

## Multi-Annual Programme (MAP) on The Meaningful Participation and Inclusion of Children and Youths with Disabilities in All Domains of Community Based Rehabilitation

### Background:

All children and youths have hopes and dreams, including children and youths with disabilities. Every child and youth with a disability deserves a fair opportunity to reach their potential and turn their dreams into reality. When given that chance, they are more than capable of overcoming barriers to their inclusion. Unfortunately, far too many children and youths with disabilities are denied the opportunity to participate in society. They are often the last to receive essential resources and services, especially in settings where these are already scarce. Too frequently, they are seen as objects of pity or, worse, subjected to discrimination and abuse.

Inclusion is possible, but it requires a shift in perception—recognizing children and youths with disabilities as agents of change and self-determination rather than mere recipients of charity. Their voices must be heard. In this context, the Multi-Annual Programme (MAP) is designed to empower children and youth with disabilities, along with their caregivers, by strengthening their voice, agency, and resilience, enabling them to confidently claim their rights.

MAP will adopt the Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR) approach to mobilize communities, fostering an environment that supports the full participation of children and youth with disabilities. It focuses on structural improvements and systemic changes in their environments to ensure long-term inclusion and accessibility.

The program will run for five years, from January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2029. The Centre for Disability in Development (CDD) will serve as the grant manager, with Liliane Fonds providing financial support for the program.

### Multi Annual Program (MAP):

**Goal:** Children and youth with disabilities enjoy an improved quality of life and achieve their full potential irrespective of gender, age and form of disability.

### Outcome:

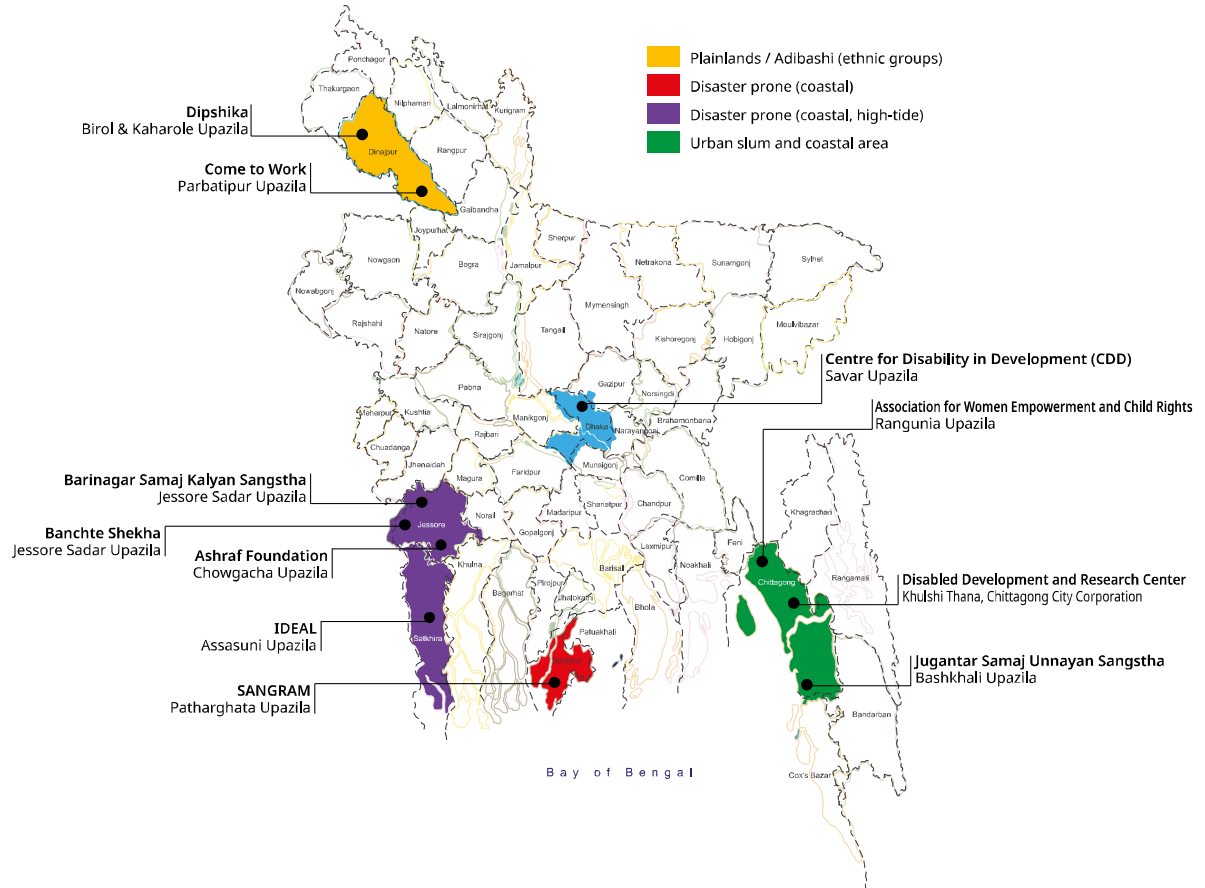
1. **Children and Youth with Disabilities access** quality services and achieve developmental milestones in health, learning and daily life activities across all levels of society
2. **Children and Youth with Disabilities (and their caregivers)** are using equal access to rights and opportunities that enhance their economic resilience, protection and social inclusion in society -- including prioritization during emergencies
3. **Children and Youth with Disabilities (and their caregivers)** are empowered to participate and self-advocate in different levels of decision making

Programme Approach and Key Interventions	
1. CBR Approach: Local solutions for local problems.	2. Inclusive local government, community engagement and social accountability
3. Strengthening referral network of services for children and youths with disabilities	4. Inclusive Rural Development including Livelihood Programs
5. Reaching all children and youths with disabilities regardless of their diversity.	6. Empowering young people with disabilities and caregivers through mobilization, leadership development and community internship opportunities.
7. Early Identification and Intervention for children (at risk of) disabilities.	8. Alternative communication support for children and youths with disabilities including Sign Language.
9. Access to rehabilitation, general and mental health services.	10. Capacity strengthening support for children and youths with disabilities, caregivers, service providers

Programme Approach and Key Interventions	
11. Reproductive health care and protection of the sexual rights of young people with disabilities	12. Local resource mobilization and fundraising
13. Access to education for children and youths with disabilities– pre-school, primary and secondary.	14. Disability Inclusive Risk Reduction

Organizational Approach and Key Interventions	
Partnership Circle for systemic change through networking, resource sharing and advocacy.	Evidence Based Approach
Risk understanding and Compliance Management	Participatory and inclusive MEAL
Inclusive safeguarding and gender sensitivity	Inclusive Feedback and Response Mechanism

**Geographic Coverage & Implementing Partners:**



**Project Target:**

