



## MAPA FAST FACTS

### Mine Action Programme of Afghanistan Monthly Update, April 2017

This fast facts covers the statistics for the month of April, the progress so far in 2017 and the achievements of the MAPA since the beginning of the programme i.e.1989. It also encompasses the MAPA challenges, funding and achievements over a varying time periods.

**Casualties:** Below table shows civilian casualties of Landmines, ERW and PPIED:

| Time Period                               | Device Type | Women        | Men           | Girls        | Boys          | Total         |
|---|-------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| April 2017                                | Landmine    | 0            | 0             | 0            | 0             | 0             |
|   | ERW         | 0            | 0             | 0            | 3             | 3             |
|   | PPIED       | 0            | 12            | 0            | 6             | 18            |
| <b>Sub - Total</b>                        |             | <b>0</b>     | <b>12</b>     | <b>0</b>     | <b>9</b>      | <b>21</b>     |
| Since beginning of 2017 (Jan - end April) | Landmine    | 0            | 5             | 0            | 3             | 8             |
|   | ERW         | 8            | 48            | 15           | 113           | 184           |
|   | PPIED       | 6            | 110           | 8            | 33            | 157           |
| <b>Sub - Total</b>                        |             | <b>14</b>    | <b>163</b>    | <b>23</b>    | <b>149</b>    | <b>349</b>    |
| Last year(2016)                           | Landmine    | 16           | 107           | 9            | 46            | 178           |
|   | ERW         | 50           | 120           | 68           | 350           | 588           |
|   | PPIED       | 95           | 738           | 70           | 276           | 1179          |
| <b>Sub - Total</b>                        |             | <b>161</b>   | <b>965</b>    | <b>147</b>   | <b>672</b>    | <b>1945</b>   |
| Since Beginning of Programme to date      | Landmine    | 216          | 4,617         | 310          | 2,224         | 7,367         |
|   | ERW         | 605          | 7,760         | 1,132        | 9,047         | 18,544        |
|   | PPIED       | 274          | 1990          | 157          | 729           | 3150          |
| <b>Grant Total</b>                        |             | <b>1,095</b> | <b>14,367</b> | <b>1,599</b> | <b>12,000</b> | <b>29,061</b> |

**Scope of the problem:**The table below shows the remaining challenges (in sq km ) of minefield<sup>1</sup> and battlefield contamination in Afghanistan.

| Type                              | AP           | AT           | ERW           | IED        | Total         | Baseline Survey  |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|------------|---------------|--|
| Legacy Contamination (prior 2001) | 212.1        | 276.4        | 54.9          | 0.0        | 543.3         | 109 districts require MEFEC survey   |
| Post 2001                         | 2.9          | 0.0          | 34.3          | 7.1        | 44.3          | 420 sq Km post 2001 contamination area need survey. Not entered yet in IMSMA |
| Firing range                      | 0.0          | 0.0          | 375.94        | 0.0        | 375.94        | 17 having around 68 sq km firing ranges need survey                          |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>215.0</b> | <b>276.4</b> | <b>465.14</b> | <b>7.1</b> | <b>963.54</b> |  |

**Remaining contamination by region:** The table below shows contamination by region in sq km:

| Region       | Legacy Contamination |             | Post 2001   |             | Firing range  | Total        |             |
|--------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
|              | MF                   | BF          | MF          | BF          |               | MF           | BF          |
| Central      | 98.9                 | 2.9         | 0.1         | 9.1         | 138.22        | 99.0         | 12.1        |
| East         | 19.3                 | 2.6         | 0.0         | 12.3        | 22.02         | 19.3         | 14.9        |
| North        | 17.8                 | 42.9        | 1.1         | 0.0         | 0             | 18.9         | 42.9        |
| North East   | 66.2                 | 1.8         | 1.6         | 3.3         | 0.03          | 67.9         | 5.1         |
| South        | 167.3                | 2.3         | 7.1         | 0.1         | 171.9         | 174.4        | 2.3         |
| South East   | 60.4                 | 2.1         | 0.0         | 9.4         | 26.7          | 60.4         | 11.5        |
| West         | 58.6                 | 0.3         | 0.2         | 0.0         | 17.07         | 58.8         | 0.3         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>488.5</b>         | <b>54.9</b> | <b>10.1</b> | <b>34.2</b> | <b>375.94</b> | <b>498.5</b> | <b>89.2</b> |

<sup>1</sup> Under the terms of the APMBT, victim activated pressure-plate IEDs are considered AP mines; areas contaminated by PPIEDs are recorded as AP minefield. Note: MAPA only clears and records PPIEDs which are no longer considered part of the conflict.

