



# **SIEM REAP-ANGKOR ACTION PLAN 2025-2029**

## **VICTIM ASSISTANCE CHECKLIST**

## WHAT IS THIS DOCUMENT ABOUT?

In accordance with its mandate to “provide advice and support in a cooperative manner to States Parties in the fulfilment of their commitments under the Siem Reap-Angkor Action Plan, draw observations in consultation with the States Parties concerned and assist these States Parties in making their needs known” the Committee on Victim Assistance with the support of the Implementation Support Unit (ISU) prepared this *Checklist* to assist the work of national victim assistance and disability experts in implementing and reporting on the victim assistance and other relevant actions of the Siem Reap-Angkor Action Plan (SRAAP).

The 2025-2029 SRAAP includes ten actions on victim assistance, focusing on creating a sustainable, inclusive framework to address the rights and needs of mine and other explosive ordnance victims.

This includes:

- assigning a government focal point to oversee victim assistance integration into broader policies.
- ensuring multi-sectoral coordination to align victim assistance with disability and human rights frameworks.
- identifying victims, collecting disaggregated data for a comprehensive and effective response, ensuring emergency response capabilities are robust and accessible.
- establishing a national referral system and service directory to facilitate access to rehabilitation services, assistive technology, psychological and mental health services, and socio-economic support, especially in underserved areas, such as rural and remote affected communities.
- ensure access to mental health support, social and economic inclusion programs, and protection within humanitarian response plans.
- improve accessibility, break barriers, and proactively increase representation, by actively involving mine and other explosive ordnance survivors and their representative organisations in planning and decision-making at all levels.

Additionally, the SRAAP strengthens synergies with broader frameworks, with an emphasis on strengthening synergies with the provisions of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), which is referenced in the introduction and under Actions 31 and 38. Furthermore, to enhance the integrated approach, references are made to the Sustainable Development Goals and the women, peace and security agenda. The mention of other explosive ordnance victims in the victim assistance section further strengthens the notion of the non-discriminatory approach in victim assistance.

The Checklist covers Actions 30 – 39 and three other actions under the section on International Cooperation and Assistance (VIII.). Several other actions under section on Best Practices (such as Actions 1, 2, 3, 5, 8 and 9) overlap or complement the Victim Assistance Actions (further information included in the last table) to be considered when completing the Checklist.

The Checklist serves as a practical tool for the States Parties with victim assistance obligations to establish a comprehensive baseline across all aspects of victim assistance at the outset of the SRAAP implementation. Designed for annual use over the five-year SRAAP cycle (2025-2029), the Checklist is structured to:

- Assist the States Parties in implementing victim assistance to establish baselines for all victim assistance commitments of the SRAAP, to assist with identification of gaps, shortfalls and strengths.
- Facilitate annual reporting (e.g., Article 7 Reports<sup>1</sup>) by streamlining information and analysis.
- Enable States Parties and the Committee on Victim Assistance to stay informed of progress and challenges.
- Support final evaluation of outcomes at the conclusion of the SRAAP in 2029.

By completing the Checklist, States Parties can enhance accountability, transparency, and evidence-based decision-making in fulfilling their victim assistance commitments under the Convention.

## **WHO SHOULD COMPLETE THE CHECKLIST?**

The Committee on Victim Assistance invites all the States Parties that reported mine victims in areas under their jurisdiction or control<sup>2</sup> to complete the Checklist.

## **HOW WILL THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED THROUGH THE CHECKLIST BE USED?**

The information submitted by States in this Checklist, will be used by the Committee on Victim Assistance to carry out their mandate including, amongst other, the presentation of preliminary observations and recommendations to States Parties at the Intersessional Meetings and at Meetings of the States Parties, on an annual basis. However, the key purpose of this tool is to assist the national victim assistance experts and other relevant authorities to

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<sup>1</sup> The Guide to Report provides detailed guidance on annual Article 7 Reporting including on Victim Assistance. The Guide to Report is available in multiple languages on the Convention's website, at: [www.apminebanconvention.org/en/resources/publications](http://www.apminebanconvention.org/en/resources/publications)

<sup>2</sup> The following States Parties have reported mine victims in areas under their jurisdiction or control: Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Angola, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burundi, Cambodia, Chad, Chile, Colombia, Congo DR, Croatia, El Salvador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Guinea-Bissau, Iraq, Jordan, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Palestine, Peru, Senegal, Serbia, Somalia, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Tajikistan, Thailand, Türkiye, Uganda, Ukraine, Yemen and Zimbabwe.

assess how far they have come, the gaps that exist, and challenges that remain to be addressed. This could support States Parties in determining the specific areas of victim assistance which would benefit from increased investment of time and resources to address the rights and needs of mine and other explosive ordnance survivors and affected families and communities.

