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# Gender and Social Inclusion in Urban Sanitation

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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.
- [WWW.CDPO.Org/](http://WWW.CDPO.Org/) 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!*