**Introduction**

Landmines, cluster munitions and other Explosive Remnants of War (ERW) continue to pose a threat to the lives and livelihoods of the people of Viet Nam. The Korea-Viet Nam Mine Action Project aims to strengthen the governance and management of national mine action activities to promote human safety and development in contaminated areas. The project is aligned with the Socio-Economic Development Plan (SEDP) 2016-2020, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with particular relevance to SDG 11 and SDG 16, the 2017-2021 One Strategic Plan between the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam and the United Nations in Viet Nam. Specifically, the project aims to support the Government of Viet Nam in the implementation of the National Mine Action Program for 2010 – 2025, known as the Program 504, through programmatic and technical support necessary to sustainably pursue the targets set out in this ambitious Program.

**Key Objectives**

- Improve bomb/mine risk management nationwide, including improving the capacity to manage mine action information infrastructure across the country, ultimately making human settlements safer.
- Enhance the effectiveness of public administration of Mine Action through capacity building for the VNMAC and MOLISA in sector-wide planning and prioritization, monitoring and evaluation.
- Develop and deliver appropriate and effective support to UXO victims, including job placement and support further development of national system for persons with disabilities; support UXO/mine risk awareness and education to contribute to sustainable livelihoods and jobs.
- Conduct technical survey as well as safe and effective clearance of an estimated of up to 8,000 hectares (based on survey results) in priority areas, helping to remove environmental hazards and restore degraded terrestrial ecosystem.

**Project Summary**

- Status: Ongoing
- Duration: 3 years (2018 – 2020)
- Geographic Coverage: Binh Dinh and Quang Binh Provinces
- Total project budget: USD 29,502,000 (USD 19,827,000 from Republic of Korea, USD 9,675,000 from Government of Viet Nam)
- Implementing Partner: UNDP Viet Nam
- Donor Organization: KOICA
- Project Owner: Viet Nam National Mine Action Center (VNMAC)
- Responsible Partners: VNMAC, Ministry of Labor- Invalids and Social Affairs (MOLISA), Ministry of Defense, Binh Dinh and Quang Binh Provincial People’s Committees

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**For MRE video clip – Safe Ground Campaign produced by KV-MAP**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YQUxhB0fQ-

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Activities

1. Survey and Clearance
Conducting survey to identify the Confirmed Hazardous Areas (CHAs), recording these findings in the Information Management System for Mine Action (IMSMA) and undertaking the clearance of the CHAs; training on new techniques and technology is included.

2. Information Management
Improving available information for the UXO/mine action sector to support informed policy making and task prioritization; strengthening Database Centers for Mine Action under VNMAC; training staff and providing technical hardware and assistance for information management of mine action.

3. Explosive Ordnance Risk Education
Developing strategic plan for Explosive Ordnance Risk Education; conducting risk knowledge, attitude and practice (KAP) survey; organizing workshops for relevant stakeholders to share best practices for risk education; training relevant professionals and other persons engaged in risk education; delivering Explosive Ordnance Risk Education via radio and TV broadcasting, public events and communication materials.

4. Victim Assistance
Collecting data on UXO/mine victims in the Quang Binh and Binh Dinh provinces and registering them in locally developed software; providing medical, livelihood and rehabilitation services, as well as skills and vocational training and job placement for identified survivors of UXO or mine accidents; establishing and institutionalizing the Victim Assistance support model in related national laws and policies.

5. Capacity Building
Conducting a comprehensive capacity assessment of VNMAC and MOLISA to update baseline for capacity development support and establish concrete action plan; developing and implementing capacity development strategy & action plan; evaluating institutional capacity development efforts and achievements.

Key Results for Year 2019

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<td>14,596ha, equivalent to 27,276 football fields was surveyed and 2,316ha was cleared</td>
<td>VNMAC website, a primary vehicle for project information sharing, was upgraded</td>
<td>A clip conveying MRE messages was produced and televised in QB and BD</td>
<td>1st database of PWDs and UXO survivors of QB and BD was launched</td>
<td>1st Vietnam Mine Action Capacity Assessments Report was released</td>
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