



Mine Action Coordination Centre of Afghanistan (MACCA)

Mine Action Programme of Afghanistan (MAPA) Fast Facts Data as of 1st Q 1390 (June 2011)¹

Scope of the Problem: As of first quarter of 1390 (June 2011), there were 6,353 hazards remaining affecting 612 sq. km and 2,021 communities throughout the country.

Casualties: In the first quarter of 1390, 77 Afghans were injured or killed by landmines and other explosive remnants of war, representing a significant decrease compared to the high point of a monthly average of 176 casualties in 1380. Of the total, 77% were children. It should also be noted that 94% of the overall casualties were caused by ERW/ UXO.

Mine Clearance:

- In the first quarter of 1390, the MAPA cleared 51 communities; clearing or cancelling 268 minefields and 36 battle areas and destroying 7,147 anti-personnel mines, 288 anti-tank mines, 66 Abandoned Improvised Explosive Devices and 221,738 Explosive Remnants of War.
- Since the beginning of the programme 20 years ago, the implementers of mine action have cleared/cancelled over 16718 MF/BF areas throughout the country. 106 Districts and 1,717 communities have been cleared of mines and other explosive remnants of war.
- The Ottawa Mine Ban Treaty requires total clearance of all minefields by 2013. To date, the MAPA has progressed 51% in terms of area and 49% in terms of number of hazards towards this goal.
- New hazards continue to be found in Afghanistan, increasing the challenge of the goals set by the Ottawa Treaty and affecting the progress towards them.

Mine Risk Education (MRE): 280,167 people received MRE in the first quarter of 1390. 42% were female.

Disability/ Survivor Assistance: MACCA and MAPA partners support three Government ministries (MoLSAMD, MoPH and MoE) to improve the services, policies and attitudes affecting persons with disability in Afghanistan. Significant progress made by the Government in the area of mine survivors over the last year includes the passing by Parliament of a National Disability Law and ongoing discussions around the UN's Convention of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD).

Funding:

Total funds secured for 1390 to date are \$110.7 million and will result in clearance of 1,754 hazards (131.3 sq km).

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