CCW Meetings of Experts of APII and Protocol V

Victims Assistance

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Disability issues in Cambodia

- War and genocidal regime
- Mine and ERW
- Work and traffic accident
- Malnutrition and disease
### Remaining mine/ERW Issues

#### Achievement 1992- August 2013

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<td>Area released (m²)</td>
<td>1,057,852,965</td>
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<td>APM found/destroyed</td>
<td>986,114</td>
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<td>ATM found/destroyed</td>
<td>23,131</td>
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<td>ERW found/destroyed</td>
<td>2,450,411</td>
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BLS Results:
Landmines/ERW contaminated areas to be released - circa 2,000 Km²
Casualties Overview

| All known casualties by end 2013 | 64,314 since 1979 |
| Total casualties by outcome | Killed: 19,684 (31%) |
| | Amputated: 8,921 (14%) |
| | Injured: 35,709 (55%) |
| | Amputated + Injured= 44,615 (69%) |

Mine/ERW casualties ranked by years from 1979 to October 2013
NPA covers:
1. Understanding the extent of the challenges faced
2. Emergency and on-going medical care
3. Physical rehabilitation
4. Psychological support & social reintegration (Psychological support & Education)
5. Economic reintegration (Vocational training and business & micro-finance)
6. Law and public policies
Who is Disability Action Council (DAC)?

• DAC was established by the law on the Protection and the Promotion of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

• DAC is a National Coordination and Advisory Mechanism of disabilities issues in the Kingdom of Cambodia.
  – Inter-ministerial/-institutional representatives including from provincial/sub national level
  – Private Sector through Chamber of Commerce
  – Development Partners – DPs (UN, IAs, Donors)
  – Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) including PWDs.
What DAC does?

- Leads, regulates, coordinates, facilitates as a unique rep. of the RGC for the implementation of the CRPD.
- Develops National Strategic Plan and Action Plan as needed for the disability sector in Cambodia.
- Consolidate progress report for the implementation of disability framework for RGC and relevant stakeholders.
- Monitors and evaluates the implementation of policies, national plans, laws/regulations related to disability issues.
- Facilitates relevant ministries/institutions and organizations for development of policies, strategies and action plans related to disability and rehabilitation.
- Fives technical advice on disability and rehabilitation issues.
What DAC does?

- Organizes national, regional, international fora and other related events for PWDs in Cambodia;
- Establishes DAC at the provincial level;
- Establishes working group on disability at inter-Ministries/Institutions;
- Coordinates between Government line-Ministries/Institutions and DPs, CSOs & PSs;
- Secretariat General of DAC consists of the following:
  - Administration & Finance Unit
  - Rights of Persons with Disability Unit
  - Health and Rehabilitation Unit
  - Integration of Persons with Disabilities Unit
  - Disability Development Unit
What has DAC been doing for CRPD?


- Organisation of the Training of Trainers on CRPD to DAC–SG management and staff in August 2013;

- Translation of the CRPD into local language with both national and sub national distribution;

- Production of TV talk shows to promote CRPD.
Structure of Mine Action in Cambodia

Overall Framework
- CRPD
- APMBC - CAP
- NSDP
- CMDGs
- Local Law APM
- Local Law PPR-PWDs

MA Policy/Strategic Framework
- Standards/Guidelines
- NMAS
- Partnership Principles

Operations
- Mine Clearance
  - Baseline Survey
  - Planning & Prioritization
  - Land Release (NTS, TS, FC)
  - Victim Assistance
  - IMSMA
  - QM: QA/QC
- Risk Education

Output
- Efficient and targeted Mine Action
  - Increase in Km² Released
  - Decrease in casualties

Outcome
- Poverty Reduction & Higher Economic Growth
Goals of the National Mine Action Strategy

Goal 1: Reduce mine/ERW casualties and other negative impacts
- by allocating demining assets to the most impacted communities
- by promoting Mine/ERW Risk Education

Goal 2: Contribute to economic growth and poverty reduction
- by supporting local, sub-national, & national dept. priorities
- **by supporting access to care for survivors**
- by supporting the land administration processes to secure rights of intended beneficiaries of clearance;

Goal 3: Ensure sustainable national capacities to adequately address the residual mine/ERW contamination
- by reviewing the institutional framework to address the residual problem
- by identifying capacity gaps, and maintaining sustainable capacity
- by supporting the Mine Ban Treaty, and adhering to the Convention on Conventional Weapons Protocol V on explosive remnants of war

Goal 4: Promote international and regional disarmament and stability
- by supporting demining work in the framework of UNPK forces
- through exchange of expertise at national, regional and international levels
The Government of Cambodia has issued 5 Sub-Decrees including:


– Sub-Decree on Employment Quotas for Persons with Disabilities – 30 August 2010;

– Sub-Decree on the Functioning of Persons with Disabilities Foundation – 13 September 2010;

– Sub-Decree on policy support to poor disabled persons in their communities – 27 June 2011;

– New Sub-Decree on the new Organization and Functioning of the Disability Action Council – 2\textsuperscript{nd} May 2013.
CHALLENGES FACED BY PWDs

- Discrimination and negative attitude;
- Inequality on education and vocational training;
- Challenging physical environment;
- Limited accessibility;
- Lack of transportation;
- Insufficient information on service provisions;
- Heavy dependence of PWDs upon their families.
STRENGTHS

- Laws, Regulations and Plans:
  As mentioned

- New Bodies:
  As mentioned

- Collaboration among stakeholders:
  Government, Private Sector, Civil Societies, Development Partners...
WEAKNESSES

• Law, regulations and Plans: not practical, not effective

• Database: no system, no process

• Resources: lack of human and financial resources

• Service provision: poor coordination among service providers

• Participation of Vulnerable groups: lack of participation of vulnerable group of PWDs
Opportunities and Threats

- CRPD, Incheon Strategy, Networks, ASEAN Community;
- Lessons learnt from similar cross-cutting issues such as Mine Action, Gender, Sanitation & Hygiene models for Disability sector;
- Unpredictable situations (disaster, politic, economic)
MOVING FORWARD:

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Thank you for your attention!