



People's Action for Inclusive Development (PAfID)

DISABILITY INCLUSION WORKSTREAM

Australia–Cambodia Cooperation for Equitable Sustainable Services - Phase 2

PAfID'S ACCESS 2 WORK

PAfID, a local disability and development organisation, strengthens subnational capacity for disability inclusion. It builds the organisational capacity of Organisations of Persons with Disabilities (OPDs) and resources them to run local programs, raising community awareness, referring persons with disabilities to services and advocating for their needs. The project promotes collaboration between Provincial Disability Action Councils, local authorities, NGOs and the private sector and supports access to social protection programs. Learning forums promote disability mainstreaming across sectors and OPDs are supported to bring the voices of persons with disabilities into local development planning and decision-making.

KEY OUTCOMES

- OPDs and local partners have stronger capacity to advocate for the rights of persons with disabilities.
- Stronger OPD capacity improves access to public services and disability mainstreaming across sectors.
- Increase sectoral knowledge and multi-sector collaboration for disability inclusion.

KEY DETAILS



Duration

Jan 2024 – Jun 2028



Locations

Siem Reap, Kampong Cham, Kampong Speu, Battambang, Ratanakiri



Direct Beneficiaries

3,032

Project Spotlight

Disability Inclusion Promoters

Twenty-five persons with disabilities trained as Disability Inclusion Promoters raise awareness, refer people to services and advocate with commune councils. Their initiatives reached 579 persons with disabilities in early 2026.



KEY ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE (to June 2026)

40

Commune Disability Representatives recruited and engaged in commune planning processes

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Public buildings assessed for accessibility

2,992

Persons with disabilities supported to access social protection and related services

-  Communes and local services funded ten accessible toilets and a ramp from their own budgets.
-  OPD-led accessibility audits are turning into government spending, with a facilitator's guide now the standard tool for evidencing barriers.
-  Four commune councils began funding travel for their disability representatives.
-  Twenty-five persons with disabilities trained as Disability Inclusion Promoters lifted their knowledge scores from 32% to 76% and now run their own sessions, reaching 579 people in 2026.

WHO BENEFITS



Direct

Organisations of Persons with Disabilities receiving capacity development and program support.



Indirect

Persons with disabilities, including women and Indigenous people, accessing services through better referrals.



I am happy to be a voice for people with disabilities, raise their needs and issues, and request that the commune council include these in the Commune Investment Plan.

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