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In support of DMAC

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د ماین پاکی د همغږۍ او انسجام د ریاست په ملاتړ کې

اداره ملی آمادگی مبارزه با حوادث
Afghanistan National Disaster Management Authority (ANDMA)
ریاست انسجام و هماهنگی تطهیر ماین
Directorate of Mine Action Coordination (DMAC)



Advancing Protection through Prevention

21st National Mine Action Directors
and UN Advisors Meeting

13 – 16 Feb 2018

Presenter:

Mohammad Shafiq Yosufi

DMAC Director, Afghanistan

Historical achievements

Land Released (Legacy Contamination)

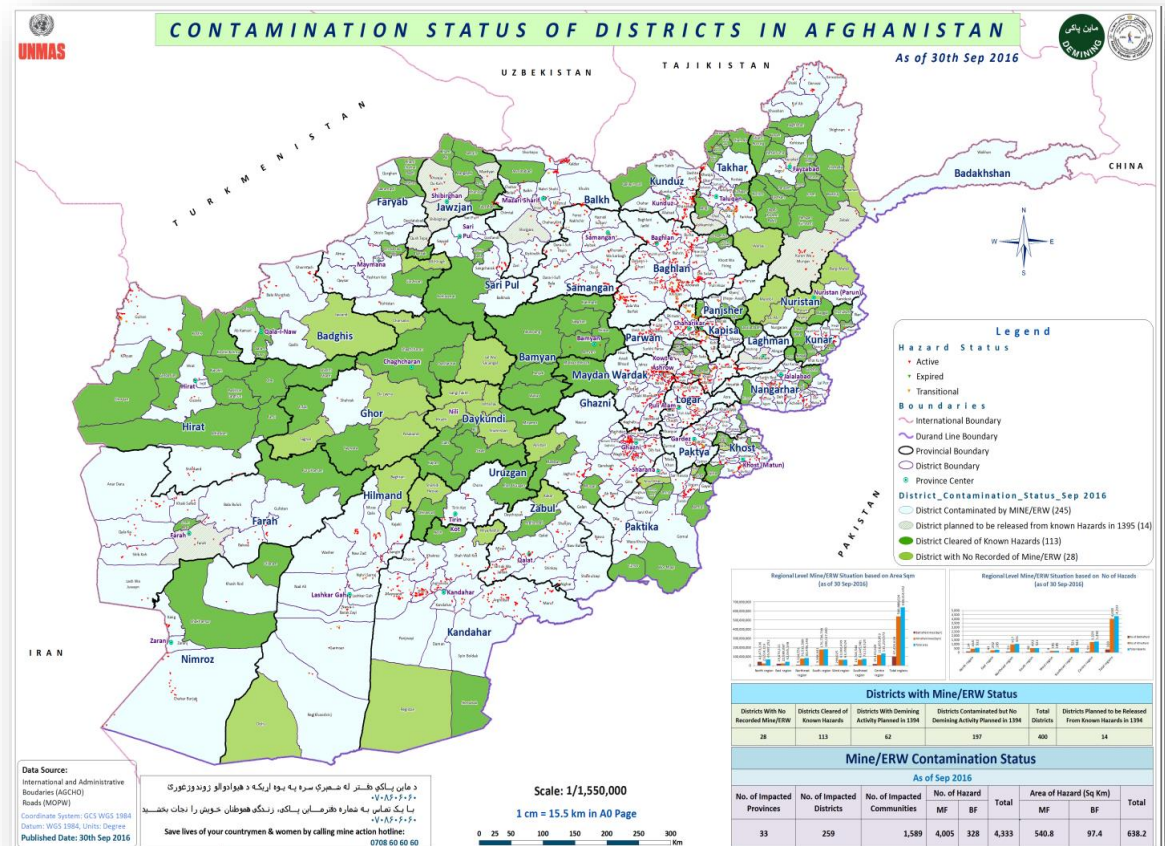
2,152 sq km

Land Released (Firing Range)

849 sq km

Achievements:

- **1** Province
- **129** Districts
- **2,913** Communities
- People received Mine Risk Education
24.5 millions
- People received victim assistance
433,057