## HOW TO COMPLETE THE CHECKLIST?

The Checklist should be completed by an informed national victim assistance/disability authority or by a group of experts (e.g., national inter-ministerial/sectoral coordination forum). Each Victim Assistance Action is accompanied by a set of questions that address all relevant commitments outlined in the action. Some of the questions can be answered with a simple yes or no, while others require more detailed responses. It is important to provide a description, as specific as possible, in both cases of answering yes or no. Descriptions of the situation will help the Committee and the national authority to better understand the state of play in victim assistance activities and the overall integration of victim assistance into broader national frameworks. It will also support the Committee in assisting States Parties in making their needs for assistance known.

## WHEN TO FILL IN AND SUBMIT THE CHECKLIST?

The Committee on Victim Assistance encourages the States Parties with mine victims in areas under their jurisdiction or control, to complete and review the Checklist on an annual basis, starting in the first quarter of 2025.

The Committee encourages the inclusion of the completed Checklist, as an annex to the *Article 7 Report* to be submitted annually by the 30 April.

| February - March                                                                                           | April                  | 30-Apr                                                       | May                                                                                                                        |
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| Assess the situation in victim assistance in conjunction with disability rights and other relevant sectors | Complete the Checklist | Submit the Checklist through your country's Article 7 Report | Review plan/strategy or take steps to plan for the implementation of the Siem Reap-Angkor Action Plan on victim assistance |

## SIEM REAP-ANGKOR ACTION PLAN 2025-2029

### Victim Assistance

States Parties remain committed to ensuring the full, equal, and effective participation of mine victims in society based on respect for human rights, gender equality, equity, and diverse needs, inclusion, and non-discrimination. To be effective and sustainable, victim assistance needs to be integrated into broader national policies, plans, budgets, and legal frameworks relating to the rights of persons with disabilities and to rehabilitation, health, mental health, education, employment, development, and poverty reduction in support of the realisation of the Sustainable Development Goals, as well as the Women, Peace, and Security agenda. States Parties with victims in areas under their jurisdiction or control will endeavour to do their utmost to provide appropriate, affordable, inclusive, and accessible services to mine victims and their families on an equal basis with others and to ensure victims and their representative organisations are consulted on the development and implementation of such services. In this regard, States Parties will take the following actions:

**Action #30** Ensure that a relevant government entity in affected States Parties is assigned as the focal point to coordinate victim assistance and oversee and enhance the integration of victim assistance activities into broader national policies, plans, budgets, and legal frameworks to ensure its sustainability, including following Article 5 completion. The focal point will work with relevant national entities, survivors and their representative organisations, and other relevant stakeholders to develop a national specific, measurable, realistic, and time-bound disability action plan. The plan should be inclusive of the needs and rights of mine victims and ensure consideration for gender, age, and disability, among others. The focal point will monitor and report on the plan's inclusive implementation.

#### Indicators:

1. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on the relevant government entity assigned as the focal point to oversee and enhance the integration of victim assistance into broader national policies, plans, budgets, and legal frameworks to ensure its sustainability, including following Article 5 completion;

2. Percentage of affected States Parties that report having an inclusive national action plan in place considering mine and other explosive ordnance victims, gender, age, disability, and other considerations and containing specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, and time-bound objectives;
3. Percentage of affected States Parties that report including mine and other explosive ordnance victims or their representative organisations, in victim assistance planning and implementation at the national and local level;
4. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on progress and challenges in implementing their national action plans.

