

Tool: Disability sensitive indicators for the Water and Sanitation sector

A reminder about definitions used is available at the end of this section

In general

If our goal is to include disability in development cooperation, we need to establish disability sensitive indicators. Disability sensitive indicators will be used in combination with:

- Disability sensitive targets
- Disability disaggregated data/ sources of information which are disability sensitive

This tool gives a selection of possible indicators that could be adapted for individual situations depending on the sector and the context. The authors are aware of the crucial nature of indicators; the need to harmonise with other countries, not to increase the burden of work for governments, etc.

These indicators are presented as a list of options to be used or adapted as and when necessary as disability components and targets are introduced to various projects and sectors.

Sample disability sensitive indicators for the Water and Sanitation sector

Type/level of indicator	Indicator
Input	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of policy/ project/ program on inclusion of people with disabilities in water and sanitation services <p>Or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of policy/ project/ program for disability specific water and sanitation services • Expenditure on development of policy/ project/ program on inclusion of people with disabilities in water and sanitation services <p>Or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expenditure on Development of policy/ project/ program for disability specific water and sanitation services
Output	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of water facilities adapted or constructed that are

	<p>accessible for people with disabilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of sanitation facilities adapted or constructed that are accessible for people with disabilities • Number of public services (schools, health facilities etc.) adapted or constructed that are accessible to people with disabilities • Number of officials, services providers, water and sanitation managers trained on disability inclusion in the water and sanitation sector • Involvement of people with disabilities and disabled peoples organisations in decision making processes
Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of households with person with disability with access to safe water • Number of households with person with disability with access to safe sanitation • Number of people with disabilities using services that they did not use before the program was implemented because of non- accessibility • Number of people suffering from water and hygiene related diseases causing disabilities before and after the program implementation (e.g. diarrhoea and infectious diseases)
Impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Persons with disabilities have equal access to Water and Sanitation services as other people in their community, which results, as for others, in an improved quality of life, and improved state of health • The number of people infected by water and hygiene related diseases is reduced

REMINDER - INPUT / OUTPUT / OUTCOME / IMPACT

While different classifications for indicators exist, we use here the typology suggested by the European Commission¹.

¹ Guideline for the use of indicators in country performance assessment, December 2002

