

Research Article

Empowerment Model for Persons with Disabilities: Application Village Inclusion for Incumbent Disability in the Village Mangliawan Pakis District, Malang Regency

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Abstract.

Disability is a condition that restricts an individual's ability to fully participate in social, economic, and political activities, whether physically, mentally, or sensorily. Disability groups, especially people with disabilities, are vulnerable to discrimination and marginalization due to a lack of support, facilities, and adequate opportunities. The empowerment model of people with disabilities is an approach aimed at enhancing their independence, social participation, and quality of life. This article discusses the empowerment model of people with disabilities, including the benefits and challenges in its implementation. Disability empowerment is focused on enabling them to reach their full potential and participate equally in society by overcoming everyday barriers. Mangliawan Village, a rural area in the Pakis District, Malang Regency, Indonesia, faces similar challenges. Despite the lack of resources and adequate support for people with disabilities, Mangliawan Village has taken significant steps by implementing the principles and goals of Inclusive Village. The implementation of the Inclusive Village in Mangliawan Village begins with an assessment of the needs and challenges of people with disabilities involving local stakeholders, including people with disabilities, families, community leaders, and government officials. The results of this assessment form the basis for developing a comprehensive plan to enhance accessibility and inclusion in Mangliawan Village. This article highlights Mangliawan Village's efforts to create a more inclusive environment and inspires the development of similar programs in other rural areas.

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1. Introduction

1.1. Defining empowerment disability

Disability is a condition that hinders an individual's ability to fully participate in social, economic, and political activities. Disabilities can be physical, mental, or sensory, typically limiting an individual's material mobility, vision, hearing, or cognition [1,2].

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People with disabilities, as a vulnerable group, often face discrimination and marginalization in society due to a lack of support, facilities, and adequate opportunities. The empowerment model of people with disabilities focuses on enhancing their independence, social participation, and quality of life. This article will discuss this model and explore the benefits and challenges associated with its implementation [3].

Disability empowerment refers to the process of enabling people with disabilities to reach their full potential and participate equally in society. This involves addressing the everyday barriers faced by people with disabilities and providing the skills and resources needed to overcome these challenges. However, on a global scale, the challenges faced by people with disabilities are not limited to the local level. Therefore, in this introduction, we will highlight crucial and fundamental issues related to disabilities, supported by references from relevant international and global journals. We will also detail previous research related to this topic by citing appropriate references. Finally, we will identify research gaps and explain the objectives of this article [1-4].

1.2. Importance inclusion in community

Community inclusive is those who recognize and appreciate diversity, and strive to create friendly and supportive environment for all its members . This includes disabled person disability, which is often face discrimination and exclusion in various aspect life. Inclusion important Because promote equality, cohesion social, and a sense of belonging. This also helps remove stereotypes and prejudices, and creates opportunity for disabled person disabilities to contribute to the community they with meaningful way [5-7].

1.3. Empowerment model incumbent disability

Empowerment model disabled person disability is something an approach aimed at improving independence, participation social, and quality life them. This approach assumes disabled person disability as an active and possessing subject the same rights with other people in terms of access to source power and opportunity. This model involves disabled person disability in taking decision and deliver support to develop potency them. Empowerment model disabled person disability covers a number of aspects, including:

1. Access to adequate facilities and services

Incumbent disability need access to adequate facilities and services, such as facility friendly transportation disability, accessibility buildings, and services appropriate health with need them. This will help them to feel more independent and capable participate in activity social and economic.

2. Enhancement skills and knowledge

Incumbent disability need support to upgrade skills and knowledge them, like Skills in manage finances, skills in communication, and knowledge about rights them. This will help them to be more independent and capable participate in a way active in activity social and economic.

3. Enhancement participation social and economic

Incumbent disability need encouraged to participate in activity social and economic. This can be done with give support to open business small or working on site friendly work disability. This support will help them to feel more independent and feeling more involved in activity social and economic.

1.3.1. Benefits of the empowerment model incumbent disability

1. Increase independence: Empowerment model disabled person disability can increase independence they with give support in develop skills and knowledge, so they can feel more independent and not dependent on others.

2. Increase participation social: With access to adequate facilities and services, as well support in increase skills and knowledge, people with disability can more easily involved in activity social and feeling more connected with environment approx.

3. Increase quality life: Empowerment model disabled person disability can help increase quality life they with provide access to service appropriate health with need them, as well support in increase skills and participation social.

1.3.2. Challenges of the empowerment model incumbent disability

1. Lack of access to adequate facilities and services: Lack of access to adequate facilities and services, such as friendly transportation disability and accessibility building, yes become obstacle for disabled person disability to feel independent and involved in activity social and economic.

2. Discrimination: Discrimination still often happens to disabled persons, both in terms of access to services and facilities, as well as in matters of opportunity to work or participate in social activities.

3. Financial limitations: Disabled persons often experience financial limitations, which can become an obstacle in accessing adequate services and facilities, as well as in increasing skills and social participation.