| ACTION | QUESTION                                                                                                                                                                                                            | YES | NO | EXPLAIN STATUS, INCLUDING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES                                                              |
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| 30.1   | a. Has a government entity been designated a focal point to overseeing the implementation and integration of victim assistance?                                                                                     | X   |    | Ministry of Social Affairs, Labor, Health Care, Welfare and Rehabilitation of the Disabled is the focal point. |
|        | b. Is the focal point actively coordinating with ministries and other stakeholders? If so, through what mechanisms.                                                                                                 | X   |    | Coordination is ongoing.                                                                                       |
|        | c. Does the focal point have adequate resources and authority?                                                                                                                                                      |     | X  | limited due to funding shortages, current circumstances, and priority to emergency services.                   |
| 30.2   | a. Has a national action plan <sup>3</sup> been developed with specific, measurable, realistic, and time-bound objectives, which is inclusive of the rights and needs of mine and other explosive ordnance victims? |     | X  | No full national action plan yet.                                                                              |
|        | b. Are adequate resources allocated for the implementation of the national action plan?                                                                                                                             |     |    | Limited resources                                                                                              |

<sup>3</sup> Victim Assistance does not necessarily require a separate national plan. Instead, and in line with integrated approach, victim assistance provisions should be integrated into existing national plans or strategies on disability rights, or other mainstream sectors such as health, human rights, national development, poverty reduction, education, etc.

Question 30.2.a refers to such broader national frameworks.

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|             | c. Is a monitoring mechanism in place to track progress?                                                                                                                                           | X | Partial integration through the drafting of the new mine action strategy, with victim assistance considerations included.                                                                      |
|             | d. What challenges are encountered in achieving the objectives of the action plan?                                                                                                                 |   | limited due to funding shortages, current circumstances                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>30.3</b> | a. Are survivors and their representative organizations involved in developing and implementing the plan?                                                                                          | X | Local communities and survivors are partially involved                                                                                                                                         |
|             | b. In what ways are survivors contributing to the plan's implementation?                                                                                                                           |   | needs assessments.                                                                                                                                                                             |
|             | c. Are there challenges in ensuring their participation in a systemic/regular way?                                                                                                                 |   | limited                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>30.4</b> | a. How does the plan consider gender, age, disability, and other diversity aspects?                                                                                                                |   | The plan considers gender, age, disability, and other diversity aspects based on the diversity considerations across the areas under the control of the internationally recognized Government. |
| <b>30.5</b> | b. What progress has been made in ensuring strong national capacity to achieve victim assistance commitments?                                                                                      |   | Small technical improvements through IMSMA Core enhancements for real-time monitoring                                                                                                          |
|             | c. What types of technical support does your State require to strengthen national capacity and national implementation support mechanism (e.g. planning, coordination, monitoring, and reporting)? |   | Planning, coordination, monitoring, and reporting                                                                                                                                              |

**Action #31** Carry out inter-ministerial and multi-sectoral efforts to ensure that the needs and rights of mine and other explosive ordnance victims are effectively addressed through relevant national policy and legal frameworks and budgets relating to disability, health, mental health, education, employment, climate change, the environment, development, and poverty reduction in line with relevant provisions of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

Indicators:

1. Percentage of affected States Parties that report having in place an interministerial and multi-sectoral coordination mechanism to ensure that the needs and rights of mine and other explosive ordnance victims are addressed;
2. Percentage of affected States Parties that report including the needs and rights of mine and other explosive ordnance victims in relevant national policies, legal frameworks, and budgets.

| ACTION | QUESTION                                                                                                                                                                            | YES | NO | EXPLAIN STATUS, INCLUDING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES                                                                                 |
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| 31.1   | a. Are there inter-ministerial and multi-sectoral coordination in place to address victim assistance obligation and its integration into broader frameworks?                        | X   |    | Coordination exists mainly for emergency and first aid support                                                                    |
|        | b. Which ministries or sectors are actively collaborating and participate in the coordination meetings?                                                                             |     |    | Ministry of Health and Ministry of Social Affairs                                                                                 |
|        | c. How frequently do these ministries and organisations meet?                                                                                                                       |     |    | Meetings are ad-hoc based on the needs                                                                                            |
| 31.2   | a. How have the needs of mine and other explosive ordnance victims been incorporated into national policies on disability, health, education, etc.?                                 |     |    | Partially                                                                                                                         |
|        | b. Which specific national law or policies include provisions for mine and other explosive ordnance victims' rights and needs?                                                      |     |    | Disability Law and healthcare policies exist, but integration for mine survivors is weak.                                         |
|        | c. Is there a national budget allocated for victim assistance activities and for coordinating efforts to integrate victim assistance into broader frameworks?                       | X   |    | Limited, but there is no specific national budget for victim assistance due to the current economic crises and funding shortages. |
| 31.3   | a. How are victim assistance efforts aligned with the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) and national law(s) adopted for the implementation of the CRPD)? |     |    | Limited<br>partly align with CRPD principles, but challenges remain in full integration due to resource shortages and conflict.   |



