

Implementation of gender issues in LIGHT FOR THE WORLD's programme support

LIGHT FOR THE WORLD aims at an inclusive society and strives for a world in which persons with disabilities have a decent life, participate equally in society, and have access to their rights.

Within this work LIGHT FOR THE WORLD is committed to ensure that women and men, as well as girls and boys, equally benefit.

In the reflections on gender and disability in the programme of LIGHT FOR THE WORLD, several concrete steps have been taken to ensure that women and gender equality resonates in our programme support:

Inclusion of women & gender issues in the strategic planning of programme support

During the development of new Country Strategy Papers

- Gender specific data are included.
- The section "Poverty & Development" which states human development data includes gender specific data.
- The situation analysis on disability explicitly includes information on gender and disability.
- Each of the four dimensions of our support (Service, Mainstreaming, Empowerment, and Inclusive Society) contains a reflection on the implications for women and men, girls and boys.
- The focus areas (eye health, rehabilitation, inclusive education, inclusive development and rights of persons with disabilities) and specifically the envisaged results of LIGHT FOR THE WORLD's support reflect women's rights and gender issues.

Inclusion of gender issues in the annual programme planning of LIGHT FOR THE WORLD

The Annual Work Plan, each (new) theme or programme, contains an analysis on how the programme will affect women, men, girls and boys, and what measures could be taken to ensure that all are included.

Inclusion of gender issues in the selection and assessment of proposals by project partners

In the internal 'Partner and Project Assessment Sheets' to select and assess proposals by project partners, gender is one of the cross-cutting issues on which the assessment of partners and new projects is based. Moreover, programme coordinators check if gender is included in the project's monitoring and evaluation system.