**Security incidents:** The table below shows security incidents involving mine action personnel over varying time periods. Fortunately, there was no security incident during the month of April 2017.

| Time Period          | No. of Incident | Details |         |          |          | Remarks   |
|----------------------|-----------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|---|
|                      |                 | Killed  | Injured | Abducted | Released |   |
| April 2017           | 0               | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0        | No security incident this month   |
| January 2017 to date | 5               | 1       | 0       | 0        | 0        | 10 mine detectors, 10 VHF Radios, 1 Vehicle, 1 camera & 1 GPS were stolen |
| Last year (2016)     | 40              | 8       | 10      | 163      | 163      |   |
| Total Since 2010     | 287             | 90      | 129     | 714      | 707      |   |

**Clearance achievements:** The table below shows clearance of the minefields and battlefields (in sq km) over varying time periods.

| Time Period                    | Area released by device type in sq km |         | Total   | Number of Communities Released | Number of Districts Released |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|---------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                                | MF                                    | BF      |         |                                |                              |
| April 2017                     | 3.3                                   | 1.2     | 4.5     | 2                              |                              |
| January 2017 to date           | 12.2                                  | 4.7     | 16.9    | 21                             |                              |
| Last year (2016)               | 48.6                                  | 4.1     | 52.7    | 158                            |                              |
| Since beginning of the program | 1,104.7                               | 1,039.9 | 2,144.6 | 2,861                          | 115                          |

**Clearance achievements in support of development project:** MAPA provide the required mine action information, assessments and site maps to the development sector. Below table shows the mine action response.

| Hazardous area checked for development       | No of sites searched | Size of area searched (Sq KM) |
|--|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Checked for Explosive Remnants of War        | 2,943                | 1,338.0                       |
| Checked for Mines                            | 1,404                | 67.9                          |
| <b>Total number and area checked (Sq Km)</b> | <b>4,347</b>         | <b>1,405.9</b>                |

**Device destroyed:**

| MAPA and MoD  | Number of Devices Destroyed |               |              |                  |
|---|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|
|   | AP                          | AT            | IED          | ERW <sup>2</sup> |
| By MAPA, since beginning of the program 1368 (1989) to date   | 717,815                     | 29,598        | 752          | 18,249,309 items |
| By Afghan Ministry of Defense (stockpile destruction) to date | 525,189                     | 31,133        | 484          | 31,523 tonnes    |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>1,243,004</b>            | <b>60,731</b> | <b>1,236</b> |                  |

**Mine/ERW risk education:** During this month 125,119 people received mine/ERW risk education in 123 communities. Of this total, 14.3% were female, and 19.9% were male and 65.8 were children. The table below shows MAPA achievements over varying time periods.

| Time Period                                | Number of People Received Mine/ERW Risk Education |           |
|--|---|-----------|
|  | Trained   | Retrained |
| April 2017                                 | 95,067  | 30,052    |
| January 2017 to date                       | 508,616   | 159,947   |
| Last year (2016)                           | 1,479,878   | 305,722   |
| Since beginning of the program 1368 (1989) | 23,754,609  | 2,108,379 |

**Project coverage:** This table shows mine action coverage as of April 2017

| PROJECTS COVERAGE |        |          |  |
|-------------------|--------|----------|--|
| Project           | Region | Province | District                                   |
| Survey            | 7      | 27       | 73   |
| Clearance         | 7      | 20       | 85   |
| M/ERW RE          | 7      | 28       | 155  |
| Victim Assistance | 2      | 7        | Fixed PRC in Farah and mobile PRC in Khost |

**Victim assistance achievements:** The table below indicates victim assistance achievements for the month of April 2017:

<sup>2</sup> MAPA records the number of items of ERW destroyed whereas the Ministry of Defense records the number of tonnes destroyed.

