

Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

Victim Assistance

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Excellencies, Distinguished colleagues, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am honored to present the achievements made by the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan in Victim Assistance.

Achievements of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan during 2018 are as follows:

An Inter-ministerial committee has been formed to discuss and coordinate at very high level the affairs related to disability and victim assistance. This committee has 50 members and observers from various related government ministries and nongovernmental organisations under chairmanship of H.E. Chief Executive.

A 10-year strategy on Victim Assistance and Disability affairs, for 2019 – 2028 is finalized. This strategy guides and mainstreams the activities related to Victim Assistance and Disability at country level.

A central database is established for the affairs related to victims and persons with disabilities. The database is being utilized for registration of victims and persons with disabilities and recording their needs and priorities. Biometric registration process of 300,000 heirs of martyrs and war victims is going on. By completion of the registration process, there will be a better understanding on the needs and requirements of war victims and it will help in better planning and priority setting of victim assistance and disability related activities.

At the end, on behalf of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, I would like to thank all the donors who have provided finance in support of Victim Assistance activities in Afghanistan.

Thank you very much.