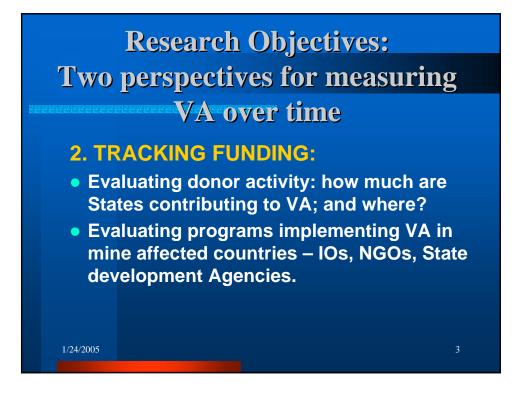
Measuring National and Global Needs and Capacities in Victim Assistance: Progress and Challenges

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# Challenges with researching Victim Assistance on a global or national level Several sources of data collection exist producing different types of data. National health authorities / IMSMA – mine incidents reports Medical, rehabilitation and social service providers reports Specific ad hoc surveys (on programmes, institutions, beneficiaries, communities) secondary sources : media, IOs and NGOs reports.

# General problems with researching

### Victim Assistance

on a global or national level

- Difficulty in gathering raw data in a systematic way in mine affected countries
- Some data does not exist
- Unreliability of data that does exist:
  - biased sources

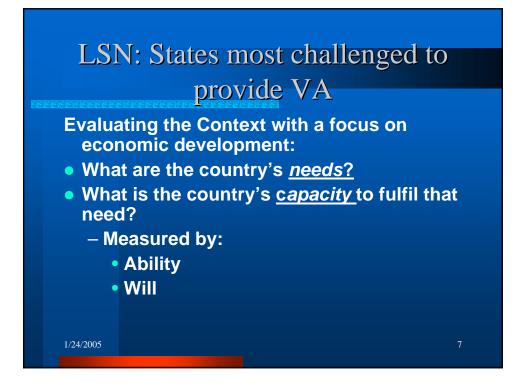
- biased methodology: data often reflects specific programmatic priorities for which it was collected

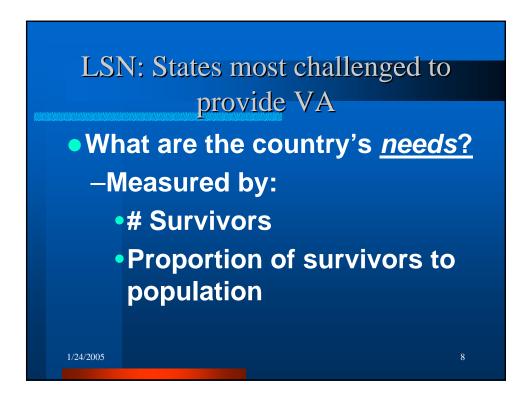
→ Therefore comparison over time difficult

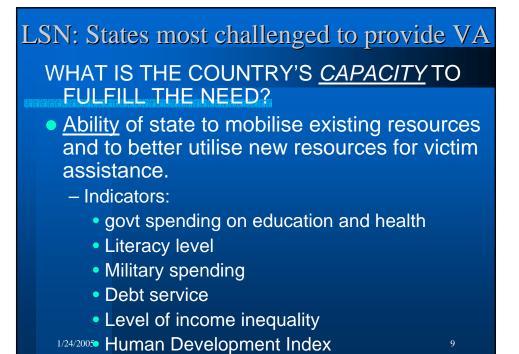
→ cross country comparisons not possible

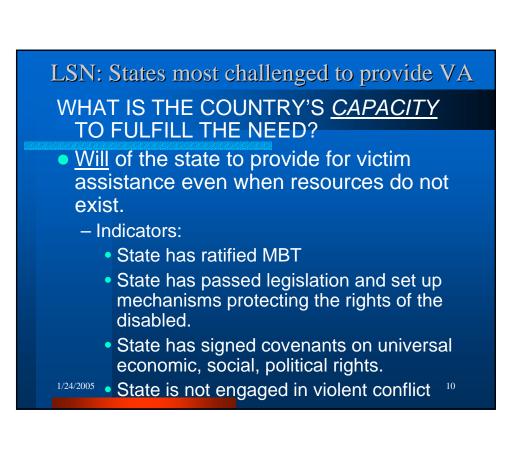
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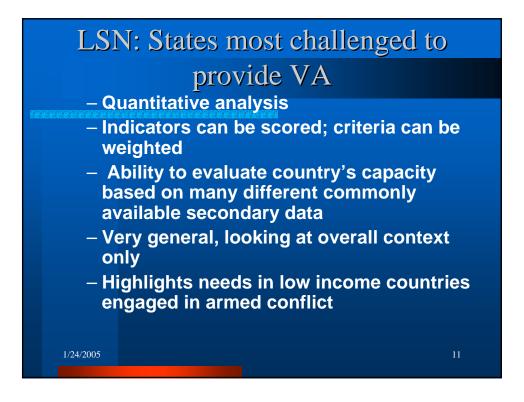














