




# THE ALBANIAN MINE ACTION PROGRAMME

## “Victim Assistance and Social- Economic Reintegration”


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## Mine/UXO Victims in Albania



- 238 mine/UXO survivors
- 34 deceased
- 25,500 civilians living in 39 directly affected villages





## Socio-economic Impact



- Civilians residing in 39 directly affected villages denied access to their lands for agricultural purposes
- Potential infrastructure development is hindered
- Restricted movement of people and goods
- Some water sources in NE Albania are still blocked by mines
- Civilians are migrating from mine affected areas to other villages/towns in search of employment and services



## Victim Assistance Strategy

With ICBL assistance a broad integrated victim assistance strategy was adopted in Albania.

**Vision:** All mine victims to be physically rehabilitated and socially economically reintegrated into their communities.

**Mission:** To build a sustainable Albanian victim assistance capability by December 2006.

**Goals:**

- To ensure the physical rehabilitation of 238 mine and UXO survivors
- Establish a sound basis by December 2006 for the socio-economic reintegration of mine and UXO victims in Northeast Albania
- Capacity building of a sustainable Albanian Victim Assistance structure by December 2006 for the physical rehabilitation of mine and UXO victims.





## Goal: to build an Albanian Survivor Assistance Capacity by 2006

### Plans for 2005-6:

- ✓ Reconstruct the NPC
- ✓ Train prosthetic technicians to international standards
- ✓ Vocational training programme for mine survivors
- ✓ Establishment of revolving loan fund
- ✓ Advocacy raising for rights of people with disabilities



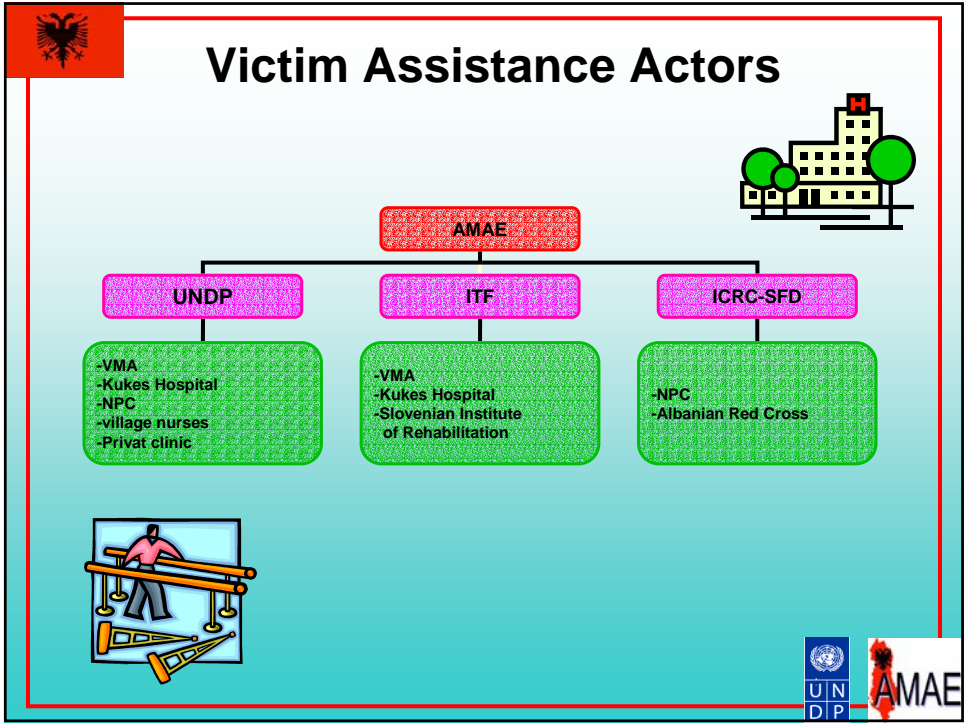
### By the end of 2006, Albania should have the capacity to:

- ✓ Provide all prostheses within country
- ✓ Provide improved delivery of social and medical services
- ✓ Rehabilitate mine victims through the establishment of an active community based rehabilitation network in NE Albania
- ✓ Ensure the socio-economic reintegration of mine/UXO survivors through an effective vocational training and revolving loan scheme




## Victim Assistance in Albania






## Victim Assistance Activities



- ✓ Capacity Building of NPC and provision of raw materials-ICRC-SFD
- ✓ Assistance abroad to amputees with difficult cases – ITF/US DoS
- ✓ Surgical Equipment for Kukes Regional Hospital – ITF/US DoS
- ✓ Social Services Project – ITF/US DoS
- ✓ Socio-economic reintegration through animal husbandry – ITF/US DoS
- ✓ Support to Landmine/UXO Survivors Project –UNDP (Night of a Thousand Dinners)
- ✓ Reintegration of Landmine/UXO Survivors Project – UNDP (BCPR DfiD)



CBR network



Socio-economic reintegration



# ECONOMIC REINTEGRATION



Animal husbandry



Beekeeping

❖ A revolving fund was set up in 2003 with US funding through the ITF, for the development of household economies among families of victims in NE Albania

❖ A survey was done to:

- Identify viable household economies – agricultural activities of beekeeping and animal husbandry were identified
- Determine the situation, needs and capabilities of each family- criteria were: degree of suffering/disability, economic situation and experience with relevant agricultural activities

❖ Each family, according to priorities, are allocated either 2 cows, 10 goats/sheep or 5 beehives, procured out of the revolving fund

❖ Families are also trained and assisted

❖ Loans (calves, lambs, beehives) have to be repaid in 2/3 years

❖ In the 2004, 40 families have benefited in this way



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## Funding required for 2005

Components	Total budget 2005 (USD)	Shortfall
Victim Assistance	980,000	255,000

