

PRELIMINARY OBSERVATION

JORDAN

STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION – VICTIM ASSISTANCE

COMMITTEE ON VICTIM ASSISTANCE

(Italy, Slovenia, Uganda (Chair) and Zambia)

Intersessional Meetings

19-21 June 2023

1. The Committee welcomes the submission by Jordan of updated information on its victim assistance activities.
2. Based on the information provided, the Committee presents the following preliminary observations.

Mine casualties

3. Jordan reported 1,018 mine survivors including 91 women and girls and 927 boys and men, with no new casualty reported in 2022.
4. The Committee would welcome further information on mine victims that have been killed and information on indirect victims, such as affected families.

VICTIM ASSISTANCE ACTIONS:

Strengthen partnerships and integrate victim assistance into broader national policies, plans and legal frameworks and designation of a Government entity to oversee the integration (Action #33 and also Actions #1 and #6)

5. Jordan reported that the National Authority for Demining and Rehabilitation (NCDR), under the guidance of the Higher Council for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, continued to follow up assistance provided to mine victims.

Develop and implement measurable, realistic and time-bound national action plan (Action #33 and also Action #2)

6. The Committee would welcome information on plans in place to oversee and measure progress and achievements of integrated plans, in relation to fulfilling Jordan's commitments under the Convention and the OAP.

Removing barriers including physical, social, cultural, political, attitudinal and communication barriers to access such services (Action #33)

7. The Committee would welcome an update on progress made in this regard and in relation to lifting barriers that may hinder the participation of survivors and persons with disabilities in Jordan.

Applying multi-sectoral efforts to ensure that the needs and rights of mine victims are effectively addressed in line with the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Action #34)

8. Jordan reported that the needs and rights of mine survivors have been integrated into broader policies, especially those related to disabilities, including plans and policies developed for the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD).
9. Jordan reported continued efforts, as per the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention commitments, in adopting a twin-track approach that relies on participatory management, accountability and transparency, through inclusive and comprehensive public policies for the rights of persons with disabilities and by implementing specific programmes to ensure the needs of mine and explosive remnants of war survivors are met.

Establish or strengthen of a centralised database / national information management system (Action #35 and also Action #9)

10. Jordan reported that a working group has been created to follow up and update the national database of mine casualties.
11. The Committee would welcome information on the integration of mine casualty data into relevant national databases, such as national disability database or injury surveillance registry.

Access to first aid and ongoing emergency medical care (Action #36)

12. Jordan reported that health care is provided to mine survivors by the Royal Medical Services and the Ministry of Health (MOH) through Al-Bashir Hospital in the capital, Amman and through Royal Medical Services across the country.

Developing national referral mechanism (Action #37)

13. The Committee would welcome information on the status of a national referral mechanism and directory of services or plan to develop them to further facilitate mine victims' access to services.

Access to rehabilitation services including physiotherapy, assistive devices and occupational therapy (Action #38)

14. Jordan reported the availability of physical rehabilitation services by the Royal Medical Services and the MOH as well as by some private healthcare and rehabilitation centres.
15. The Committee would welcome further information on availability of occupational therapy for mine survivors and other persons with disabilities in Jordan.

Access to psychological and psychosocial services including peer-to-peer support (Action #38)

16. Jordan reported that provision of psychological support was prioritised in 2022, and since 2020 a number of activities have been carried out including a survey of survivors to identify those in need of psychological support.
17. The Committee would welcome information on the findings of the survey.

Access to social and economic inclusion services, including in rural and remote areas (Action #39)

18. Jordan reported that the NCDR continued paying "special attention" to economic integration programs to raise the standard of living of survivors and their families.

19. The Committee would welcome information on progress made with regards to social and economic inclusion of mine survivors and their families including in rural and remote areas.

Taking measure for safety and protection of mine survivors in situations of risks and emergencies (Action #40)

20. The Committee would welcome information on measures that are in place or are planned to ensure the safety and protection of mine survivors in situations of risks and emergencies including humanitarian emergencies, natural disasters.

Strengthening inclusion and participation of mine victims and their representative organisations in all matters that affect them (Action #41 and also Action #4)

21. Jordan reported ensuring the participation of mine survivors and persons with disabilities in relevant programmes, including decision-making, public policies and relevant conferences, based on respect for human rights, gender equality and non-discrimination.