**Action #32** Carry out efforts to identify all mine and other explosive ordnance victims and collect accurate and comprehensive information on their needs, challenges and geographic locations in a manner disaggregated by gender, age, disability, and other considerations, making data on mine and other explosive ordnance victims available to relevant stakeholders including by integrating this data into a national centralised database, such as disability data systems to ensure a comprehensive and sustainable response in line with relevant national data protection regulations or measures.

Indicators:

1. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on efforts to identify mine and other explosive ordnance victims and disaggregate victim data by gender, age, disability, and other considerations;
2. Percentage of affected States Parties that report the inclusion of data on mine and other explosive ordnance victims in a national centralised database such as disability data systems and make data available to relevant stakeholders in accordance with data protection regulations/measures.

| ACTION | QUESTION                                                                                                                                                                              | YES | NO | EXPLAIN STATUS, INCLUDING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES                                              |
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| 32.1   | a. Have all mine and other explosive ordnance victims (including survivors and individuals that have been killed and affected families) been identified?                              | X   |    | Partially<br>Victims are recorded YEMAC, partners, local authorities, and medical institutions |
|        | b. Is there an identification process ongoing to record new casualties and/or unidentified victims?                                                                                   | X   |    | EORE sessions helped improve data collection.                                                  |
|        | c. Is data on mine and other explosive ordnance victims collected and disaggregated by gender, age, and disability?                                                                   | X   |    | Data disaggregated by gender and age                                                           |
|        | d. Is data on mine and other explosive ordnance victims integrated into a national centralised database (such as national injury surveillance or national disability database, etc.)? |     |    | No.                                                                                            |

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|      | e. How is the database managed and updated?                                                                                                      | Through the National Mine Action Programme Information Management. |  |                                                                                                        |
|      | f. Which Ministry / Authority manages the database?                                                                                              | National Mine Action Programme                                     |  |                                                                                                        |
| 32.2 | a. Do relevant ministries and other stakeholders, including service providers, have access to data on mine and other explosive ordnance victims? | Yes, shared through the National Mine Action Programme.            |  |                                                                                                        |
|      | b. How often is data shared with stakeholders?                                                                                                   | Internal sharing based on the needs. Access is granted.            |  |                                                                                                        |
|      | a. Are national data protection regulations (data privacy) followed in data collection and sharing?                                              | X                                                                  |  | Data protection measures are respected. There are guidelines within the National Mine Action Programme |

**Action #33** Provide effective and efficient context-specific emergency medical care to new casualties and improve national capacity through training, including on psychosocial first care, specialized training for health professionals and layperson first responder training in affected communities and ensure that mine and other explosive ordnance survivors have access to health services including in rural and remote areas.

Indicators:

1. Percentage of affected States Parties that report having a mechanism in place to ensure an efficient and effective emergency response to new casualties;
2. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on availability and accessibility of health services, including in rural and remote areas.

| ACTION | QUESTION                                                                                           | YES | NO | EXPLAIN STATUS, INCLUDING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES      |
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| 33.1   | a. Is there an effective first aid response system in place for new casualties?                    | X   |    | Limited: volunteers and local health centres continued |
|        | b. Is there a hotline available for affected communities to call for medical emergency assistance? |     | X  |                                                        |