Historical achievements since 1989

Devices Destroyed

AP : 1,251,264



AT : 60,858



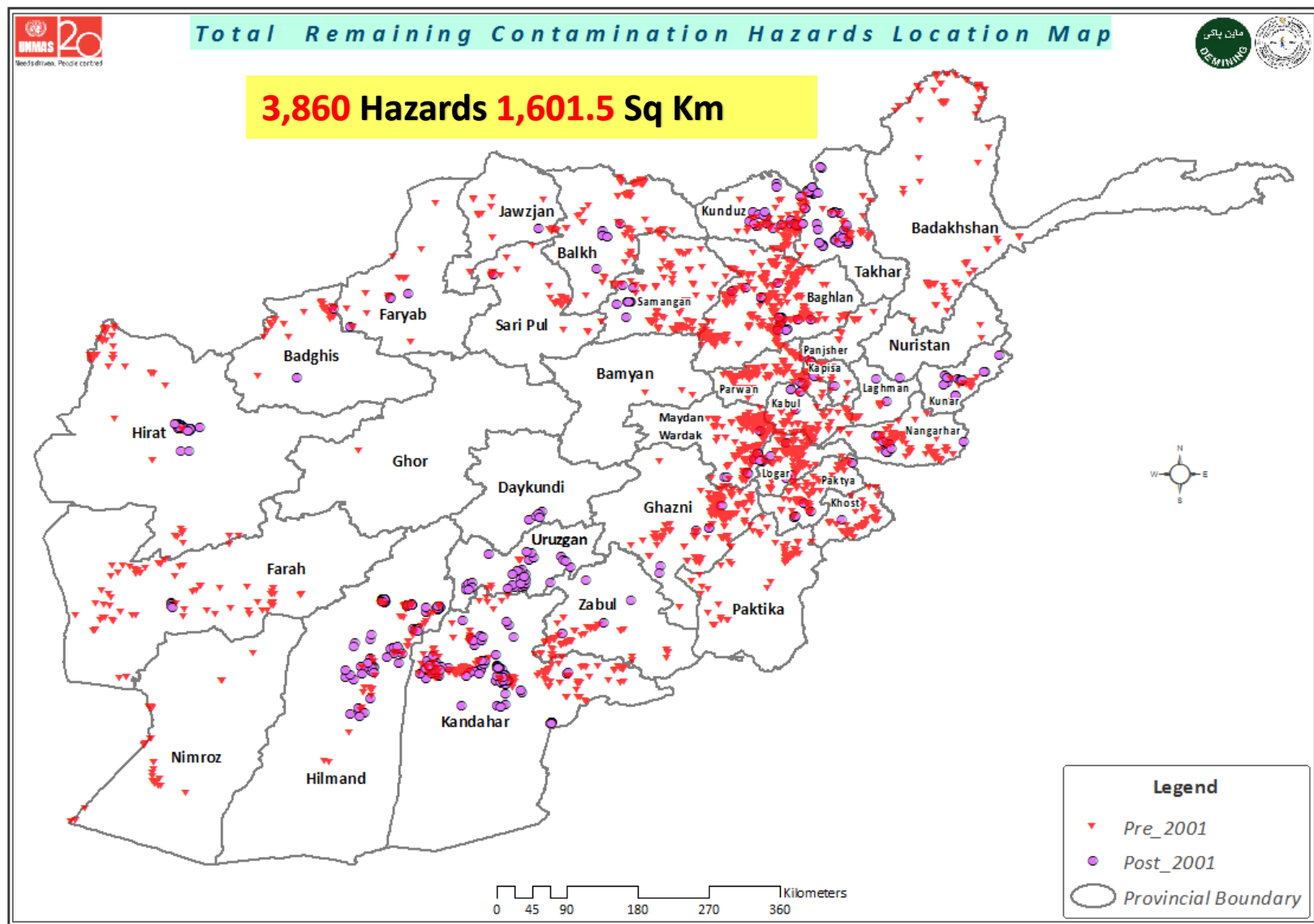
ERW : 18,265,173