CROSS - CUTTING ACTIONS:

Demonstrate high levels of national ownership, including [...] by making financial and other commitments to implementation (Action #1)

22. Jordan reported national budgetary allocation of 220,000 dinars to the NCDR.

23. The Committee would welcome further information on allocation of financial and other commitments, by the Government of Jordan, to victim assistance activities.

Ensure that the different needs and perspectives of women, girls, boys and men are considered (Action #3)

24. Jordan reported that gender equality and non-discrimination are considered in Jordan's victim assistance efforts.

Challenges in implementation of Victim Assistance Commitments (Action #8)

25. Jordan reported that resources are limited for victim assistance. The Committee would welcome further information on challenges faced by Jordan in the provision of Victim Assistance and information on how the international community can assist Jordan in fulfilling its Victim Assistance commitments under the Convention and the OAP.

The Oslo Action Plan country reporting tracker
Victim Assistance
Jordan

Actions	Indicators	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Additional information request by the Committee
#33	# States Parties that have designated a government entity to coordinate victim assistance activities						
	# States Parties that have national action plans in place containing specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time-bound objectives and related indicators						<p>The Committee welcomes Jordan to share information on plans in place to oversee and measure progress and achievements of integrated plans, in relation to fulfilling Jordan’s commitments under the Convention and the OAP.</p> <p>The Committee welcomes Jordan to provide an update on progress made in this regard and in relation to lifting barriers that may hinder the participation of survivors and persons with disabilities in Jordan.</p>
#34	# States Parties that report that they include mine victims in relevant national policy and support frameworks						
#35	# States Parties that include victims of anti-personnel mines in disability data systems						The Committee would also welcome information on integration of mine casualty data into relevant national databases, such as national disability database or injury surveillance registry.
	# States Parties that disaggregate victim data by gender, age and disability						
#36	# States Parties reporting on efforts to ensure an efficient and effective emergency response to mine accidents						
#37	# States Parties that report having a national referral mechanism						The Committee would welcome information on availability of referral mechanism and directory of services.
	# States Parties that report having a directory of services in place						The Committee would welcome information on development of the national directory of services.
#38	# States Parties reporting on efforts to increase the availability and accessibility of comprehensive rehabilitation services						The Committee would welcome further information on availability of occupational therapy for mine survivors and other persons with disabilities in Jordan.
	# States Parties reporting on efforts to increase the availability of psychological and psychosocial support services						The Committee would welcome information on the findings of the survey.
	# States Parties that have established peer-to-peer services within their national healthcare system						Also, the Committee welcomes Jordan to provide information on peer counselling and its integration into health systems.
#39	# States Parties reporting on efforts to remove barriers to the social and economic inclusion of mine victims						The Committee would welcome information on progress made with regards to social and economic inclusion of mine survivors and their families including in rural and remote areas.

#40	# States Parties that report integrating protection of mine survivors in their humanitarian response and preparedness plans					The Committee would welcome information from Jordan on measures that are in place or plan to ensure the safety and protection of mine survivors in situations of risks and emergencies including humanitarian emergencies, natural disasters.
#41	# States Parties that report that they include victim representatives or their organizations in victim assistance planning at the national and local level					
CROSS-CUTTING ACTIONS						
#1	# States Parties that report, having included Convention implementation activities in national development plans, poverty reduction strategies, humanitarian response plans and national strategies for the inclusion of persons with disabilities, where appropriate					
	% mine-affected States Parties that report making national financial commitments to the implementation of their obligations under the Convention					The Committee would welcome further information on allocation of financial and other commitments, by the Government of Jordan, to victim assistance activities.
#3	# mine-affected States Parties that report having evidence-based, costed and time-bound national strategies and work plans in place					
	# women in States Parties' delegations attending Convention meetings					
#8	# States Parties that prepare their Article 7 reports using the Guide to Reporting					
	# States Parties that report on progress and challenges during formal and informal meetings					The Committee would welcome further information on challenges in provision of Victim Assistance and information on how the international community can assist Jordan in fulfilling its Victim Assistance commitments under the Convention and the OAP.