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|      | c. What efforts are in place to ensure that first aid services reach new casualties as quickly as possible?                        |   |  | Localized referring approach                                               |
| 33.2 | a. Is national capacity for casualty response being improved through training?                                                     | X |  | Not to the required level. supported by ICRC and UNICEF.                   |
|      | b. What type of trainings have been or are being provided?                                                                         |   |  | First aid, emergency response and volunteer trainings.                     |
| 33.3 | a. Do mine and other explosive ordnance victims have access to healthcare services, especially in rural and remote areas?          | X |  | Yes, but limited. Services available mainly in governorates and districts. |
|      | b. What challenges are faced in making healthcare services accessible and affordable to mine and other explosive ordnance victims? |   |  | Conflict and funding generated lack of access in rural areas.              |

**Action #34** Ensure that a national/sub-administrative area referral mechanism is in place to facilitate access to services for mine and other explosive ordnance victims, including by creating and disseminating a comprehensive directory of services available, accessible, and inclusive for all mine and other explosive ordnance victims.

Indicators:

1. Percentage of affected States Parties that report having a national/sub-administrative referral mechanism in place which is available, accessible, and inclusive for all mine victims;
2. Percentage of affected States Parties that report having a comprehensive directory of services available, accessible, and inclusive for all mine victims.

| ACTION | QUESTION                                                                                                                                        | YES | NO | EXPLAIN STATUS, INCLUDING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES                    |
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| 34.1   | a. Is there a national or sub-administrative area referral mechanism in place for mine survivors to facilitate their access to services such as |     | X  | localized referral through EORE activities to nearby health centers. |

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|             | healthcare, rehabilitation, psychological, psychosocial, socio-economic, etc.?                               |  |   |                   |
|             | b. How often is the referral mechanism reviewed for the purpose of improvements?                             |  |   |                   |
| <b>34.2</b> | a. Has a comprehensive directory of services been created and disseminated to facilitate access to services? |  | X | Yes, before 2014. |
|             | b. How is the directory updated and maintained?                                                              |  |   |                   |

**Action #35** Take steps to ensure that considering local, national, and regional circumstances, all mine and other explosive ordnance victims including in rural and remote areas have access to comprehensive rehabilitation services and assistive technology; including where necessary, through the provision of outreach and innovative rehabilitation services, paying particular attention to the most vulnerable.

Indicators:

1. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on efforts to increase the availability and accessibility of rehabilitation services;
2. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on the provision of assistive technology;
3. Percentage of States Parties that report on efforts to increase resources and national capacity to make assistive technology affordable and accessible.

| ACTION      | QUESTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | YES | NO | EXPLAIN STATUS, INCLUDING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES                    |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>35.1</b> | a. Do all mine and other and other explosive ordnance survivors, especially in rural and remote areas, have access to comprehensive functioning rehabilitation services including physiotherapy, prosthetic and orthotic, occupational therapy, and assistive devices? | X   |    | Partial access.                                                      |
|             | b. Are rehabilitation services available and accessible in affected communities?                                                                                                                                                                                       | X   |    | In Aden, Hadramout, Taiz, and Marib, but they cannot cover all needs |

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| 35.2 | a. Are outreach rehabilitation services provided in places where rehabilitation centres are lacking?                                                                                                                   | X |  | Yes, but very limited because of resources constraints and funding.                  |
|      | b. How often are outreach services delivered in remote areas? What gaps exist in this regard?                                                                                                                          |   |  | Gaps exist in rural remote areas                                                     |
| 35.3 | a. Are assistive technology <sup>4</sup> including wheelchairs, prosthetics, hearing and communication devices, crutches, etc. available to mine and other explosive ordnance survivors and persons with disabilities? | X |  | Assistive devices like prosthetics provided by King Salman Center and UNICEF support |
|      | b. Has sufficient national budget been allocated for functioning rehabilitation services including production/procurement of assistive products?                                                                       |   |  | Insufficient                                                                         |
|      | c. Is there sufficient national capacity including experts and technicians to deliver rehabilitation services?                                                                                                         | X |  | Yes, but limited                                                                     |

**Action #36:** Ensure mine victims have access to psychological and psychosocial support services including to mental health, peer-to-peer support, community support, and other available services. Increase national capacity in mental health and psychological support and peer-to-peer support to address all needs, including in situations of emergencies.

