MINE ACTION IN TAJIKISTAN
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LANDMINE PROBLEMS

1. AP mines laid by Uzbek authorities along Uzbek-Tajik border;
2. AP mines laid by Soviet forces (by Russian forces) along Tajik Afghan border;
3. AP mines laid in the Central Area during the civil war years.

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What are the plans of your Government to clear and/or provide facilities for the clearance of all AP mines, located under the jurisdiction or control of your Government in the nearest future?

- The mine action program in Tajikistan is being undertaken in accordance with the Five Year Mine Action Strategic Plan for 2006-2010 which was approved by CIIHL (Commission on the Implementation of International Humanitarian Law) on 27 July 2006. Our long-term strategic plan is in line with our commitment to Ottawa Convention.

What are the achievements of your Government to fulfill the national program since it was last submitted to the Standing Committees?

**Since the last Intersessional meeting**

We -

- **Cleared**: more than 750,000 sqm.;
- **Found & Destroyed**: more than 2,400 mines & more than 758 UXOs/CM;
- **Reduced SHAs**: more than 17 mln. sqm.;
- **Handed over**: 13 cleared mine fields;
Cleared area since the beginning of the program

- Clearance of battle areas: 1216099
- Reduced: 177707
- MDD: 104076
- Mechanical: 12560
- Manual: 371938
- Total: 1258612

Destroyed mines/UXOs/cluster munitions since the beginning of the program

- Cluster: 6009
- UXOs: 2281
- Mines: 1204
- Total: 6009

Yearly breakdown:

- 2004:
  - Cluster: 156
  - UXOs: 464
  - Mines: 1363

- 2005:
  - Cluster: 1827
  - UXOs: 1827
  - Mines: 1159

- 2006:
  - Cluster: 2867
  - UXOs: 2867
  - Mines: 2105

- 2007:
  - Cluster: 4577
  - UXOs: 4577
  - Mines: 2105

- Total:
  - Cluster: 6009
  - UXOs: 2281
  - Mines: 1204
4 mine clearance teams
(27 members in each)

6 Mine Detecting Dog (MDD) teams
(3 handlers and 2 dogs in each team)

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What work remains for your State to carry out the obligations on destruction or providing destruction of all AP mines which are under jurisdiction or the control of your State?
How would you react, if any circumstances hamper/or hinder your State to clear or make provision for clearance of all AP mines which are under the jurisdiction or control of your State within ten years after State’s entry into force of this Agreement? What is an estimated date that your State is able to fully complete its obligations in accordance with Article 5?

Donor’s support in 2007

Donor's support (in USD)
**What financial and technical contribution did your State allocate in order to fulfill obligations according to Article 5?**

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<td>Use of helicopter for evacuation of victim</td>
<td>1000 $ per 1 hrs. + fuel</td>
<td>6000 $ per year</td>
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<td>Use of training areas, buildings and facilities</td>
<td>Rudaki district</td>
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<td>Human resources provided by ministries &amp; agencies</td>
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<td>National Ortho Centre</td>
<td>12 % of mine survivors</td>
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<td>Pension for mine survivors</td>
<td>700 mine survivors</td>
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<td><strong>Total:</strong></td>
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*If mine action is still being managed fully or partially by international agencies, in this case what measures did your Government undertake in order to develop the national potential?*

- Joint efforts
- Support by FSD
- Complete Nationalization by 2008

[Humanitarian Mine Clearance Agency](http://www.mineaction.tj/)
What are your priorities in external support to assist your Government in fulfilling its obligation in accordance with Article 5?

- Increase financial support;
- Training and retraining of national staff;
- Political commitment.

The End!

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