

## Livelihood, food security and well-being of persons with disabilities in Bangladesh during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

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**Brief Overview:** The COVID-19 pandemic is taking a toll on the lives of people across the borders. Persons with disabilities are one of the most vulnerable population groups that suffer the most during such pandemic situation. This research was conducted with an aim to explore the impacts of COVID-19 crisis on the livelihoods, food security and overall well-being of persons with disabilities in Bangladesh.

## **Objectives:**

- Understanding the immediate impact of COVID-19 on the livelihoods of persons with disabilities including the key aspects such as employment, education and social security
- Exploring the impact of COVID-19 on the food security status of households with a disabled member
- Understanding the impact of COVID-19 on the physical and mental health of persons with disabilities' and their adopted coping strategies
- 4. Exploring persons with disabilities' knowledge about COVID-19, the challenges they experience in maintaining hygiene and social distancing practices and in accessing health services

**Methodology:** Exploratory qualitative research methods to collect 20 case studies via phone interviews.