Indicators:

1. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on mine and other explosive ordnance survivors and affected families accessing mental health and psychological support disaggregated by gender, age, disability, and other relevant factors;
2. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on the provision of and integrating peer-to-peer support into public healthcare and other relevant systems.

| ACTION | QUESTION | YES | NO | EXPLAIN STATUS, INCLUDING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES |
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<sup>4</sup> WHO introduces 50 most essential products, through its Priority Assistive Product List (APL): <https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/priority-assistive-products-list>

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| 36.1 | a. Do mine and other explosive ordnance victims have access to psychological and psychosocial support services?                             | X |  | Available in governorates capitals and big districts.                                        |
|      | b. What type of psychological services are offered?                                                                                         |   |  |                                                                                              |
|      | c. Is there sufficient national capacity in mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) to integrate mine victims?                       | X |  | Yes, but very limited                                                                        |
|      | d. What initiatives have been implemented to increase national capacity?                                                                    |   |  | Psychosocial support in EORE activities.                                                     |
| 36.2 | a. Is peer-to-peer support provided to mine and other explosive ordnance survivors and affected families?                                   | X |  | Through VA and EORE activities.                                                              |
|      | b. Is peer-to-peer support integrated into available mental health services / public health programmes?                                     | X |  | Yes, but limited                                                                             |
|      | c. Are there active partnerships between the government and mine and other and other explosive ordnance survivors' networks in this regard? | X |  | Yes, but limited. Red Crescent trains volunteers in first aid including psychological aspect |

**Action #37** Strengthen efforts to meet the social and economic inclusion needs of mine victims by ensuring their access to education, capacity-building, employment referral services, finance institutions/services, business development services, rural development, vocational training, and social protection programmes, including in rural and remote areas.

Indicators:

1. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on efforts to remove barriers to the social and economic inclusion of mine survivors and affected families;
2. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on programmes for inclusive employment, livelihoods, and other social protection services;
3. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on the number of mine and other explosive ordnance survivors and affected families accessing social and economic services, disaggregated by gender, age, disability. and other relevant factors.

| ACTION | QUESTION                                                                                                                                                                   | YES | NO | EXPLAIN STATUS, INCLUDING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES                                       |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 37.1   | a. What policy or programmes exist to meet the social and economic inclusion needs of mine and other and other explosive ordnance survivors and affected families?         | X   |    | Supported by the Disability Law.<br>The status is weak due to the current circumstances |
| 37.2   | a. Do mine and other explosive ordnance survivors have access to education, capacity building training, employment services, microfinance, and social protection programs? |     |    | Via vocational training institutions, but with limited capacity                         |
|        | b. What types of barriers affect survivors' access to social and economic services?                                                                                        |     |    |                                                                                         |
|        | c. What progress has been achieved in removing barriers?                                                                                                                   |     |    |                                                                                         |
| 37.3   | a. How many survivors and affected families benefited from socio-economic support during the last reporting year?                                                          |     |    |                                                                                         |

**Action #38** Ensure that relevant national emergency/humanitarian response and preparedness plans integrate the safety and protection of mine survivors and populations in affected communities in situations of risk. This includes situations of armed conflict, humanitarian emergencies, and natural disasters in line with the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, other relevant international humanitarian and human rights law, and international guidelines.

Indicators:

1. Percentage of affected States Parties that report integrating the safety and protection of mine survivors in their emergency/humanitarian response and preparedness plans;
2. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on mine victims' inclusion and accessibility to programmes for humanitarian assistance, risk reduction, and conflict preparedness and protection.

| ACTION | QUESTION                                                                                                                                                                                                           | YES | NO | EXPLAIN STATUS, INCLUDING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES                         |
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| 38.1   | a. Are national measures in place to ensure protection and safety of mine survivors and persons with disabilities in situations of emergencies?                                                                    | X   |    | Partially yes.                                                            |
|        | b. Do plans and policies on humanitarian aid, disaster risk reduction measures, and conflict preparedness and protection programmes integrate the needs and rights of mine and other explosive ordnance survivors? | X   |    | Considered in planning                                                    |
|        | c. What challenges are faced in making sure the safety and protection of mine survivors?                                                                                                                           |     |    | Security, capacity, and resources.                                        |
|        | d. What efforts are being made to address those challenges?                                                                                                                                                        |     |    |                                                                           |
| 38.2   | a. Are mine and other explosive ordnance survivors and their representative organisations included in programmes related to humanitarian assistance, risk reduction and conflict preparedness protection?          |     |    | Partially yes. Included through EORE and some coordination opportunities. |

**Action #39:** Improve accessibility and strive to remove physical, social, cultural, political, attitudinal, and communications barriers to ensure the full inclusion and effective participation of mine victims and their representative organisations including in rural and remote areas in all matters that affect them.

