

Strengthening inclusion through working with Disabled Persons' Organisations on WASH programs

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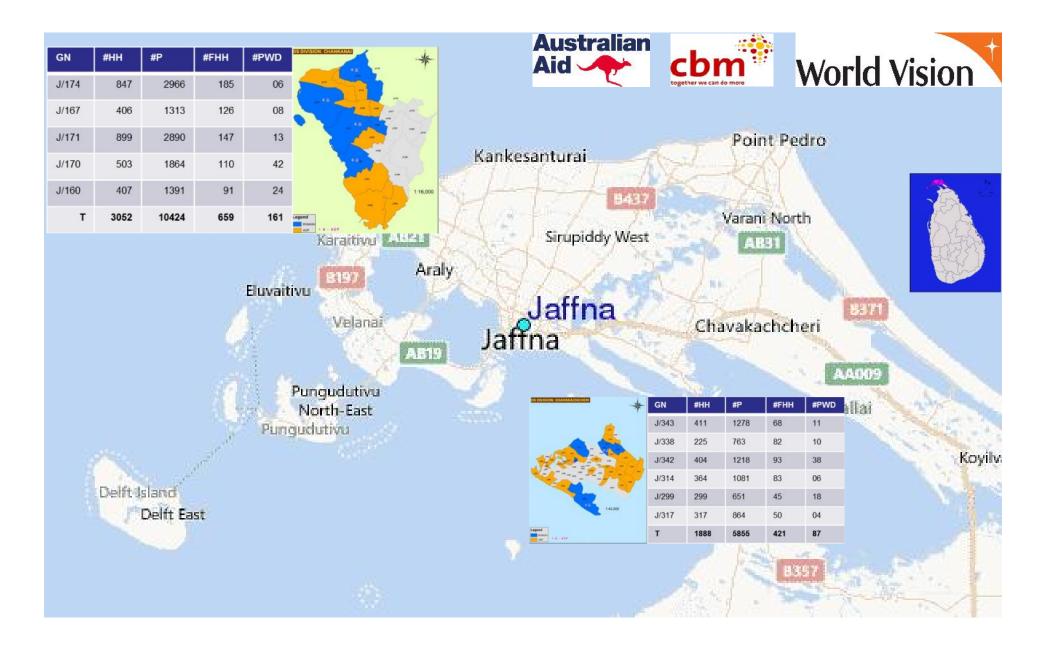
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Screening, Identification, MOU with Disabled People's Organisations



Signing MoU with NPCODA



Photo: Training participants on CRPD



 Identify DPO partners in the Northern Province then undertook DPO partner capacity assessments.

- MOU signed between NPCODA and Deaf Link and WVL
- CBM and WVL gave training to DPOs on Disability Inclusive Development (DID) and UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)
- Established and strengthened resource pool at NPCODA



Empowering and mobilising Disabled People's Organisations



DPO members collecting data



NPCODA involved in Disability Inclusive awareness raising.

CIVIL SOCIETY

• NPCODA structure strengthened by:

- National accreditation and recognition;
- Resources to provide DID training; and
- Ability to pay their own staff.
- WV supported NPCODA with:
 - office resources, project management mentoring; and
 - logistics to facilitate contact between DPOs, district and local government.
- Capacity building DPOs
 - action plan development
 - ToT on disability rights (UNCRPD)
 - exposure visit
 - symposium event
 - facilitation of community based awareness

DID – Disability Inclusive Development





Partnership with NPCODA



DPO members in District project steering committees



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CIVIL SOCIETY

- Screening person with disabilities
- Technical Supervision for Toilet construction
- IEC material bill board
- Community Awareness
- In-depth assessment on disability inclusive in WASH
- Capacity building on member organization
- District / Divisional Steering Committee and Coordination meetings
- Enumerators in Surveys

NPCODA: Northern Province Consortium of Organizations for Differently Abled





Best outcome – Research on Disability inclusive in WASH

MILE STONES

- NPCODA trained and guided by WVL
- Questionnaire reviewed and approved by CBM Australia.
- 163 person with disabilities , 78 person without disability and 10 Govt. Officials were interviewed
- Draft report reviewed by CBM Australia and WVL
- Shared with Change Agents for feedback
- A supplementary report on in-depth assessment on disability was developed by CBM Australia



Key Findings

- Women with disabilities experience increased and additional barriers to enjoying to their WASH rights
- People with disabilities experience may challenge many challenges accessing WASH facilities.
- Institutional gaps relating to disability inclusion
- Challenges to meaningful participation
- Providing inclusive WASH environment

Outcomes

- Understand the complex interaction of factors preventing many people with disabilities accessing WASH services
- NPCODA now have the experience to be able undertake in-depth assessments
- NPCODA have received further funding from other sources to raise awareness on disability for the Northern Provincial Government.





Partnership with Deaf - Link





- Develop IEC Materials
 - Safe Hand washing practice in Sign Language
 - Braille document on safe hand washing practice
- Training on GoSL officials on basic sign language
- Schools Special Education Unit awareness programme



Deaf Link: Deaf Link is arm of Methodist Church, Sri Lanka. It is established to help the Deaf & Differently abled people to attain equal status with others.





Outcome of DPO partnership



Household toilet with universal access



Accessibility Audit

- Increased understanding of disability
- Change Agents (GoSL) increased acceptance and adaption of disability inclusive **Supply**
- Community increased knowledge and application on disability rights **Demand**
- Improved and accessibility sanitation facilities for 58 Person with Disabilities
- Strengthened NPCODA
 - WASH experience
 - Key Change Agent for Coordination
 - Accessibility Audit
 - Advocacy agency
 - Project Management
- Increased knowledge on safe hand washing practice for 250 people and 2000 students who are visual impairment





Lesson Learning of DPO Partnership



NPCODA leads disability forum meeting in North



Key Findings discussion of disability studies with change agents



 Misunderstanding of "disability inclusive in WASH" since WVL new for DPO partnership and NPCODA and Deaf Link for WASH in early stage.

- High managing expectation WASH technical capacity on WASH of NPCODA and Deaf Link
- NPCODA represents wide area northern part of Sri Lanka which led to difficulties to focus our village operations
- Operations of NPCODA
 - Since new consortium organization, need to invest more time, resource and budget
 - Second level leadership
- WVL Global new systems, procedure and approaches

