



Key expected outcomes

- 637 poor households and 600 extreme poor households in kurigram and Sitakund Chittagong are graduated.
- 3000 extreme poor or poor people with disabilities are participating in livelihood activities by mainstream organizations.
- 53 Self-Help Group (SHG) and 8 Disabled People's Organization (DPO) have increased capacity and advocate for the rights of people with disabilities.
- Conduct Randomized-Control Trial (RCT) to produce first robust evidence on the effectiveness of using a disability inclusive poverty alleviation graduation model.
- Household, community and institutional based disability inclusive Disaster Risk Management (DRM) initiatives to ensure resilient livelihood.

Handicap International Humanity & Inclusion (HI)

Handicap International-Humanity & Inclusion (HI) is a non-governmental organization (INGO) that was founded in 1982, was corecipient of the Nobel Peace prize in 1997 and now develops humanitarian and development programs in 60 countries. Independent and impartial, our organization is working alongside vulnerable populations and persons with disabilities. Our action and testimony are focused on responding to their essential needs, improving their living conditions and promoting respect for their dignity and fundamental rights.

HI has been working at improving universal access to mainstream services like health, education and for socio economic empowerment of extreme poor people with disabilities.



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Project's background

"Taking Successful Innovation to Scale-Pathways for Disability-Inclusive Graduation out of Poverty" is a 4 years (2018-2022) project. Prior to this third phase project, HI Bangladesh implemented first phase "Socio-Economic Empowerment of Extreme Poor People with Disabilities (SHIREE)" project from 2011 to 2014 and second phase "Global Poverty Action Fund (GPAF)" implemented from April 2015 to March 2018. Now this phase is implementing in 10 districts (Kurigram, Chittagong, Rangpur, Dinajpur, Thakurgaon, Lalmonirhat, Gaibandha, Mymensingh, Sherpur, Jamalpur) of Bangladesh in collaboration with Young Power in Social Action, Islamic Relief Bangladesh, Helvetas Swiss Incorporation and Disabled Peoples Organizations.

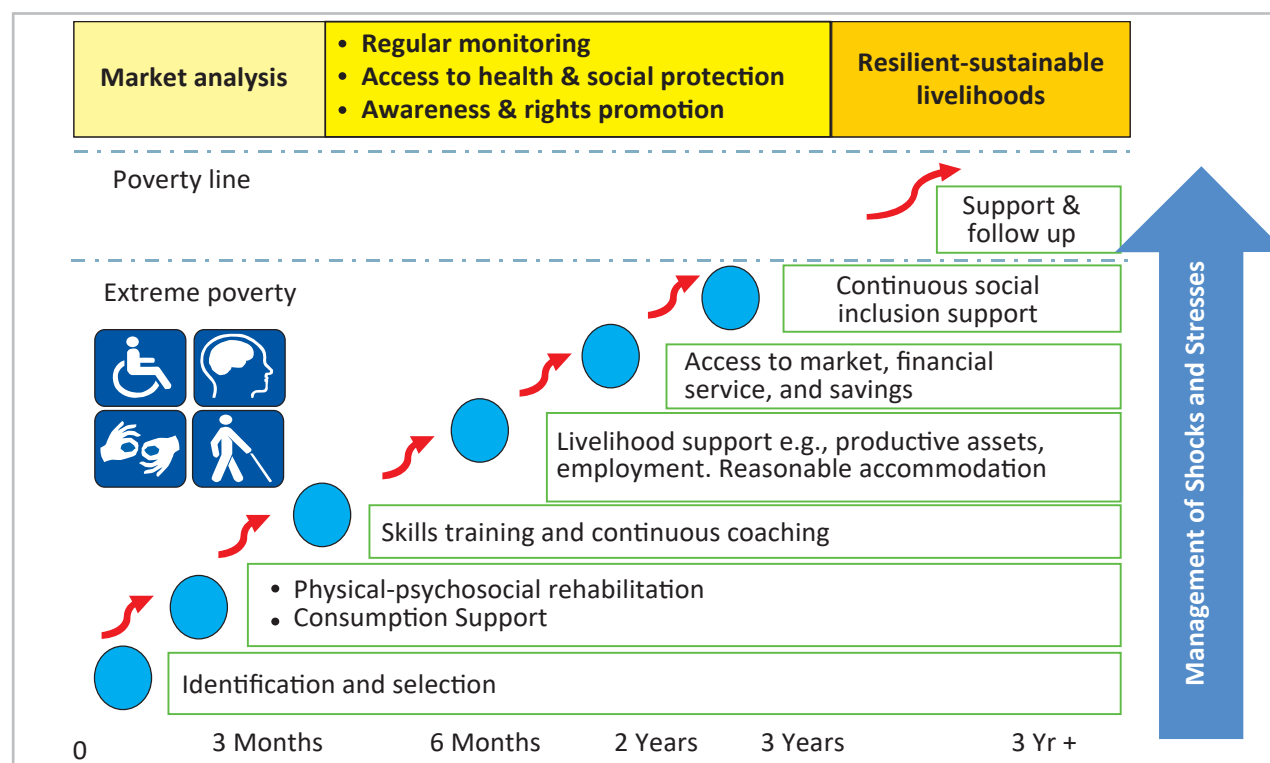
Project outcome

Households including persons with disabilities in Kurigram and Chittagong districts will graduate out of extreme poverty and poverty, have better access to services, and are less vulnerable to shocks and natural disasters.

Targeted beneficiaries

Total of 4,237 beneficiaries (1,237 direct households; 3,000 households through mainstreaming partners in collaboration with HI).

Disability-inclusive graduation model



Project modalities

Modality I: Direct implementation of disability-inclusive poverty graduation model, in close collaboration with Disabled People's Organizations (DPOs). Under this direct implementation project target is 1237 extreme poor and poor households in Ulipur and Kurigram Sadar of Kurigram & Sitakund in Chittagong district.

Modality II: Ensure economic empowerment of women beneficiaries through building women's human capital and capabilities, redistributing reproductive responsibilities, and strengthening the caring role of fathers.

Modality III: Mainstreaming this model into the livelihood programming of mainstream development organisations HELVETAS, YPSA and Islamic Relief. Through setting disability inclusive benchmarks and technical assistance, at least 3000 households of people with disabilities will be supported through this modality.

Modality IV: Undertaking a systematic capacity development process of DPOs to promote sustainability and as an entry point to access people with disabilities. DPOs will also support mainstream development organizations.

Modality V: Conduct Randomized-Control Trial (RCT) to produce first robust evidence on the effectiveness of using a disability-inclusive poverty alleviation graduation model.