Sustainable Mine Risk Education

Why is sustainable risk education important?

• It is cost effective
• It contributes to the SDGs
• The EO problem will last (residual contamination)
• The EO problem may resurface
• The National Mine Action Authority may be dismantled
• It is an accountability (e.g. OAP)
How to sustain risk education?

Empower:

- National staff
- National institutions
- Civil society
- Communities
70% of mine affected counties did not integrate Risk Education into their national school curriculum

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Integration into national curriculum should NEVER been taken for granted

Many competing agendas for MoE
Syria Case study
External intervention → Trust Building with MoE
Sri Lanka Case Study

Strengthening Injury Surveillance (IS)

- Global IS course in Dubai
- IS National WG formed in Colombo
- IS pilot in 2013
- Rollout in 90
- 2017: 47,900 incidents
- 2018: 200,000 incidents
- 2020: 167

UNICEF support had ceased
“We need to finish the clearance job by 2025 and end new casualties from this weapon by 2025”

H. Guerra (Oslo, 2019)