



# What makes disability rights stronger? Lessons from a world study

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## Easy-to-Read Report



## ABOUT THE STUDY



**This report is about a study that looked at how DRF and DRAF make disability rights stronger.**



**The study looked at our projects with Disabled people's organisations (DPOs).**



**85 people were interviewed in Bangladesh, Ghana, Indonesia, Nigeria, and Uganda.**



**They were asked about the lessons that they have learned from working on our projects.**



**This report will talk about the lessons that the DPOs learned from working with DRF/DRAF.**



**LESSON 1: There are many ways to speak up for disability rights.**



**DRF and DRAF work with DPOs to help them to speak up for better laws and disability rights.**



**The DPOs speak up to improve laws, policies, and government programs in their country.**



**DPOs teach their government, the media, and other organizations about disability rights.**



**DPOs work closely with their government to make disability rights stronger.**



**DPOs also share these lessons with world organizations, like the United Nations.**



**LESSON 2: It's best to team up with many people, with different disabilities.**



**DRF and DRAF team up with new DPOs of women, people with albinism, intellectual and mental disabilities.**



**We support new and small DPOs to get set up. This helps many groups, with different disabilities speak up for their rights.**



**We bring big and small DPOs together so that they can team up and have a stronger voice.**



**Bigger DPOs with members with different disabilities are stronger and can impact the government.**



**LESSON 3: Support from DRF/DRAF helps DPOs to speak up for their rights.**



**DRF/DRAF shares information and teaches DPOs how to speak up for disability rights.**



**We also support DPOs to team up and to have a stronger voice to speak up for disability rights.**



**We help DPOs to build confidence and skills so that people with lots of different disabilities can speak up for their rights.**



**DPOs said that they had more influence on their government because of DRF/DRAF support.**



**LESSON 4: As DPOs grow stronger, they are having a big impact.**



**DPOs that have worked with DRF/DRAF are growing stronger and getting more members.**



**They are more visible, and because of this, some get more money from other funders.**



**Their government is listening and some governments ask DPOs to teach them how to make their work more disability-friendly.**



**DPOs are also having a voice, not just in their own country, but around the world.**



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