

# Republic of the Sudan

**Presentation  
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**Reconstruction/rehabilitation of Babanusa-Wau  
Railway line in progress**



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## **Q. 1: What is the plan to destroy all mines in mined areas**

1. Determine the scope and impact of the mine/ERW contamination problem through a Nation wide Landmine Impact Survey, nearly completion
2. Allocate enough resources from the national budget (GONU and GOSS) to fund mine action activities in the country
3. Build necessary mine/ERW national clearance assets to clear mines in mined areas
4. Work with the UN and other international organizations to clear mines in 80% of high priority mined areas
5. Clear all mines in mined areas by 2014

## Q. 2 What has been achieved since April 2007

### National mine/ERW clearance assets:

- Clearance/verification of 446 Km long Babanusa-Wau Railway line
- Clearance/verification of 234 Km high priority roads in Eastern Sudan
- Clearance/verification of 140 Km high priority road between Malakal and Ayod



### National mine/ERW clearance assets ...

- 149 anti vehicle mines destroyed
- 37 antipersonnel mines destroyed
- more than 25,000 pieces of explosive devices destroyed



## Progress by UN and other organizations, area cleared

Table 2.1: Area cleared (square meter) per region:

State	Prior to 2008	Feb-08	Mar-08	Year 2008	Total
A	B	C	D	E	F
Bahr El Ghazal	1,638,259	11284	976	12604	1,650,863
Central	1,100,640	44907.5	39660	90,964	1,191,604
Darfur	31,429	0	0	0	31,429
Eastern	9,313,561	12588.5	18004.5	30593	9,344,154
Equatoria	10,155,388	606,834	239,986	940,504	11,095,892
Kordofan	10,960,390	85633	73356	238,603	11,198,993
Upper Nile	1,284,406	848461	1031069	2,130,285	3,414,691
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,484,073</b>	<b>1,609,708</b>	<b>1,403,052</b>	<b>3,443,553</b>	<b>37,927,626</b>

2008\* including figures in column D

## Progress by and UN/other organizations, roads verified and cleared

- More than 23,000 km of high priority roads and routes have been assessed, verified and handed over for public use

## Progress by and UN/other organizations, devices destroyed

Prior to 2007	AP	2,214	0	401	2,615
	AT	1,141	0	11	1,152
	FRAG	0	0	1	1
	SAA	123,386	1	102,356	225,743
	UXO	307,239	347	16,675	324,261
Year 2007	AP	2,422	0	292	2,714
	AT	1192	0	97	1,289
	FRAG	2	0	0	2
	SAA	5,201	0	130,385	135,586
	UXO	312,467	527	3,406	316,400
Year 2008	AP	479	0	212	691
	AT	28	0	7	35
	FRAG	0	0	0	0
	SAA	1	0	3055	3056
	UXO	21,972	0	566	22,538
Total	AP	5,224	0	935	6,159
	AT	2,369	0	115	2,484
		2	0	1	3
	SAA	128,588	1	258,796	387,385
	UXO	705,615	874	20,803	727,292

## Q.3 What work remains to be done ?

Table 1.1: Number of dangerous areas per state.

State	Total Number of DA	DA Cleared	DA Waiting Clearance
A	B	C	D
Blue Nile	152	49	103
Central Equatoria	725	323	402
East Equatoria	429	180	249
Gadaref	1	0	1
Jongley	56	18	38
Kassala	73	22	51
Lakes	157	120	37
North Bahr El Ghazal	81	28	53
North Darfur	60	53	7
Red Sea	4	0	4
South Darfur	9	5	4
South Kordofan	620	396	224
Unity	13	7	6
Upper Nile	64	6	58
Warab	192	69	123
West Bahr El Ghazal	295	102	193
West Darfur	3	2	1
West Equatoria	146	60	86
	3,080	1,440	1,640

## Q. 4 Challenges, impediments

- Lack of enough funding,
- Lack of modern technologies, expertise
- Lack of equipment, such as Caspers, flails, and other heavy machinery ,
- Lack of enough human resources
- Logistical difficulties, long rainy seasons,
- Political complexities and uncertainties



## Q.5 State Financial and Technical Means ?

- GoNU and GOSS provided more than US\$ 8 equipment and operations
- Mine action included in the budget of GONU and GOSS
- Recruited more than 120 management and field staff on state pay roll
- Trained 260 deminers in Nairobi and in China
- 110 deminers deployed to the field
- Procurement of 3 Graders, 5 Dozers and 12 Off Road vehicles, 2 water tankers, 2 heavy duty trucks for field operations





## Q. 6, Priorities for Assistance

- Technical and financial assistance in strengthening/developing national capacities
- Specialized/focused training in quality assurance, monitoring, information management, demining,



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- Equipment (Vehicles, flail machines, mine detectors)
- Technical and financial support to the implementation of the transition plan



## Q. 7 Mine action by UN and External Organizations

- Mine action is still largely being coordinate/managed by the UN,
- A large number of external organizations are engaged in mine action activities

## Q. 8 Mine Action Transition to National Ownership

- The GONU, GOSS and UN have embarked on a mine action transition planning process
- Three workshops have been held since Feb 2008
- A mine action transition framework has been developed
- Mine action transition plans are being developed with a deadline of 2011 for full transition and full national ownership
- Mine action capacity development plans in support of the transition process are being developed



**THANK YOU**  
**Questions and Comments**

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