

JMAS Activity Report

Japan Mine Action Service

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Numerous numbers of ERWs (Explosive Remnants of War) remain as aftermath of conflict over the world, and force people to live in severe environment. To create safe and productive land, JMAS has been doing worldwide demining activities led by the specialists retired from the Self-Defense Force of Japan.

Lao PDR: Disposal of UXOs Project

Laos is a world eminent heavily contaminated country by UXOs (unexploded-ordnance) including "cluster bombs (ball bombs)". Various kinds and tremendous number of UXOs used in Vietnam War still remain and even now, have been forcing the people a lot of victims every year. JMAS has been doing UXO clearance activities in Xieng Khouang and Attapeu provinces and technically supports the members of UXO Lao; the Laos national organization. The first convention by the member states of Cluster Ban Treaty will be held in Laos in November 2010.



Cluster Bomb Blast



Several hundreds of ball bombs are contained in cluster bombs. By throwing ball bombs for fun, children sometimes get injured by explosion.



Technical Adviser Nakashio and Kariya in action.



Site visit by the members of Cluster Bomb Ban Treaty, Oct 2008



TA Nakajo (left) leads defusing action to a bomb.

Angola: Demining and Reconstruction Project

In June 2008, JMAS started new mechanical demining project in south-west Africa, Republic of Angola. This year comes the third period year. The demining machine called NAJIRA performed operations smoothly and cleared the land area of 330,000 square meters safely so far.



Demining Machine "NAJIRA"



Rep. Doi and joyful children in JMAS Camp.



JMAS Angola Team



JMAS Rep.Doi (center, 2nd line) in the annual conference hosted by the Angola Humanitarian Mine Action Committee.

Pakistan: Water Supply System Construction Project

Started in '09, since June this year, water supply system projects are undergoing in the villages 80km northeast of Islamabad and 1,000m high. To provide clean and safe water, JMAS repairs or newly sets 10 water tanks and water pipes connecting them.



Water Tank establishment in December 2009. (Rep Kakehi and JMAS President Nonaka, at center)



Children use new water supply system, Kakrai Village

Cambodia: Demining and Reconstruction Project

JMAS, in cooperation with CMAC (Cambodia Mine Action Center), has been doing CBD (Community-Based Demining) manual demining project and SVC (Safe-Village Construction) mechanical demining Project.

Moreover, the disposal of UXOs are undergoing in 3

provinces; Siem-Reap, Kampong-Speu and Takeo. Furthermore, JMAS performs mine awareness education for local people to reduce risks of dangerous UXOs.



Technical Adviser Imai (right) teaches land survey.



A deminer, searching landmines.



TA Tanda teaches the dangers of Uxos



Mechanical demining

Afghanistan: Demining Project

JMAS has been doing demining activities in cooperation with DDG (Denmark Demining Group) in Bagram District, Parwan Province. Rep. Kakehi and 2 JMAS Technical Advisers locate in Islamabad office and periodically visit Kabul office and Bagram site to lead the local staffs.



Rep. Kakehi presents stationary to children after the mine risk-reduction education program.



Deminer



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JMAS Tokyo Office

At Exhibition



JMAS 8th.General Assembly in 2010



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