



Mine Action Program for Afghanistan

Implementing Partners
ATC; DAFA; MCPA; MDC



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Founder and Director of ATC



Chairman of the Afghanistan Mine Action Implementing Partners EC.

- ATC started demining activities in Afghanistan in 1989
 - ATC has:
 - ❖ 25 Manual Mine Clearance teams of 40 people each(2 of them are adopt a team program)
 - ❖ 12 Explosive Ordinance Disposal Teams of 13 people each
 - ❖ 10 Mechanical Demining Units of 20 people each
 - ❖ 5 Community Based Mine Action Teams
 - ❖ 4 Mine Risk Education Teams
 - ❖ 2 DDR Projects
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Mr. Abdul Sattar Director of DAFA

- DAFA started demining activities in Afghanistan in 1990;
- DAFA has:
 - 18 Manual Mine Clearance teams of 40 people;
 - 4 Explosive Ordinance Disposal Teams of 9 people;
 - 5 Mechanical Demining Units of 20 people each;
 - DDR Projects



Mr. Atiq Atiqullah Director of MCPA



- MCPA started survey activities in Afghanistan in 1990;
- MCPA has:
 - 41 Technical Survey Teams;
 - 16 Assessments Teams;
 - 41 Mine Dog Sets working with the technical survey teams

DDR Process - Afghanistan New Beginnings Programme (ANBP)

- **Governmental Process**
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 - DDR WG
 - Stake holders, 4 Commissions, Over 10 Ministries, Donors
- **Parallel to formation ANA**
- **8 x Regional Office, 3 x D & D Mobile Centres**
- **Resource Mobilization**
 - Trust fund
 - Donors



WHAT IS DDR?



D. DISARMAMENT

D. DEMOBILIZATION

R. REINTEGRATION

■ Why DDR?

- To provide active Afghan Military Force (AMF) soldiers the opportunity to be reintegrated into civilian life.
- To promote the restoration of security nationwide
- To facilitate the creation and deployment of the Afghan National Army

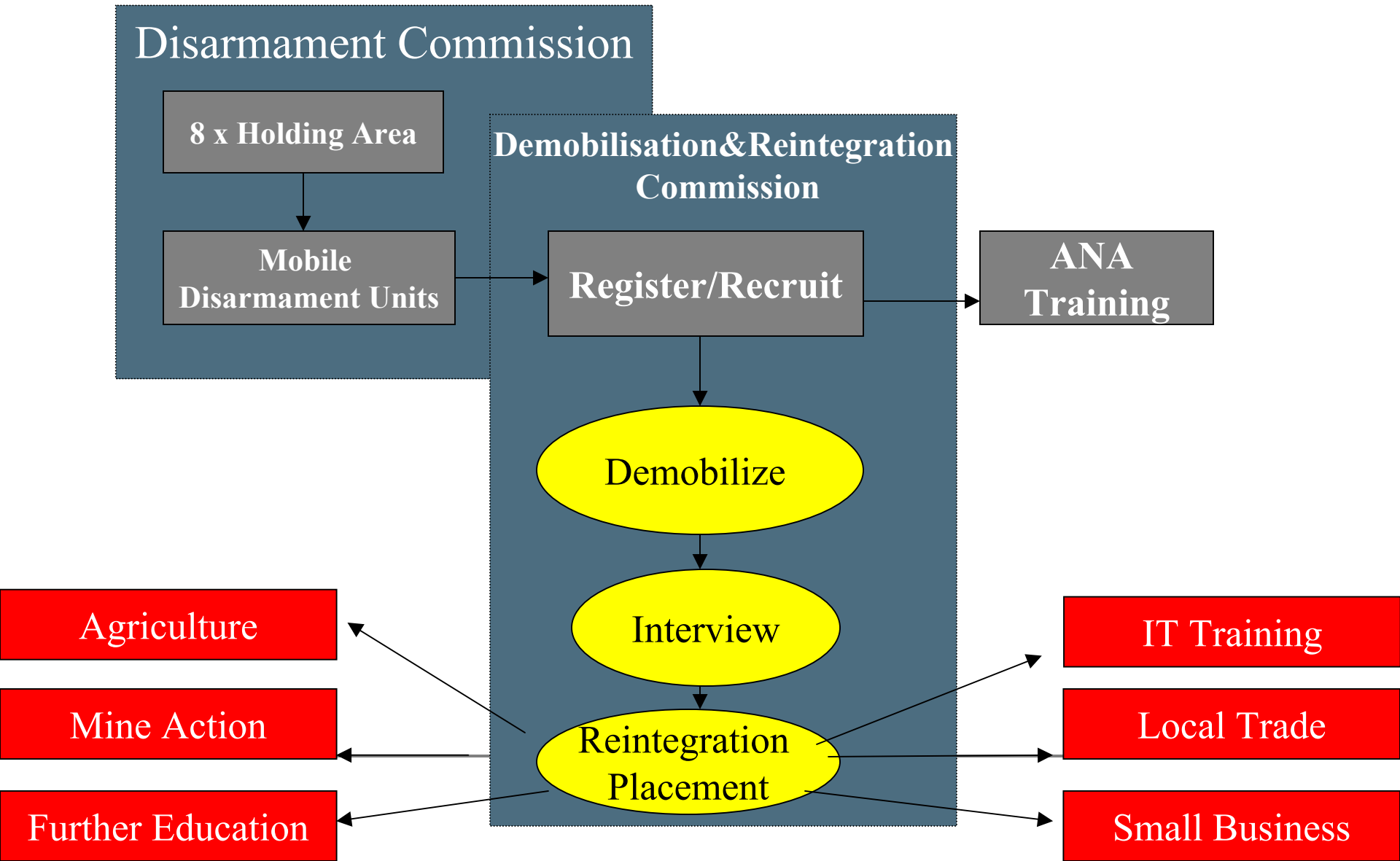
DDR Concept



Demobilised former combatants will be trained and equipped for mine clearance, marking and risk education activities, resulting in:

- **Rehabilitation of local economic activities;**
 - **Peace and stability of the country;**
 - **Soldiers conduct mine action activities and work in land cleared under the scheme;**
 - **Literacy/vocational training integrated into the daily work schedule.**
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Process for Disarmament/Demobilization and Reintegration



Advantages



- Capacity stays among the communities and remains as a focal point in case a mine problem emerges in the future;
- Lower cost compared to usual demining;
- Sustainability;
- Better economy for residents of communities;
- People turn away from violence to a peaceful life;
- Options can be developed for low cost clearance of low priority areas in the future;

Reconstruction



- Combined effort from demining NGOs working under one site office;
- Multi tasking project office;
- Working to government developed priorities;
- Integration of different assets from different NGOs;
- Changing future of demining within Afghanistan;
- Development of goal orientated projects by Afghan Government.