Indicators:

1. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on progress in removing physical, social, cultural, political, attitudinal, and communication barriers;
2. Percentage of affected States Parties that report including survivors and/or their representative organisations in matters that affect them, including in planning and implementation at the national and community levels.



| ACTION | QUESTION                                                                                                                                                                         | YES | NO | EXPLAIN STATUS, INCLUDING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES            |
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| 39.1   | a. What efforts have been or are being made to improve access to services?                                                                                                       |     |    | Limited, but remains a high priority.                        |
|        | b. What kinds of national policies and standards are in place for accessibility?                                                                                                 |     |    |                                                              |
|        | c. What challenges are to be addressed in this regard?                                                                                                                           |     |    | Capacity issues. The current economic shortfalls.            |
| 39.2   | a. Are mine and other explosive ordnance survivors and their representative organisations involved in planning and implementation and monitoring of programmes that affect them? | X   |    | Yes, during community needs assessments and YBLS operations. |
|        | b. How is the participation and inclusion of survivors and their representative organisations in rural and remote areas facilitated?                                             |     |    | Via local campaigns.                                         |

### VIII. International Cooperation and Assistance

**Action #40:** Do the utmost to commit the resources needed to meet their Convention obligations as soon as possible and explore all funding sources including conventional and alternative/innovative sources and mechanisms of funding such as front-loading models.

#### Indicators<sup>5</sup>:

1. Percentage of affected States Parties that report making national financial commitments to their implementation of victim assistance.
4. Percentage of States Parties that report on exploring all sources of funding, including conventional and alternative/innovative sources and mechanisms of funding or that report having innovative financial projects in place.

| ACTION | QUESTION | YES | NO | EXPLAIN STATUS, INCLUDING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES |
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<sup>5</sup> Of the four indicators of the Action 40, two (1 & 4) are included in the Checklist here due to their relevance to victim assistance obligation.

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| 40.1 | a. Has your State allocated sufficient national resources to meet the needs of mine and other explosive ordnance survivors and affected families?                       |   | X | The rely now is on the international support due to the current economic challenges. |
|      | b. How does your State address funding shortfalls for victim assistance activities?                                                                                     |   |   | Yemen addressed and advocated on international forums about the funding shortfalls.  |
| 40.4 | a. What innovative funding methods have been identified or implemented?                                                                                                 |   |   |                                                                                      |
|      | b. Are partnerships with private sectors being utilised for funding?                                                                                                    | X |   | Very limited                                                                         |
|      | c. Has your State explored alternative sources of funding to support Victim Assistance commitments?                                                                     |   |   |                                                                                      |
|      | d. How is victim assistance integrated into budgets of broader national frameworks related to disabilities, health, education, development, and other relevant sectors? |   |   |                                                                                      |

**Action #41:** Develop resource mobilisation plans and use all mechanisms to disseminate information on challenges and requirements for assistance including through annual Article 7 reports, request for extension under Article 5 and updated work plans where applicable, and by taking advantage of the Individualised Approach tool.

Indicators:

1. Percentage of affected States Parties that report on progress, challenges in implementation, and requirements for assistance.
2. Percentage of affected States Parties that report having a resource mobilisation plan in place.
3. Percentage of affected States Parties that have taken advantage of the Individualised Approach.

| ACTION | QUESTION                                                                                                                              | YES | NO | EXPLAIN STATUS, INCLUDING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES |
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| 41.1   | a. Has your State provided information on victim assistance challenges and resource requirements through its annual Article 7 Report? | X   |    | Included in AT7 report.                           |

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| 41.2 | a. Has your State developed a national resource mobilisation plan for integration of victim assistance and for meeting the rights and needs of mine and other explosive ordnance victims? | X | Partially. Resource mobilization efforts are ongoing but limited. |
| 41.3 | a. Does your State plan to make use of the Individualised Approach <sup>6</sup> for victim assistance implementation?                                                                     |   |                                                                   |

**Action #42:** Strengthen national level coordination including by ensuring regular dialogue with national and international stakeholders on progress and challenges in implementation and requirements for assistance including by establishing an appropriate National Mine Action Platform, wherever possible.

