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ABSTRACT

Title:	Optimising use of existing quantitative and qualitative data to understand link between disability and chronic poverty: study in Bangladesh
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Abstract text (limited to 300 words, should include background, methods, results and conclusions):

The persistent doubt on the feasibility of disability disaggregation of data is one of the reasons for the reluctance of governments to embrace a more disability inclusive SDG indicators framework. While many countries have included the Washington group short set of questions in their census and surveys, very few have actually carried out meaningful disaggregation and subsequent analysis and are still struggling with designing and costing policies to support inclusion of persons with disabilities supposedly because of lack of data.

The project aims at providing insights on the link between disability, poverty status and poverty dynamics (chronic poverty, impoverishment and sustained escapes) by using different existing data sets and methodologies (the national Household Income and Expenditure Survey, and the IFPRI panel data set, linked to a medium-N sub-sample of life histories). The on-going study seeks to disaggregate these data sets thanks to their disability modules that are based either on the Washington group short set of questions or the activities of daily living questions. Emerging findings include the variation in impacts of different disabilities and for different genders, the consistently higher household size of households with persons with disabilities, employment as a must for the most disadvantaged households on whatever terms, education as something poor disabled children are gaining access to, the important disabling character of chronic illness among the poor or near-poor, and the need for more targeted policies/interventions taking into account poverty as well as disability.

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