

Gender and Social Inclusion in Urban Sanitation

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Organisation: Cambodian Disabled People's Organisation (CDPO)

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CDPO Background



- Established in 1994
- A movement of Cambodian Persons with disabilities
- Non-government organization
- Representing people with disabilities in Cambodia workings towards becoming "the voice of Persons with disabilities in Cambodia".
- CDPO has a network of 75 DPOs including 11 Women with Disabilities Forums (WWDFs) in all 25 provinces/city around Cambodia and 1,000 Self Help Groups (SHG). In total over 20,000 members of people with disability.
- <u>WWW.CDPO.Org/</u> FB; Cambodian Disabled People's Organisation

CDPO Network/membership











Challenges

- Barriers are still faced by persons with disabilities
- Limited understanding of rights
- Some NGOs, CSOs and Private Sector lack inclusive WASH
- Limited budget for projects
- Lawmakers' awareness of disability remains low
- Implementation of disability laws and policies is not yet widespread
- Access to education is still limited

The ways forward

- Continue awareness raising to stakeholders and other partners on Inclusive WASH.
- Reduce environmental barriers through public awareness and training.
- Find opportunities for new projects on urban Inclusive WASH (sanitation, handwashing facilities etc..).
- Build capacity of our DPOs to lobby government on Inclusive WASH.
- Promote positive attitudes towards persons with disabilities.
- Encourage and develop media to promote disability rights on WASH.
- Ensure that persons with disabilities have access to high quality health care services that are gender sensitive and without discrimination.

My fantasy life



We all are fighters, all of you here today and the future to move forward to leave no one behind and inclusive!