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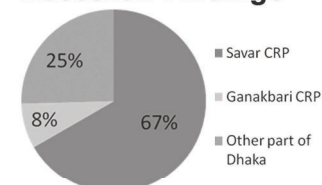
WHAT

Research Purpose

This research is the part of my PhD thesis on **"Social Inclusion: The Role of Accessible Housing The context of Dhaka"**.

Disabled people are not visible all over Bangladesh. Findings of my fieldwork is evidently different between CRP (Center for the Rehabilitation of the Paralised) area and the rest part of Dhaka (the capital of Bangladesh). Permanent wheelchair users are only visible in and around CRP area whereas in other parts of Dhaka they are housebound or **"Invisible"**

Research Findings



Most of the participants of Dhaka stay near CRP area.

Research Method
Participatory Action Research (PAR)

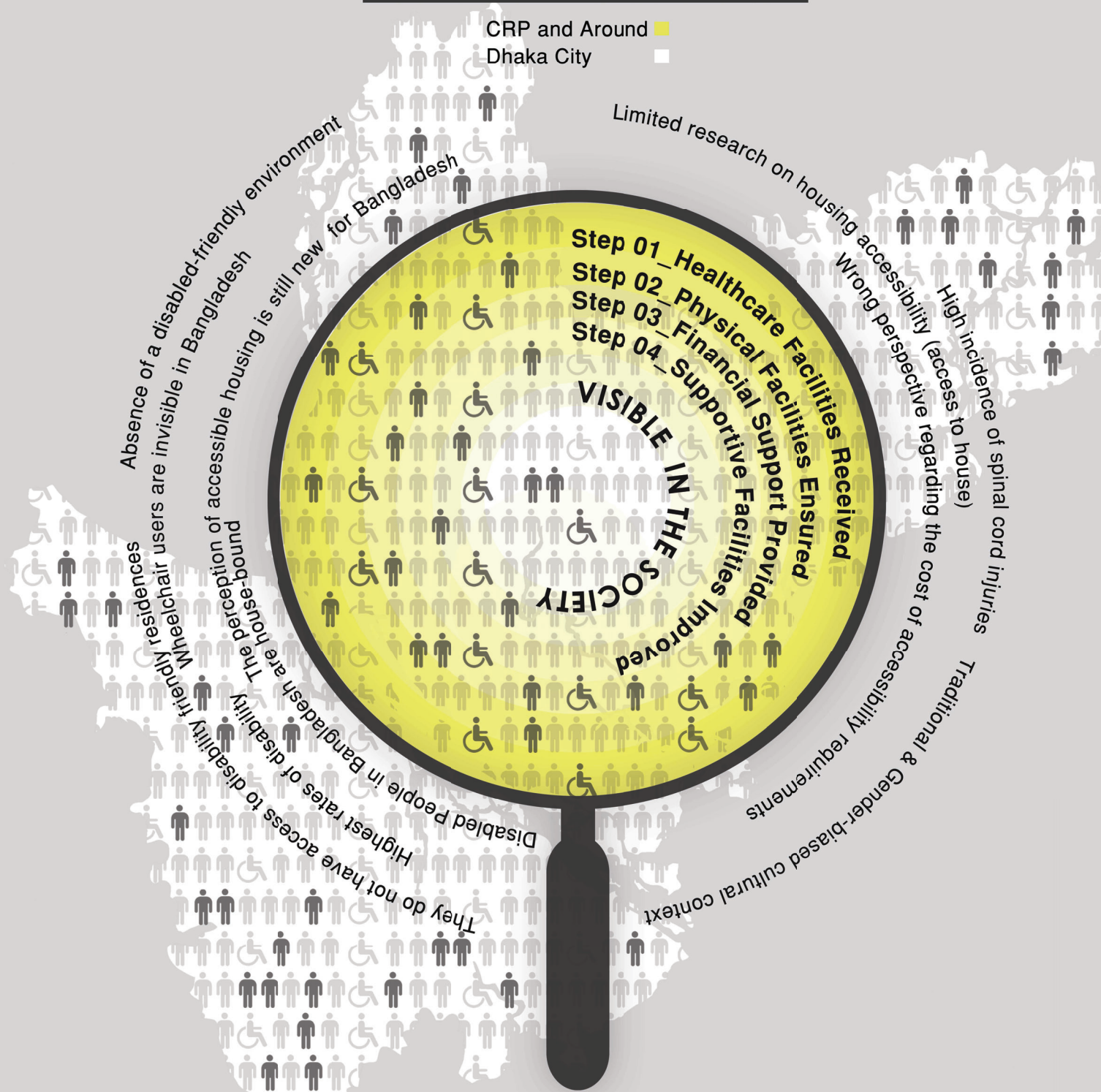


Semi-structured Interview



Photo voice method

HOW



WHY

CRP which is situated at Dhaka, is the largest spinal cord injury care providers in south Asia. After accidents, spinal cord injured people start to live on a temporary basis near CRP area. Mostly because of their immediate survival needs (for treatment, therapy and rehabilitation). As large number of wheelchair users are concentrating in one area for a long time, gradually they start socialization, which increased social awareness. Progressively, they received partial accessible environment which leads to social acceptance in larger scale.

This physical and attitudinal development of society encouraged them to live their permanently. Even the people who went back to their home

Health Facilities	Physical Facilities	Financial Facilities	Supportive Facilities
Treatment	Accessible Housing	Local Donation	Majority
Therapy	Accessible shops	Personal Donation	Local support
Follow-up	Accessible community	CRP job Facilities	People's Acceptance
Rehabilitation	Accessible sports		

-after the treatment, later on they returned to the CRP for a permanent living. This is the story of transition of the disabled group into a visible community/society.

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