


IMPACT OF ANTI-DISCRIMINATION WORK – A RAPID REVIEW

Poor people often belong to discriminated against groups. For a sustainable reduction of poverty, it is necessary to work against discrimination and disrespect of human rights.

How effective are anti-discrimination measures undertaken by civil society organizations? This is studied in the review **Impact of Civil Society Anti-Discrimination Initiatives**. The authors emphasize areas for improvements and where knowledge is weak or lacking.

THE REPORT CONCLUDES, AMONG OTHER THINGS:

- 1 Attitude, norm and behavior change initiatives are the most common in anti-discrimination work.
- 2 Work to strengthen discriminated against groups' capacity to claim their rights becomes more effective when multiple actions are combined.
- 3 Civil society organizations seldom frame their anti-discrimination work in terms of impact on poverty. Still, they reach results in terms of reducing multi-dimensional poverty.
- 4 Work is constrained by shrinking civil society space and is met with backlashes. More generic anti-discrimination work could be a strategy to deal with this.
- 5 There is weak or lacking knowledge about e.g. long-term effects, the importance of socio-economic and political context as well as effects from more generic work on anti-discrimination.

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