

**“We Want to be Counted!”**



**Incheon Strategy to “Make the Right Real”  
for Persons with Disabilities in Asia and the Pacific**

EASY-TO-UNDERSTAND VERSION

# What is ESCAP?

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) is the arm of the United Nations in Asia and the Pacific. It promotes better economic and social life for all people.



ESCAP has been supporting persons with disabilities by implementing three Asian and Pacific Decades of Persons with Disabilities.

The first Decade was from 1993 to 2002.

The second Decade was from 2003 to 2012.

We are now implementing the third Decade from 2013 to 2022.

All Asian and Pacific Decades of Persons with Disabilities aim to make societies barrier-free so that the rights of persons with disabilities will be real.



**First decade  
1993-2002**

**Second decade  
2003-2012**

**Third decade  
2013-2022**

The Incheon Strategy is the action plan of the third Decade.

The name “Incheon Strategy” links the Decade action plan with the place where it was adopted.

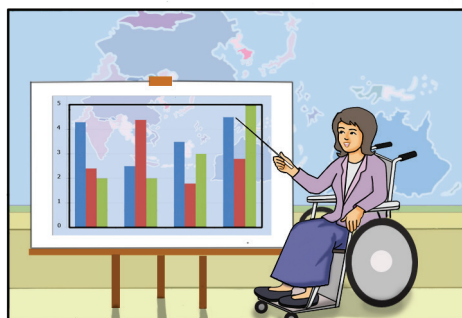


Governments and persons with disabilities of the Asia-Pacific region met in Incheon, Republic of Korea, and adopted the Incheon Strategy in November 2012.

# What is the Incheon Strategy?

The Incheon Strategy has 10 goals. These goals have 27 targets for action and 62 indicators to measure progress. This booklet describes these goals and indicators.

We know that we want a barrier-free society for all ... but how do we know whether we are making progress or not? The Incheon Strategy is special: it asks governments to collect data about persons with all disabilities so that we can know what more we have to do.



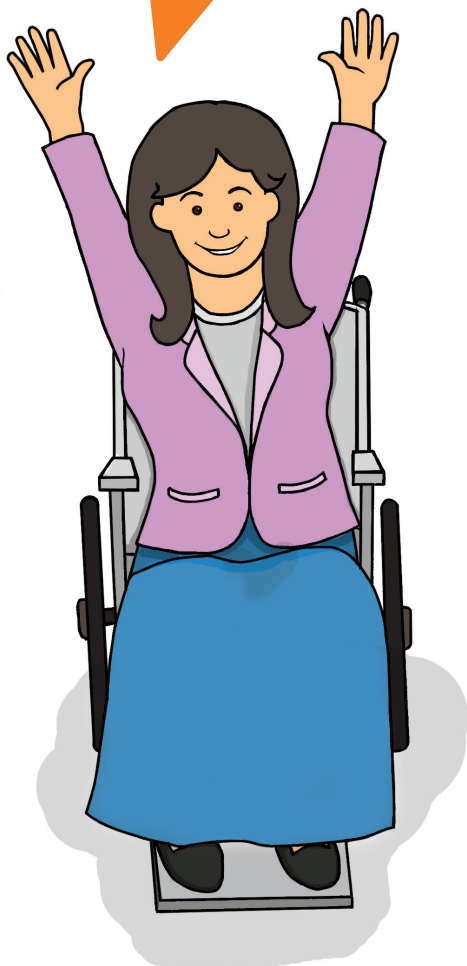


## Main ideas of the Incheon Strategy

Persons with disabilities should:

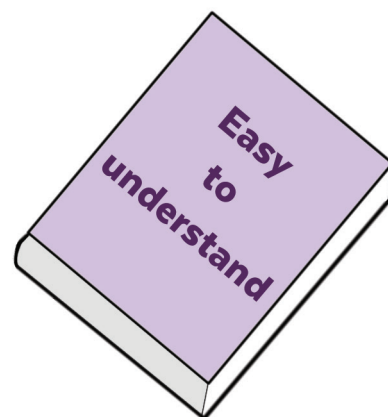
- Be respected.
- Be able to make their own choices.
- Not be discriminated against.
- Be able to participate in society the same way as everyone else.

**It is OK to be a person with disability!**

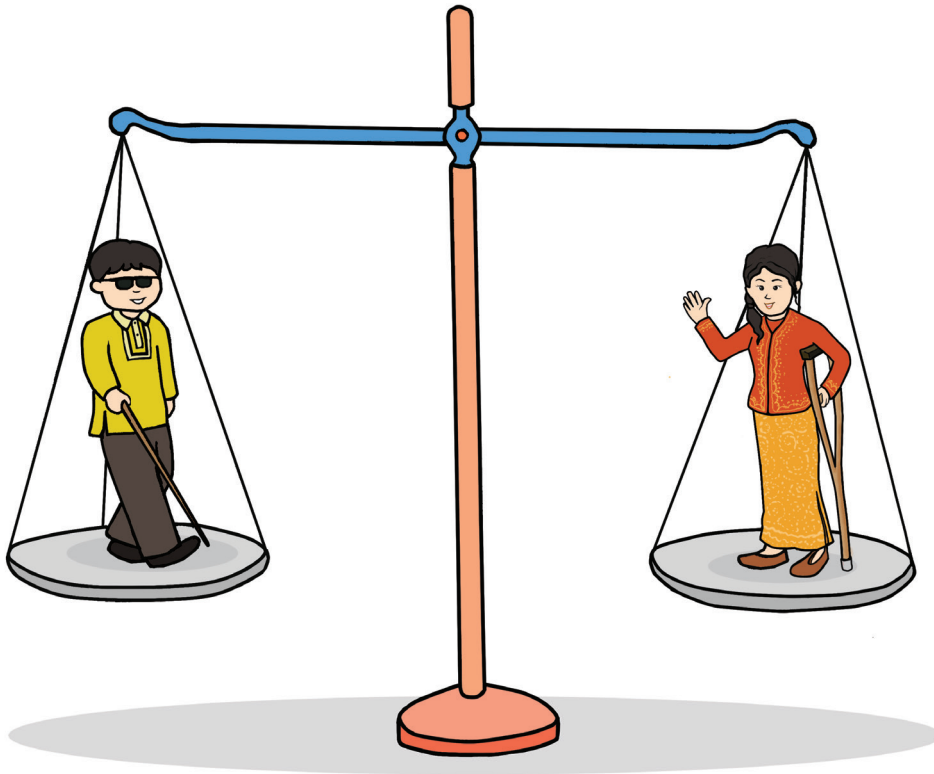


## **Persons with disabilities should:**

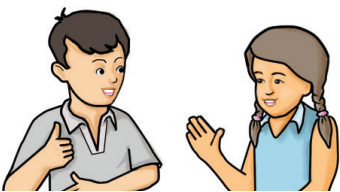
- Have equal chances to go to school, to get jobs, to vote, to be elected, to go to the market and do all the things that everyone else does.
- Be able to access information easily.
- Be able to use public transportation to go to different places.







- Men with disabilities and women with disabilities should be treated equally.



- Children with disabilities should

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