



The Swiss Foundation for Mine Action

Who we are:

- A Swiss Foundation
- A private initiative since 1997
- Currently 73 international experts, nearly 536 local staff (HQ: 12 posts)
- Budget 2006: USD 20 millions

What we do

- Mine and UXO clearance
- Survey/GMAA
- Mine risk education
- Stockpile reduction
- National capacity building

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FSD is WFP's stand-by partner for Mine Action world-wide

FSD can intervene in 72 hours to help WFP provide and ensure urgent humanitarian aid.



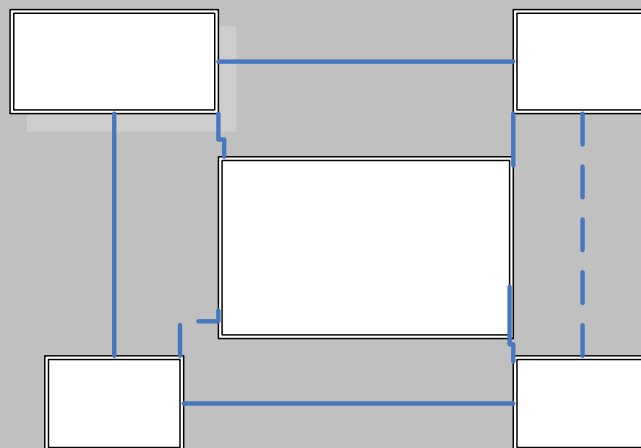
FSD Tajikistan: Project Initiation



- May 2002; at the invitation of the ICRC, FSD deployed an assessment mission to Tajikistan.
- July 2002; FSD assist the Tajik Government in requesting the GICHD to deploy an IMSMA data base system to Tajikistan.
- October 2002; OSCE / FSD hold first talks with the intension of initiating Mine Action activities in Tajikistan.
- February 2003; FSD permanent representative deployed to Tajikistan.
- May 2003; OSCE contracts the FSD to commence Survey activities.

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The Tajik Demining Partnership



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Results FSD Tajikistan 2003 - 2006



- GMAA 1076 villages
- Discreditation of previously reported contaminated areas:
 - 124km's of road.
 - 29 sq Km's of land.
- Area cleared 450 598 Sqm's
- Destruction of 2264 AP mines.
- Destruction of 3 AT mines.
- Destruction of 753 UXO.
- Destruction of 4,096 SAA.
- Potential Dangerous Area Reduction through destruction of UXO 970 000 Sqm's.
- Investigation of 5 mine/UXO incidents.
- Deployment of 650 Hazard Warning Signs.
- On-going clearance of 4 mined areas.
- 3 Suspended tasks.
- Completion of 26 training Courses

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2007 and Beyond: Plans and Problems



- Increase of Manual Clearance teams from 4 to 12.
- Inclusion of Mechanical assets into overall Clearance toolbox.
- Detailed Dangerous Area delineation Survey to decrease the amount of land suspected to be mined.
- Increased level of Nationalisation, (according to project needs), of current Tajik project; plus expand to a regional approach in regards to eliminating ERW.
- Tajikistan is one of the very few countries where the end is in sight in regards to demining. (Kosovo Scenario)
- Short Demining Season/ Delayed Annual Implementation/ Insufficient overall funding to enable compliance with Ottawa Treaty.

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