



**Network of Organisations
Working for People
with Disabilities,
Pakistan**

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Executive Summary

In 2012, NOWPDP undertook a number of initiatives in collaboration with the government. The Special CNIC registration drive was a first-of-its-kind initiative in which over 1,000 people with disabilities (PWDs) were registered for Special CNIC's through a one-window operation, bypassing the need for them to visit three different government departments. Moreover, NOWPDP published a Special CNIC Brochure to create awareness among PWDs about the procedure for registering for Special CNICs.

Furthermore, NOWPDP collaborated with the Government of Sindh Special Education Department, the Commissioner of Karachi Division and Institute of Architects, Pakistan To make Karachi a city that provides access to people with disabilities, through regulation reform and upgrading infrastructure. Additionally, NOWPDP initiated its skills development and market access project – heARTwork – in collaboration with the Community Development Program – Government of Sindh (CDP).

Moreover, NOWPDP initiated The Rickshaw Project which aims to create employment for PWDs and serve as an advocacy platform through which the unequal treatment and negative social perceptions of PWDs can be challenged and ultimately changed. Lastly, NOWPDP continued its implementation of the Education Development Improvement Programme – Gilgit-Baltistan, where in 2012, where impact assessment of the program was conducted in the districts of Gilgit and Hunza-Nagar.



Special CNIC Registration Drive organized by NOWPDP

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1. Special CNIC Registration Drive

Goal

NOWPDP partnered with the Government of Sindh – Special Education Department, Social Welfare Department, Labor Department, and NADRA to host the Special CNIC Registration Drive that registered over 1,000 disabled citizens. The aim was to eradicate the visits to three government departments – the customary process for obtaining a Special CNIC and offer a “one-window” operation to register the participants for their Special CNIC within a few hours, and to raise awareness about the rights of differently-abled that NOWPDP also highlighted through ‘Know Your Rights’ Brochure.

NOWPDP operated as the implementation partner in the Registration Drive, by taking initiative for promotions, logistics and coordination with stakeholders and participants. This Special CNIC Registration Drive marked the beginning of a larger campaign by the partners to register 10,000 people with disabilities across Sindh for their Special CNIC.

Impact

It featured the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the partners for the registration campaign, in the presence of prominent government officials. The comparatively faster process enabled the recipients of the Special CNIC to avail the discounts and benefits offered by the Government. The partners will also be working to increase the benefits availed by Special CNIC holders.

2. Special CNIC Brochure

Goal

Special CNIC Guide Brochure – a NOWPDP initiative – was created to:

- Create awareness among disabled citizens of Pakistan regarding steps required for registering for Special Computerized National Identity Card (a recent initiative of Government of Pakistan).
- Guide regarding the processes, required documents and places to go to obtain the SCNIC.

Our Contribution

Three sections, each listing a two-three step process for registering, consist of different regions of Pakistan, along with respective contact details:

- Sindh
- Punjab
- Balochistan
- Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
- FATA
- Gilgit-Baltistan
- Islamabad
- Azad Jammu and Kashmir

3. Making Karachi an Accessible City

Goal

To make Karachi a city that provides access to people with disabilities, through regulation reform and upgrading infrastructure.

Our Contribution

In April 2012, NOWPDP, the Government of Sindh Special Education Department, the Commissioner of Karachi Division and Institute of Architects, Pakistan announced a campaign to make Karachi an accessible city.

To achieve this, a standing subcommittee was formed with the following mandate:

- To research international accessibility measures and, based on them, make recommendations for making Karachi an internationally-renowned accessible city
- To identify the short term measures to be undertaken to make Karachi a disability friendly City
- To identify the buildings/public places controlled by public/private sector with specific recommendations to ensure implementation of accessibility codes/and to make them disability friendly.
- Implement building regulations that improve the level of accessibility of public buildings and transport, and implement procedures to ensure compliance with the amended building regulations.

4. Skills Development and Market Access– heARTwork

In June 2012, NOWPDP and the Community Development Program – Government of Sindh (CDP) embarked on a skills development journey. Building upon NOWPDP’s network of 200 disability organizations across Pakistan, NOWPDP proposed a project – funded by CDP – to provide market access for 5 special education schools creating products made by people with disabilities. By doing this, 200 people with disabilities studying at the institutions will develop skills relevant to the market; increasing their chances of employment.

