

STRATEGIC IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS FACT SHEET
Disability Workstream



Project Brief

This project will build on the achievements and lessons learned from ACCESS Phase 1, which was effective in strengthening the relationships, service delivery standards and technical capacity of Cambodian Disabled People's Organisation (CDPO) and Organisation of Persons with Disabilities (OPDs) including women- and youth-led OPDs on disability inclusion, advocacy, organisational development and management, and increasing access to essential services including social protection program.

CDPO will work collaboratively with different government partners, non-government organizations at the national level and provide capacity building to its OPDs network nationwide including women- and youth-led OPDs to work effectively at the sub-national level in term of advocacy to access social protection, improve inclusive commune investment plan, and other vital services.

Project Outcomes

1. Strengthen the capacity and coordination of OPDs, especially women- and youth-led OPDs, to advocate for disability inclusion and social protection at the national and sub-national levels.
2. Increase the knowledge and understanding of policy makers, service providers, and the public on disability related issues, including the National Disability Strategic Plan 3, the social protection program, and the rights of persons with disabilities, women, children, and persons with autism.

Key Activities

1. Coordination with ACCESS2 and DFAT-funded program "Ponlok Chomnes": Seek technical support for analyzing disability inclusion in Cambodia's social protection systems using data from OPDs, government, and NGOs.
2. Quarterly Meetings for OPDs: Foster a shared understanding of disability-inclusive social protection; Facilitate policy dialogues between OPDs and government agencies.
3. Youth-Led OPDs: Strengthen and sustain the nationwide OPD Network; Collaborate with Advocacy and Policy Institute API for capacity building, advocacy, and social protection updates.
4. Enhancing OPD Roles and Communication: Improve access to information through the Voice of Persons with Disability (VPD) Radio Channel; Support data management and communication skills for OPDs.

5. Awareness and Advocacy: Organize campaigns and events on disability-related issues; develop and disseminate informational materials.
6. Network Building: Establish partnerships with stakeholders (OPDs, NGOs, media, academia) to promote disability issues and share best practices.
7. Empowerment: Enable participation of persons with disabilities (including women, children, and those with autism) in decision-making and advocacy.

Beneficiaries

1. Direct: 77 OPDs include Women and Children with Disability Foundation (Youth-led OPDs and Women-led OPDs) gain knowledge on new methodology on inclusive social protection and Commune Investment Program (CIP)/the Implementation of the Social Accountability Framework (ISAF).
2. Indirect: 1,000 Self Help Groups (SHG) with all types of disabilities of 77 OPDs/WWDFs are indirect beneficiaries. All members of people with disabilities in all 25 provinces and their families will increase and aware with inclusive social protection, ID Poor and disability identification, and CIP. The Authorities at sub-national level are aware of disability inclusion.

Geographic Location

The main target provinces included Kampong Speu, Siem Reap, Kampong Cham, and Ratanakiri. OPDs network nationwide.

Project Partners

Government Institutions: Disability Action Council (DAC), National Social Assistance Fund (NSAF), Department of Welfare for Persons with Disabilities (DWPD) of Ministry of Social Affairs, Veterans and Youth Rehabilitation (MoSVY), Department of Identification of Poor Households of Ministry of Planning (MoP), General Secretariat-National Social Protection Council (GS-NSPC), The National Committee for Sub-national Democratic Development (NCDD) of Ministry of Interior (MOI).

NGOs: Advocacy and Policy Institute (API)

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