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Scope of Mine Action Problem in Sudan
Achievement 2015-2019

Contamination in 2014

Contamination in 2019
Background

• Armed conflicts resulting into contamination
  • 1955 to 1972
  • 1983 – Jan 2005
  • July 2011 until now conflict in Blue Nile and South Kordofan

• 2,158 mine/ERW victims recorded

• Sudan became state party to APMBC on April 1st, 2004
Success story in the East Sudan

- Eastern Sudan, consisting of Red Sea, Gedaref and Kassala states
- Major conflict between Eastern Front and the Government which came to an end 2006
- UNMAS initiated mine action activities since 2005
- Gedaref, Red Sea and Kassala in turn announced free of known landmines in 2016, 2017 and 2018
- Mine action provided substantial peace dividends to local population, strengthened ground for development, and stabilized conflict-affected areas, consolidating peace in the East
Remaining Known Contamination As of Dec 2019

20% area remaining to be cleared

- 26.3 km²
- 131.7 km²
The proposed solution for Opening Humanitarian Corridor and estimated cost

1. Coordination and liaison with all stakeholders;
2. Non-technical survey and impact assessment of the roads and routes extended from the government to SPLM-N controlled areas
3. Identifying safe routes for the delivery of urgent humanitarian assistance;
4. Survey and Clearance of roads
5. Rehabilitation of roads after clearance;
6. Provision of Explosive Ordnance Risk Education (EORE)
7. Removal of spot ERW through EOD operations
8. The estimated cost: **USD 5 Million**
Completion Timeline


Kassala
- Clearance

Blue Nile and West Kordofan
- Survey & Clearance

South Kordofan
- Survey & Clearance

Darfur States
- Survey Clearance (ERW only)

April 2023
Sudan Ottawa Compliance

## Multi-year funding requirement in USD

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Conclusion

Making the humanitarian corridor into South Kordofan, Blue Nile and Jabbal Marra safe from real and perceived threats of explosive ordnance is an emerging priority, not addressing it, can have detrimental impact on humanitarian aid delivery and sustaining peace.
Thank You!
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Q&A and Open Discussion
Thank you