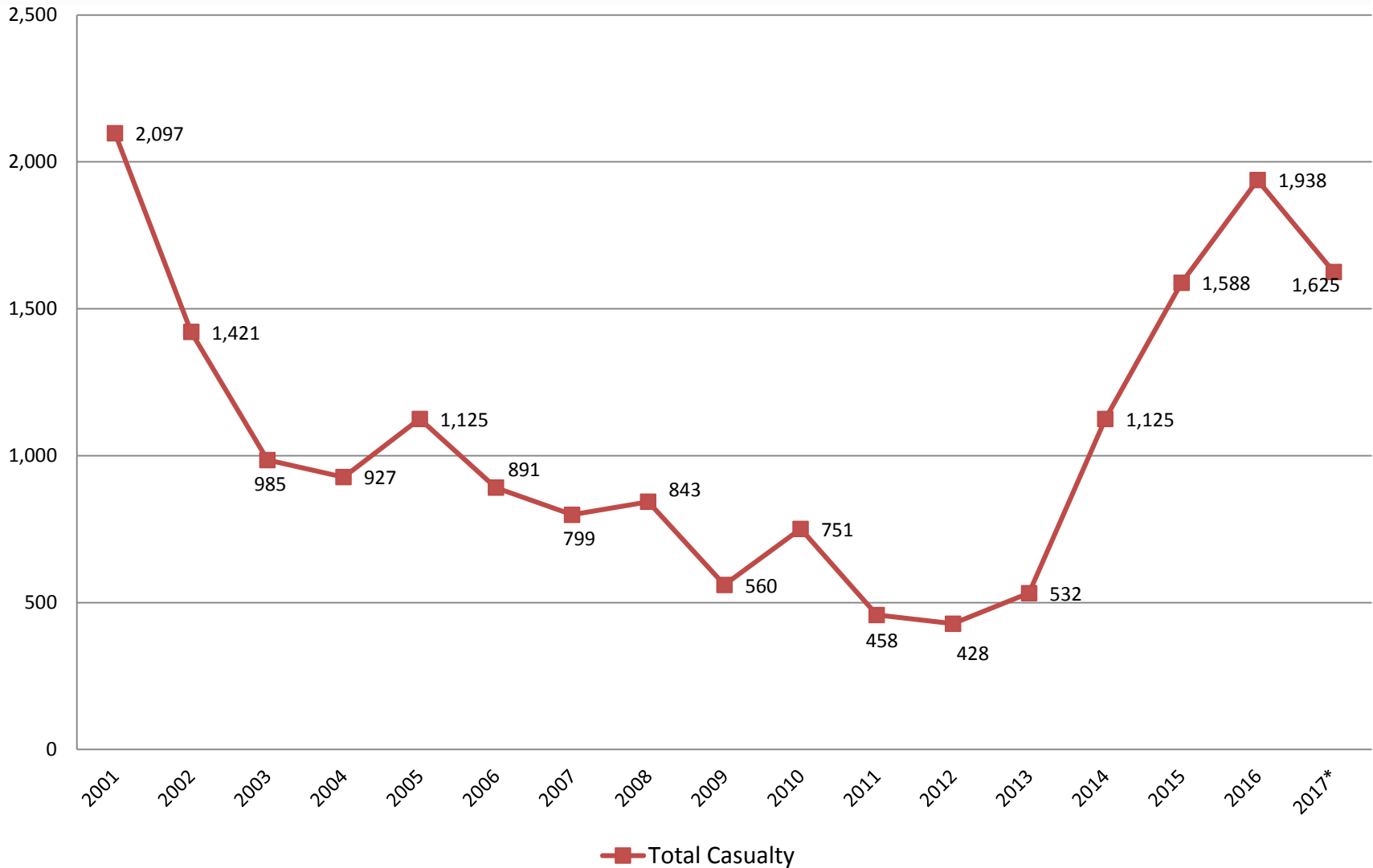
Total Devices destroyed: 19,577,295

Total Remaining Contamination

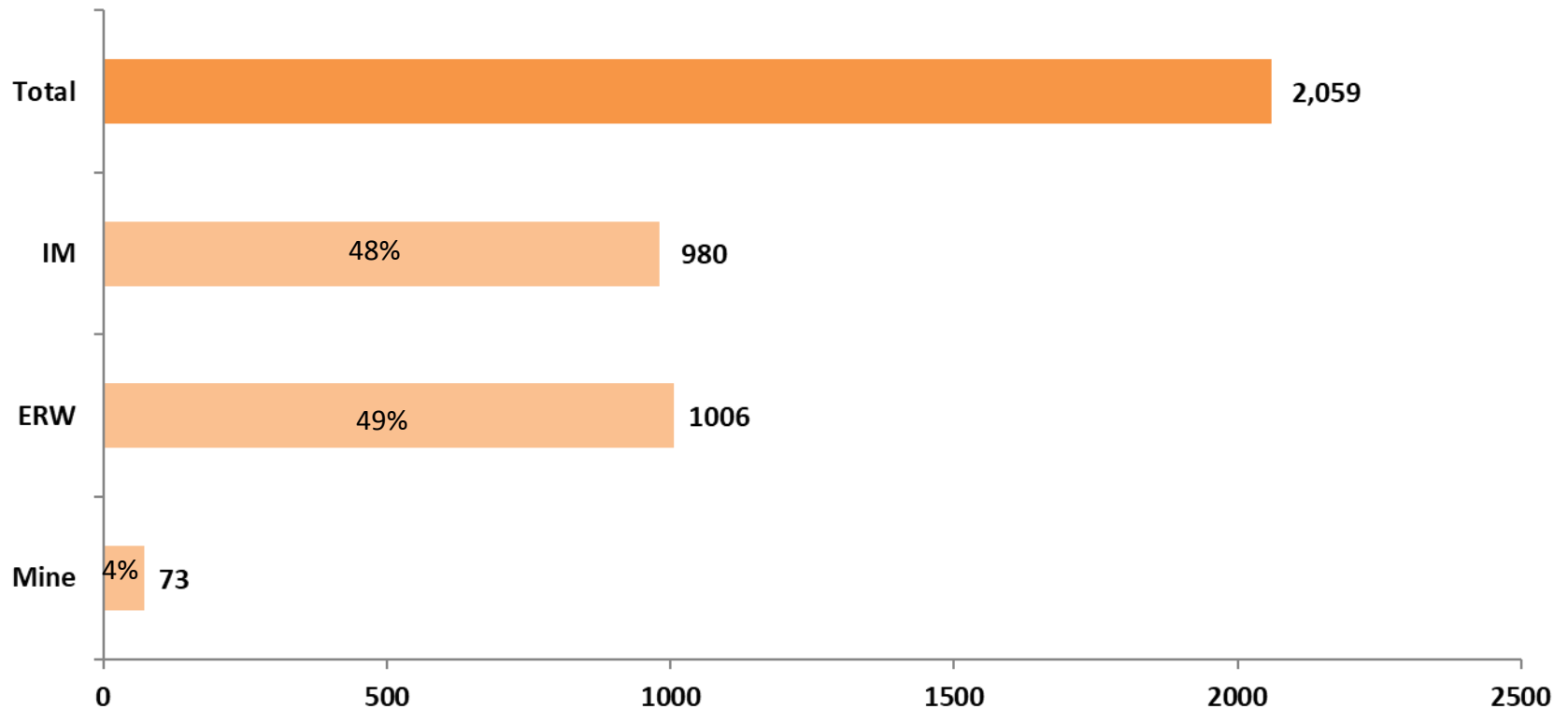
(As of 31st Dec 2017)