2. Method

This article employs a qualitative research approach to understand the empowerment methods of people with disabilities. Here are the detailed steps in the research method:

2.1. Research design

1. The applied research design is qualitative research.
2. Data is collected through observation, interviews, and directed group discussions.
3. This qualitative approach does not involve numerical or statistical data.

2.2. Case study

1. A case study approach is utilized, focusing on one community, namely the Inclusive Village for People with Disabilities in Mangliawan Village.
2. Data is gathered from individuals within the community and observations of their daily lives.

2.3. Data collection

1. Observations are conducted on the daily lives of people with disabilities in the Inclusive Village for People with Disabilities.
2. Focus is on their interactions with the environment, communication methods, and the execution of daily tasks.

2.4. Interviews

1. Interviews are conducted with people with disabilities, their families, and community members.

2. Aimed at gaining an understanding of the experience of living in the Inclusive Village for People with Disabilities and its impact on their lives.

2.5. Focused Group Discussions (FGD)

1. Focused group discussions involve people with disabilities, their families, and community members.

2. Focus on discussing challenges and successes in living in the Inclusive Village for People with Disabilities, as well as improvement strategies.

2.6. Data analysis

1. Thematic data analysis is employed.

2. Researchers search for patterns and themes in the collected data.

3. Identification of common experiences and challenges faced by people with disabilities in the Inclusive Village for People with Disabilities.

3. Results and Discussion

3.1. Overview of village inclusion: Empowerment model for people with disabilities

The article provides an overview of Inclusive Villages as a community development model aimed at empowering people with disabilities. This model emerged as a response to the lack of services and support for people with disabilities in various rural areas of Indonesia [8]. With a focus on the Inclusive Village for People with Disabilities in Mangliawan, Malang Regency, this article aims to understand the implementation and impact of the Empowerment Model for People with Disabilities.

3.2. Principles and main objectives of village inclusion

The main principles of Village Inclusion include community participation, partnership, and empowerment. Its primary objectives involve improving access to services and resources, promoting economic opportunities, increasing social participation, and enhancing the quality of life for people with disabilities and their families.

3.3. Implementation strategies in Mangliawan Village

Mangliawan Village employs several key strategies, such as developing easily accessible infrastructure, providing training and education to raise awareness, and creating economic opportunities through microprograms.

3.4. Stakeholder involvement and community participation

The success of Inclusive Village in Mangliawan is driven by the active involvement of the entire community, including people with disabilities, families, and other stakeholders. Regular meetings, dialogues, and community-based monitoring systems support the program's implementation.

3.5. Accessible infrastructure and transportation

Easily accessible infrastructure and transportation, such as wheelchairs and accessible toilets, are crucial elements in creating an inclusive and accessible environment. This ensures the participation of people with disabilities in their community life.

3.6. Education and training for awareness and skills

Education and training are key to increasing awareness, understanding rights, and developing skills for people with disabilities. The program includes vocational training and disability awareness for the wider community.

3.7. Employment and economic empowerment

Creating economic opportunities for people with disabilities is a crucial strategy to promote social inclusion and reduce poverty. The program involves establishing micro-businesses, vocational training, and inclusive recruitment policies.

3.8. Health and social services

Access to quality health and social services is a key factor in improving the well-being of people with disabilities. This includes providing assistive devices, rehabilitation services, and healing facilities.

3.9. Positive impact of village inclusion in Mangliawan

The article highlights the positive impact of Village Inclusion in Mangliawan, including improved quality of life, increased social participation, and economic stability for people with disabilities.

3.10. Challenges and opportunities for improving village inclusion programs and disability empowerment

The article identifies several challenges, such as the lack of comprehensive policies, effective resource allocation, and changes in societal attitudes. Overcoming these challenges requires continuous efforts in education, advocacy, and the development of inclusive policies.

4. Conclusion

In order to provide a profound understanding of the implementation and impact of the Empowerment Model for People with Disabilities in the Inclusive Village for People with Disabilities, this article outlines the general overview, principles, objectives, implementation strategies, and program impacts in Mangliawan Village, Malang Regency.

The Inclusive Village, as a community development model, aims to empower people with disabilities and create an inclusive environment. Implementation strategies in

Mangliawan include the development of easily accessible infrastructure, training, education, and microeconomic programs. The active involvement of the entire community, including people with disabilities and their families, supports the program's success through regular meetings, dialogues, and monitoring systems.

Accessible infrastructure and transportation are key to creating an inclusive environment, while education and training aim to enhance awareness and skills. Economic empowerment efforts, through the establishment of micro-businesses and inclusive recruitment policies, are identified as vital strategies.

The positive impact of Village Inclusion in Mangliawan is evident in the improved quality of life, increased social participation, and economic stability for people with disabilities. Nevertheless, challenges such as the lack of comprehensive policies, effective resource allocation, and changes in societal attitudes remain obstacles to expansion and further empowerment. Therefore, continuous efforts in education, advocacy, and the development of inclusive policies are necessary to overcome these challenges and enhance the sustainability of the program. This article makes a significant contribution to highlighting the role of the Inclusive Village in creating a more inclusive society and empowering people with disabilities.

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