscarriage of justice"



14 June 2013 - Yorm Bopha's conviction for assault was upheld during the appeal hearing, but her custodial sentence was reduced from three to two years.

21 June - Delegation of international, regional and local participants from IFEX visited Yorm Bopha in prison

17 - 21 June - Participants

of the IFEX international free-

dom of expression conference

in Phnom Penh participated

in a campaign to Free Yorm

Bopha

5 August 2013 - In a public speech, opposition CNRP leader Sam Rainsy demanded Yorm Bopha's release

Cambodian Center for Human Right

8 August 2013 - Along with Boeng Kak community members and Yorm Bopha's son, CNRP parliamentarian Mu Sochua went to visit Yorm Bopha in prison and declared that Bopha's release would be a future topic of negotiation between the CNRP and the ruling CPP



8 September 2012 The UN's Special Rapporteur on Adequate Housing was photo-

graphed with a poster which called for Yorm Bopha's release

6 November 2012 CDDA members submitted letters to the US Embassy and the European Union Delegation, asking them not to intervene in Yorm Bopha's case



7 November 2012 - Yorm Bopha's application for bail was denied and she was ordered to remain in pretrial detention

17 December 2012 -

Amnesty International released an urgent action appeal for the release of Yorm Bopha, who it defined as a 'prisoner of conscience'



13 March 2013 -

Protestors were violently cracked down when security forces attacked them as they marched in front of the Prime Minister's house. At least six people were seriously injured, including Yorm Bopha's husband Lous Sakhorn



26 March 2013 - Amnesty International Holland released a message of solidarity for Yorm Bopha

23 April 2013

CCHR launched its 'Voices for Freedom' campaign, encouraging the public to send messages of support for Yorm Bopha to its radio station to be broadcast live

> **10 May 2013** - Bopha was transferred from Prey Sar prison to the correction center Police Judiciare (PJ)



3 June 2013 - Four housing rights activists sat in front of the Court of Appeal in Phnom Penh and began a hunger strike in the lead up to Yorm Bopha's appeal.

18 June 2013 - Members of the Boeng Kak community clashed with riot police resulting in four members sustaining injuries.

17 June 2013 - Yorm Bopha filed

an appeal to the Supreme Court





4 September - Marks one year since Yorm Bopha has been unfairly imprisoned, despite national and international efforts and a severe lack of evidence to warrant her conviction.