

ANKARA OPEN PRISON AND DETENTION HOUSE

EXPERIMENTATION OF THE SERA Cycle 1 SEQUENCES

Ankara Open Penitentiary Institution is an open penal execution institution with 900 convicts. There are 2 psychologists, 1 social worker in the Psychosocial service and 2 teachers working in the education unit. The total number of employees are approximately 335. Most of the employees work in workshops and working areas outside the institution.

There are 8 different working areas in the prison. Those areas are flower workshop, mushroom workshop, tailor, transportation, cleaning, printing house, iron workshop, engine workshop and restaurant. Convicts who will stay in the institution for a long time are assigned in these working units. Some of these workplaces outside of the prison and convicts go to work places at 7-8 in the morning time and they return from working places around 5 o'clock. There are also short-term convicts staying in the institution, and they are allocated to the process of probation within an average of 1 week.

Convicts who are in the prison during the day are usually those who cause problems in the places they work, who are sick or who have disciplinary punishment and who remain in the institution for a short time. Those convicts who have problems or inconveniences and convicts who stay in the prison for a short time have to work in the prison units such as we cleaning, repairing and garden care in the institution and they work during the day.

Education and psychosocial activities within the institution are applied to convicts who stay in the institution for a long time. It is not possible to do all day training in the institution with the long-term convicts because they work outside the institution. In addition, convicts are not keen on to participate in education and psychosocial activities because they get paid because of their work.

Psychosocial activities are usually carried out with convicts who will stay in prison for a long time but who do not work in a unit. These convicts generally consist of people who have adaptation problems or discipline problems in the jobs they work in. They are generally not interested in education and psychosocial activities. In addition, these people have to work with the short-term convicts in the institution and therefore they cannot continue their education continuously.

The implementation of the "SERA PROJECT" in the institution is therefore divided into 4 hours on Friday and Saturday. An appropriate range was determined by calculating the working hours, visit hours, meal and rest hours during the calculation of these periods. It is not possible to use it all weekends for resting on weekends and for visitors coming.