| No | Activities based on VA components | Beneficiaries |       |      |       | Total |
|----|-----------------------------------|---------------|-------|------|-------|-------|
|    |                                   | Men           | Women | Boys | Girls |       |
| 1  | Physical rehabilitation           | 384           | 225   | 62   | 89    | 760   |
| 2  | Economic reintegration            | 19            | 0     | 316  | 190   | 525   |

#### Victim assistance achievements for Jan - April 2017

| No           | Activities based on VA components       | Beneficiaries |               |                |               | Total          |
|--------------|---|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
|              |   | Men           | Women         | Boys           | Girls         |                |
| 1            | Physical rehabilitation                 | 16,603        | 12,619        | 8,275          | 0             | 37,497         |
| 2            | Psychological Counseling & Peer support | 182           | 135           | 174            | 171           | 662            |
| 3            | Social Inclusion (Inclusive Education)  | 1,012         | 2,176         | 682            | 533           | 4,403          |
| 4            | Economic Reintegration                  | 122           | 160           | 94             | 135           | 511            |
| 5            | Advocacy for the rights of PwDs         | 63,050        | 23,403        | 182,874        | 95,549        | 364,876        |
| 6            | Physical Accessibility                  | 17            | 1             | 0              | 0             | 18             |
| <b>Total</b> |   | <b>80,986</b> | <b>38,494</b> | <b>192,099</b> | <b>96,388</b> | <b>407,967</b> |

**Workforce:** The MAPA workforce for current quarter is 8,683 people from which 5,266 is part of humanitarian organization and 3,417 part of commercial companies. In total 42 national and international humanitarian as well as commercial entities are conducting activities and delivering mine action services such as survey and mine clearance, mine/ERW risk education, victim assistance, monitoring and evaluation. Out of the total, 18 humanitarian and 2 commercial companies were operational during this month.

**Funding:** Through the United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS) managed Voluntary Trust Fund (VTF) for assistance in mine action, donor contributions are channeled via UNOPS to the MAPA implementing partners. Bilateral contributions are channeled directly to the implementing partners. The table below displays the funding target and the budget has been confirmed for the year 1396.

#### Funding status (1396 / 2017):

|                          | Coordination | Demining   | MRE       | VA        | Total       |
|--------------------------|--------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| Funding Target           | 6,348,289    | 94,587,559 | 5,722,040 | 3,448,000 | 110,105,888 |
| VTF Confirmed            | 3,350,899    | 5,145,295  | 300,000   | 60,000    | 8,856,194   |
| Bilateral Con-<br>firmed | 687,055      | 14,145,863 | 1,356,867 | 272,729   | 16,462,019  |
| Total Confirmed          | 4,037,954    | 19,291,158 | 1,656,867 | 332,729   | 25,318,213  |
| Funding gap              | 2,310,335    | 75,296,401 | 4,065,173 | 3,115,271 | 84,787,675  |

MAPA top five donors for 1396 are: USDos, Canada, UK-DFID, Japan and Netherlands.

**Treaties:** The table below shows the Government of Afghanistan's status in relation to the international treaties relevant to the mine action sector.

| Treaties   | Signature          | Ratification/Entry into Force |
|--|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention (APMBC)                   | September 11, 2002 | March 01, 2003                |
| Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM)                        | December 03, 2008  | September 08, 2011            |
| Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) | October, 2012      | September 18, 2012            |
| Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons (CCW)             | April 10, 1981     | February 02, 2016             |

**Highlight of the Month:** The Mine Action Programme of Afghanistan celebrated the International Day of mine awareness and assistance in mine action on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017. This day is celebrated every year across the globe to raise awareness of the impact that landmines and unexploded ordnance (UXO) have on civilians in conflict-affected countries such as Afghanistan. The event in Kabul honoured the achievements of the MAPA over the past 27 years, highlighted the ongoing challenges that the programme faces as well as commemorating 'UNMAS 20', recognizing 20 years since the establishment of the United Nations Mine Action Service.

#### Acronyms:

|       |                               |
|-------|-------------------------------|
| AP    | Anti-personnel                |
| AT    | Anti-tank                     |
| BF    | Battlefield                   |
| MF    | Minefield                     |
| ERW   | Explosive Remnants of War     |
| IED   | Improvised Explosive Device   |
| APMBT | Anti-Personal Mine Ban Treaty |

