



China



MANDATE

In China, HI's objective is to work alongside government and civil society partners to provide direct support to the most vulnerable groups in the poorest rural areas of the country, and lobby government and civil society for more effective policies in those areas. Our projects aim to develop more inclusive development policies where the rights of persons with disabilities to equal participation in society are respected. Concrete actions in the field of physical rehabilitation, access to education and employment, and social integration alongside support to Disabled Persons' Organisations and UNCRPD advocacy are currently ongoing. We are also continuing to provide medical rehabilitation to the survivors of the 2014 Yunnan earthquake and supporting their ongoing social inclusion.

SITUATION

There are more than 85 million persons with disabilities¹ in China and the majority live in poverty. According to the latest China National Sample Survey on Disability (2006), the average annual income per person with disabilities is currently less than half of the average for Chinese citizens. Only 1/3 of persons needing rehabilitation services in China have access to them, and only 1/5 of persons needing an assistive device (crutch, wheelchair) can afford it. Similar figures apply for people with disability access to education and employment.

BACKGROUND

HI has been working in China for more than 15 years. Starting with emergency projects following natural disasters in Guangxi, Inner Mongolia and Heilongjiang provinces, HI progressively developed a longer term development strategy in the country focusing primarily on Western China.

KEY FACTS

Human development index (HDI)*	90/188 classified countries
Life expectancy*	76
Gross National Income per capita * (PPA\$)	13,345 \$/ year
Population**	1.371 billion
Surface area**	9,596,961 sq.km

Convention on the Rights of Person with Disabilities (CRPD)	Ratified : 1 August 2008
Convention on cluster munitions (Oslo)	Not joined
Mine ban treaty (Ottawa)	Not joined

*Human Development Report 2016

** UNSD Population and Vital Statistics Report 2016

STAFF HI²

- National staff employed: 7
- Expatriates employed: 2

¹ Communiqué on major statistics of the second China national sample survey on disability. Beijing: Leading Group of the Second China National Sample Survey on Disability & National Bureau of Statistics of the People's Republic of China; 2006.

² Only the staff on labour contract. It does not include consultants and persons under service contracts.

Capacity building, rights advocacy and partnership



Mental health

GOAL

People with mental health problems are supported to enable their inclusion and participation in all aspects of community life.

METHOD

- Empowering people with mental health problems and their family members for their social participation and voicing out their needs.
- Strengthening the collaboration between multiple actors and enhancing the Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) partners' contribution to the governance of the policy development and implementation process for a more inclusive China.
- Through the CSOs' advocacy effort, a comprehensive service strategy on mental health piloted by the project is adopted by the local authorities to support the participation and social inclusion of people with mental health problems.

TYPE OF INTERVENTION

Directly with populations	
Service or care: no	Distribution: no

Through partners		
Technical support: yes	Donation of equipment: no	Financial support: yes

BENEFICIARIES

People with mental health problems and their family, social workers, primary health workers, civil society organizations, academics, service providers, local governments and the community.

PARTNERS

- Yunnan Disabled Persons' Federation
- New World Clubhouse

LOCATION

Yunnan and national level

FINANCING

Financing secured until:-	30/6/2019
Extension (subject to funding) for another year at least:-	No



Disability, gender and sexuality in China

GOAL

Improve people with disabilities and their families' access to information on gender, sexuality, sexual and reproductive health (SRH) and sexual rights, understood as an evolving set of entitlements that contribute to the equality and dignity of all people.

METHOD

- Improve the knowledge on gender and sexuality, sexual and reproductive health (SRH) and HIV/AIDS of people with disabilities and their family members with the aim to protect their rights.
- Improve service provider's knowledge on disability, gender and sexuality to ensure their capability to provide quality services and support the needs of people with disabilities.
- Raise public and stakeholders' awareness on SRH needs and rights of people with disabilities to advocate for further interventions in this area.

TYPE OF INTERVENTION

Directly with populations	
Service or care : no	Distribution : no

Through partners		
Technical support : yes	Donation of equipment : yes ³	Financial support : yes

BENEFICIARIES

People with disabilities and their families, professional staff, civil society organizations, academics, service providers, local government and general public

PARTNERS

- One Plus One Beijing Disabled Persons' Cultural Development Center
- National Association of Parent's Organizations of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities
- Nurturing Relationship

³ Donation of computers to the partners.

LOCATION

Beijing and National level

FINANCING

Financing secured until :	31/11/2018
Extension (subject to funding) for another year at least :	No



Support the development of parents' organizations of people with intellectual disabilities and autism

GOAL

Support education service users and providers in promoting the enforcement and monitoring the implementation of Article 24 of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with disabilities (CRPD)⁴.

METHOD

- Capacity building of groups of parents of children with disabilities to influence the quality of education
- Support education service providers to more effectively fulfil their duty to include children with disabilities and protect their right to education while promoting equal access to education to both boys and girls with disabilities and an education environment safe from violence and abuse
- Establish a national level multi-stakeholder dialogue mechanism to jointly mobilize education service providers and users to support the implementation of inclusive education policies

TYPE OF INTERVENTION

Directly with populations		Through partners		
Service or care : no	Distribution : no	Technical support : yes	Donation of equipment : yes ⁵	Financial support : yes

BENEFICIARIES

Children with disabilities and their parents, professional staff, civil society organizations, academics, service providers, local government and general public.

PARTNERS

- China Intellectual and Developmental Disability Network (CIDDN)
- National Parents' Organization of People with Intellectual and Mental Disabilities Association (NAPO)

LOCATION

Beijing and national level







FINANCING

Financing secured until :	30/06/2017
Extension (subject to funding) for another year at least :	Yes, 12 months extension until 30/06/2018

⁴ UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with disabilities: States Parties recognize the right of persons with disabilities to education. With a view to realizing this right without discrimination and on the basis of equal opportunity, States Parties shall ensure an inclusive education system at all levels and lifelong learning.

⁵ HI doesn't donate any equipment to the beneficiaries, but only some computers to the partners.

MAIN FUNDING BODIES

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