#### Republic of Angola

### National Intersectoral Commission on Demining and Humanitarian Assistance

#### **National Mine Action Agency**

It is well known that Angola is still struggling with the consequences of the armed conflict that has plagued the country for more than 30 decades. This includes decontaminating large areas infected by mines and other explosive devices, as well as responding to the different needs of the victims of these artifacts, many of which require special attention for life. In order to minimize this situation and the suffering of these compatriots, Angola joined, ratified and signed the different treaties (Angola joined, signed and ratified differents treatis), namely the Convention on Cluster Bombs, Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, among others. As it considers the implementation of these treaties as a legal and humanitarian challenge, Angola has made efforts to meet the specific obligations towards the victims of these weapons.

Assistance to mine victims are all actions that contribute to the care of mine victims, mainly in the sectors of

- 1. medical assistance, emergency and continuous,
- 2. physical rehabilitation,
- 3. psychological support and social reintegration,
- 4. economic reintegration,
- 5. laws and legal policies.

It should be noted that, in terms of urgent and continuous medical assistance, we have, in addition to the social partners, the Ministry of Health (hospital, human resources and infrastructure); physical rehabilitation, we have the National Rehabilitation Program for People with Sensory-Motor Disabilities, the Ministry of Health and its medical centers, in economic reinsertion, we have the Ministry of Public Administration for Work and Social Security, NGOs and the Ministry of Social Action Family and Women Promotion, in social and psychological support, the Ministry of Social Action Family and Women Promotion and NGOs, while in terms of policies and laws we have the Ministry of Justice and Human Rights and others.

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Considering an atypical year, due to the covid-19 pandemic, that has plagued the world, the actions planned for the year 2021 should be carried out at an execution level not exceeding 20%.

# In the field of strengthening assistance by improving knowledge of the situation of victims.

Angola so far does not have exactly the number of victims of existing mines and their characterization. Everything has to do with the lack of financial resources to continue and update the project.

# Strengthening the coordination of the assistance sector

We met twice with the members of the Women's Network

Victims of mine (REMUVIMA) and advised their management

in the preparation of documents necessary for their legalization.

- 2. We visited and met with some pillar partners, namely.

  Association for Aid to Vulnerable and Disabled Children of Angola (AACVDA) Evangelical Baptist Church of Angola,

  (IEBA), Institute for Support to Vulnerable Children (IACV) and uma nova parceira juntou-se a causa, trata-se da Associação Angolana dos Direitos e Inclusão da Mulher com Deficiencia (AADIMD).
- 3. Foi iniciado o processo de elaboração de políticas sobre género e deficiência em AcM

### In the field of healthcare and continues

44 mine victims were treated, 24 of whom were female and 20 were male.

Pillar Partners sent an average of 100 victims to the hospital units who needed medical and medication assistance.

### In the field of physical rehabilitation

Due to the covid 19 pandemic, the potential partners

Orthopedic Centers, did not provide information regarding physical rehabilitation.

## Within the scope of awareness and advocacy on the rights of people with disabilities

3 Education and Communication Information campaigns were carried out several public awareness campaigns were carried out by ANAM, ANCAA, AADIMD, REMUVIMA.

# Facilitate the economic reintegration of people with disabilities.

12 victims were trained in carpentry and entered the job market, 10 in auto mechanics, lacking their insertion in the job market. 32 women were involved in Professional training, small businesses and emprego, 28 men started their own business, and 27 people with disabilities had access to their own business.

### **Ensure social and psychological support**

3 children who were victims of explosive devices from wars where assisted with basic baskets were assisted, 36 women mines victims were assisted with basic baskets in different districts of Luanda, monitoring 400 children and youth in Luanda and Huambo.

#### <u>Institutional Support</u>

Institutional support for the legalization of the Network of Women Victims of Mines (associativism) and the training of 33 mine victims affiliated to formal and informal groups on primary assistance.

### **Challenges**

Although the situation in the country does not offer many possibilities with regard to access to funds for the implementation of all planned actions, a problem aggravated by Covid 19, we anticipate better days in the sector. Among others, we will limit ourselves to carrying out the following activities:

- updating and completing the registration of mine

victims,

- construction of mine victims database
- training partners in assistance to mine victims,
- holding local and national conferences on assistance to mine victims.
- Resources mobilization for victims assistance

### **Difficulties**

- Limitations of assistance funds for mine victims at national and international level, reduction of support activities for mine victims, insufficient general state budget fund for planned actions by CNIDAH actual ANAM.
- Limited and/or lack of international technical assistance to the MV pillar.
- Lack of transport means (vehicles) for monitoring and acompanhamento de projectos implementados pelos parceiros, para melhor recolha de informação a reportar.