Mine, ERW, PPIED Casualties and Mine Action Funding 2001 - 2017



Civilian Casualties (Mine, ERW Including Abandoned Improvised Mine “AIM”) Jan to Dec 2017



Average **171 casualties** /month

Landmines & ERW Effect on Public Health

- Traumatic injuries
- Long-term physical disabilities/impairment
- Welfare and Economic impact (*Losing of income source and skill*)
- Psychological impact
- Impact on health system (*Extra work for Immediate and long term medical care*)
- Social impact (*Social exclusion*)
- Impact on Education system (*Required wider Inclusive Education*)



National Mine Action Strategic Plan (NMASP)

1395 – 1399 [2016 -2020]

4 Goals

Goal 1

**Support
Development**



Goal 2

**Linking with other
sectors**



Goal 3

**Five pillars of
mine action**



**Preventive
Functions
(Demining,
MRE &
Advocacy)**



**Responsive
Functions
(Victim
Assistance &
advocacy)**



Goal 4

**Gender &
Diversity
Mainstreaming**



Existing Strategies for Prevention Activities

a) Risk Education:

- included in school curriculum (grade 7 – 12)
 - 23,000 school teachers trained
 - 2 Child Protection Officers per province
- 80 X RE teams deployed to fields
- RE messages through mobile phones
- Integration of RE with other sectors
 - MoUs signed with MoE, MoIC, Directorate of Kuchies/Nomads
 - Integration of RE in other humanitarian programmes through the cluster system



Existing Strategies for Prevention Activities

b) Clearance

- Legacy hazards
- Kinetic engagement sites
- Weapon Ammunition Destruction (WAD)
- Hotline



c) Advocacy:

- Mainstreaming MA into Protection Cluster
- MoUs with relevant ministries
- Inclusion of MA into National Priority Programmes



National Demining Priority setting indicators:

| Impact Indicators | Weight Factor |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Known victims within last two years linked to hazard | 3 |
| Water blocked | 3 |
| Critical infrastructure blocked | 3 |
| Local authority/Communities request | 2 |
| Agriculture blocked | 2 |
| Infrastructure blocked | 2 |
| Small hazards | 2 |
| Community Centre | 2 |
| AP MFs on flat land affecting high number of people | 2 |
| Device type ERW | 2 |
| IDPs around hazards | 2 |
| Known victims beyond two years linked to hazard | 1 |
| Non-Agriculture blocked | 1 |
| No. of affected families (200 family factor) | 1 |
| Contaminated area size in the community 200,000 sqm or above. | 1 |
| Distance from health centre | 1 |

Existing Strategies for Prevention Activities

c) Victim Assistance

- Immediate Assistance
- Physical Rehabilitation
- Income Generation
- Psychosocial Counseling



Best Practices & Lesson Learned

Best Practices:

- Hotline system
- Integration of RE and demining into other sectors
- Good coordination with protection cluster



Lesson Learned:

- M/ERW RE material requires revision to address the current context
- Sustainable victim data collection process required



Challenges

- Surge of IDPs/Returnees
- Accessibility/Security
- Known unknowns
- Influencing behavioral changes of children
- VA responses inadequate compared to the need



Future Activities for Prevention Casualties

- Implement Five years NMASP (all pillars)
- Implement 10 years operational plan (Survey, Clearance & MRE)
- R & D in support of continual improvement
- Coordinate with relevant ministry for effective response
- Finding ways to effectively engage HMA in clearance of Improvised landmines



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