Project Objective

- People with disabilities are able to generate income through use of market-relevant skills (200)
- Partner schools increase ability to teach relevant skills to their students (5)

NOWPDP currently works with 200 disability organizations (including schools) across Pakistan to improve the opportunities available to people with disabilities. The following objectives are related to this project:

- Providing a platform for the organizations to collaborate and to improve the capacity of the organizations to achieve their objectives.
- Increasing employment opportunities for people with disabilities

Long-term Impact

- People with disabilities are able to be recognized as financial contributors to families
- Special education schools and vocational training centers have increased revenue through the sale of products in new markets

This will be measured through indicators like:

- Number/percentage of students gaining employment after graduation
- Change in perceptions of people with disabilities being able to contribute financially by families
- Change in revenue at schools from sale of products

5. The Rickshaw Project

The Rickshaw Project was born as a reaction in the summer of 2012. It is a project which would not only create employment opportunities for PWDs, but also establish a platform through which the unequal treatment and negative social perceptions of PWDs can be challenged and ultimately changed. By creating a moving, functioning example of mainstreaming, PWDs will not only be integrated into mainstream society through employment, but will lead this process of challenge and change.

Rationale of the Project

To integrate PWDs into mainstream society via employment, and therefore enabling them to challenge and change negative perceptions of disability in our society.

Objectives

- To empower people with disabilities through employment
- Providing a platform for change in perceptions and attitudes towards disability through example, sensitization, and advocacy
- To achieve the above in a financially sustainable and profitable manner by offering a dial-a-rickshaw service to the public

Outcome

- Personal, Social, Psychological and occupational well-being of PWDs.
- Equal opportunity of employment for PWDs.
- Removal of stigma related to PWDs (e.g., unnecessary guilty remunerations for PWDs from parents and the society at large),
- Community sensitization related to PWDs. Sensitization of caregivers, teachers, parents, students, employers etc.
- Legislation related to PWDs (Commercial driving license for PWDs, inclusive infrastructure etc).

6. Education Development Improvement Programme – Gilgit/Baltistan

Impact Assessment studies as part of EDIP continued through 2012. The study was carried out in two districts of Gilgit-Baltistan (Gilgit and Hunza-Nagar), where four students with disabilities were chosen to develop case studies. To ensure gender balance, two boys and two girls were selected for the study. District Gilgit and District Hunza-Nagar were selected due to the ethnic diversity; there is mixed population of Sunni, Shiaa, Ismailies, Christians, and Ahmadies in Gilgit, while in Hunza-Nagar there is the population of Ismailies and Shiaalsnashiri.

7. Audited Accounts

NETWORK OF ORGANISATIONS WORKING FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, PAKISTAN
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT JUNE 30, 2012

	Note	2012 Rupees	2011 Rupees
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Equipment	4	1,204,349	208,696
CURRENT ASSETS			
Prepayments	5	382,370	40,155
Receivable from Agha Khan Foundation, Pakistan		510	510
Cash and bank balances	6	5,275,914	4,814,535
		5,658,794	4,855,200
		<u>6,863,143</u>	<u>5,063,896</u>
CAPITAL & LIABILITIES			
Accumulated surplus		4,166,781	4,057,916
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Temporary Bridging Loan		2,448,565	715,500
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors, accrued expenses and other liabilities	7	247,797	290,480
Contingencies	8	-	-
		<u>6,863,143</u>	<u>5,063,896</u>

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the annexed notes.

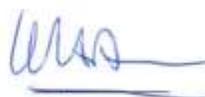
President



General Secretary



Treasurer



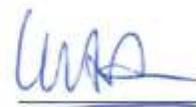

**NETWORK OF ORGANISATIONS WORKING FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, PAKISTAN
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

	Note	2012 Rupees	2011 Rupees
Income	9	13,694,967	10,896,942
Expenditure			
Administration	10	(1,838,131)	(1,823,588)
Program	11	(11,747,971)	(5,007,624)
		(13,586,102)	(6,831,212)
Surplus for the year		108,865	4,065,730
Accumulated surplus / (deficit) brought forward		4,057,916	(7,814)
Accumulated surplus carried forward		4,166,781	4,057,916

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President


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