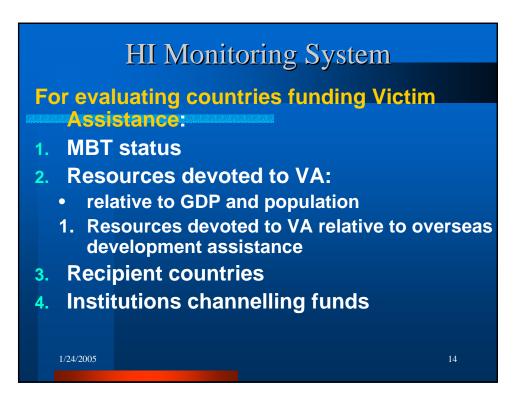
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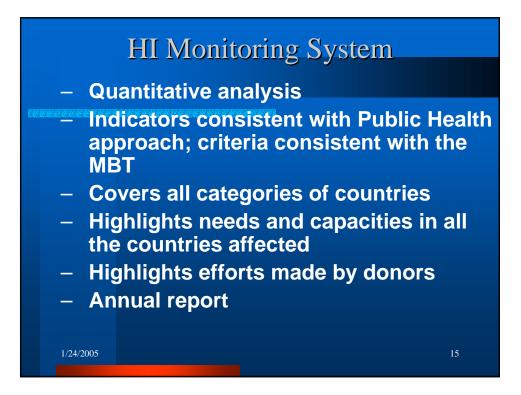
For evaluating countries affected by landmines and for countries whose nationals were hit abroad data is collected on:

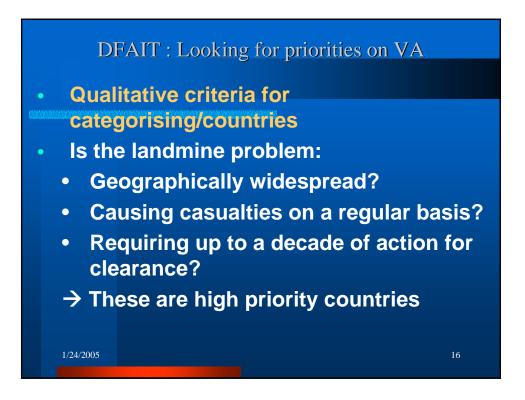
- Victims
- Socio economic capacities (HDI), health performance (WHO)
- Existing services (all components of VA) and access (geographical and financial)

Disability policy and practice

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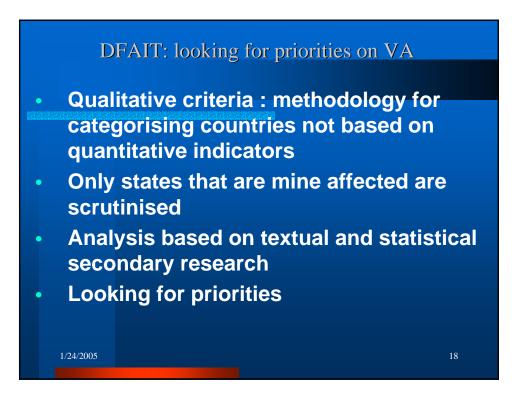


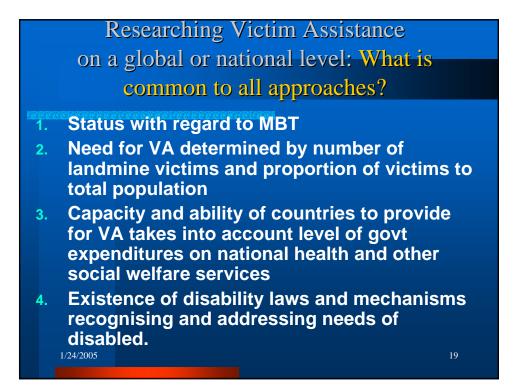




### DFAIT : Looking for priorities on VA

- 1. Extent to which info on mine victim's demographics and needs are available
- 2. Extent to which programs and services exist:
  - for socio-economic reintegration
  - for medical care and rehab
- 3. Extent to which mine victims are protected by laws
- Extent to which there are disability mechanisms:
  - 1. In the form of community advocacy networks
  - 2. In the form of national disability co-







There is a need for:

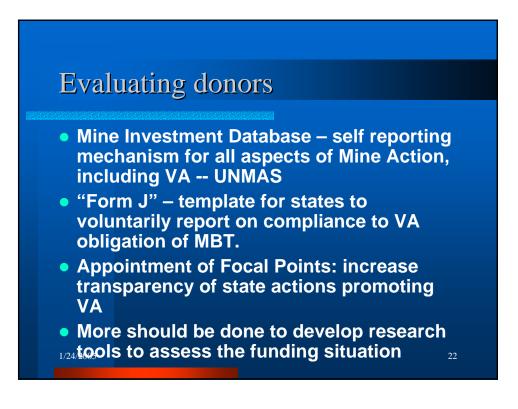
- **1. Evaluating VA in affected countries**
- 2. Evaluating donors

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3. Evaluating programs (efficiency, quality)

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# **Evaluating programs**

- There are no tools that permit systematic evaluations of all programs that include VA on a global level
- There are evaluations done for specific programs in specific countries, often initiated by VA providers or donors.

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