Indicators:

1. Percentage of affected States Parties that report efforts to strengthen national coordination with national and international stakeholders and States Parties in a position to provide assistance.
2. Percentage of affected States Parties that report having established a National Mine Action Platform.

| ACTION | QUESTION                                                                                                                                 | YES | NO | EXPLAIN STATUS, INCLUDING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES                 |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 42.1   | a. Is there a national coordination with national and international stakeholders and States Parties in a position to provide assistance? | X   |    | Limited coordination.                                             |
|        | b. How is victim assistance addressed in the coordination meeting?                                                                       |     |    | Stakeholders and UN partners meetings are conducted periodically. |

<sup>6</sup> Individualised Approach (IA) is facilitated by the Convention's Committee on Enhancement of Cooperation and Assistance in response to request from States Parties. IA event offers a valuable opportunity for States Parties with outstanding obligations to engage with those States Parties in a position to offer assistance as well as other donor agencies. For further information in this regard contact the Implementation Support Unit (ISU).

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|             | c. Are ministries responsible for victim assistance coordination and services and relevant organisations included in the coordination meetings? | Yes, in some workshops. |
| <b>42.2</b> | a. Is there a National Mine Action Platform in place and includes victim assistance?                                                            | Not yet.                |

## CROSS-CUTTING ACTIONS AND INDICATORS

Given the cross-cutting nature of Victim Assistance commitments, several of the victim assistance actions (#30-#39) overlap with some of the other actions in the SRAAP, such as cross-cutting actions and international cooperation and assistance actions. In completing this Checklist as well as reporting on victim assistance implementation, it is recommended to examine other actions that complement or strengthen aspects of Actions 30 to 39. The table below summarises such overlaps.

| Actions 30–39                                                | Complementing/matching Actions                                                                   | Indicators                                                                                                       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Action 30:</b> Focal point for victim assistance          | <b>Actions 1, 2, 3, 5, 40, 41:</b> National coordination, inclusive planning, national ownership | focal point for victim assistance; indicators include designated entity, inclusive plans, and resources          |
| <b>Action 31:</b> Multi-sectoral framework for victim rights | <b>Actions 1, 5, 23, 42:</b> Multi-sector integration, disability in national policies           | Multi-sector coordination; indicators focus on inter-ministerial efforts and victim needs in national frameworks |

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| <b>Action 32:</b> Victim identification, data               | <b>Actions 8, 9:</b> Data, reporting                                                   | Article 7 report; disaggregated data on mine and other explosive ordnance victims                                                                                                           |
| <b>Action 33:</b> Emergency and health services for victims | <b>Actions 18:</b> Emergency response, risk education in emergencies                   | Health and psychological support for victims; indicators measure response mechanisms and healthcare availability                                                                            |
| <b>Action 35:</b> Rehabilitation service accessibility      | <b>Actions 1, 40, 42:</b> High level of national ownerships and increased partnerships | Rehabilitation reaches in underserved areas; indicators track availability of rehabilitation services and enhanced partnerships                                                             |
| <b>Action 36:</b> Mental health and peer support access     | <b>Actions 1, 3:</b> Integration, context-specific efforts                             | MHPSS; indicators cover victim access to psychological services and peer support, national commitments, and plans                                                                           |
| <b>Action 37:</b> Social and economic inclusion             | <b>Actions 5, 40, 41:</b> Socio-economic support                                       | Access to education and employment; indicators measure reach of social and economic programs for victims and national resources                                                             |
| <b>Action 38:</b> Safety in humanitarian plans              | <b>Actions 26:</b> Risk reduction, inclusive planning for affected communities         | Safety in emergencies specifically for mine victims; indicators track integration of victim safety in crisis plans and risk education and reduction programme tailored to community's needs |
| <b>Action 39:</b> Accessibility and participation           | <b>Actions 1, 2:</b> Inclusivity, national capacity                                    | Removing barriers to participation; indicators measure victim representation and reasonable accommodation                                                                                   |