

Community Based Rehabilitation

Poverty is the root cause for disability and requires focused action. This strategy focuses on holistic rehabilitation - meaning creating access to social, medical and economic needs of the person with disability. The process of holistic rehabilitation – means creating an environment where persons with disabilities are able to exercise their rights to access quality medical, educational and livelihood opportunities as any other person in the community and create an environment which promotes inclusion and active participation of persons with disabilities and their families in addressing issues that affects their lives and the lives of the community through formation and strengthening of self-help groups.



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It has been recognised that the social exclusion and the lack of access to services disables a person more than his/ her impairment. In addition, persons with disabilities and their families from poor communities are most often amongst the most marginalised and live a life with little aspirations or hope with little or no awareness about their rights. It is in this context that the CBR programme of Mobility India is implemented in the slums of Bangalore.

Mobility India's CBR programme currently covers a population of 1,30,000 from the 16 slums in Banashankari, LR Nagar, Avalahalli and GG Halli in Bangalore city. We have identified 710 persons with disabilities from these areas and we are actively working with 537 and their families.

<i>Types of Disabilities</i>	<i>%</i>
Blindness	3
Low vision	3
Locomotor Disability	50
Intellectual impairment	9
Speech and Hearing impaired	10
Mental Illness	2
Multiple impairments	16
Other impairments	7