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ICRC Mine Action activities in the I.R. of Iran

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General Objective

- People living/moving in contaminated areas after the Iraq-Iran war and Afghan returnees to their country are less affected and have their exposure reduced by the threat posed by weapons contamination in their daily lives



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Partnership with Iranian Mine Action Center (IRMAC)

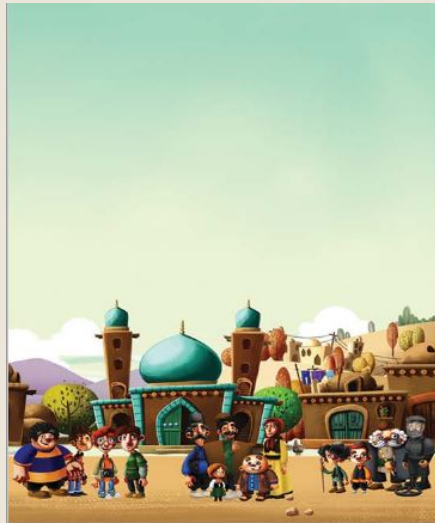
- Signed MoU on
 - ▶ Joint cooperation in the mine risk education program
 - ▶ Joint cooperation on sharing mine action knowledge and international standards, including exchange of experience, organizing special events
 - ▶ Joint cooperation in provision of support services and advocacy efforts for mine victims
 - ▶ ICRC support to IRMAC for safe humanitarian demining



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Producing MRE material

- Series of animation (12 episodes) and MRE brochures



خطر مین
و مواد منفجره به جا مانده از جنگ
در کمین است



هرگز! مین، مهمات و اشیاء مشکوک را
جابجا ننموده و آنها را دستکاری ننمایید.

خطر مین
و مواد منفجره به جا مانده از جنگ

هرگز! برای بیرون آوردن و یا نجات
فرد حادثه دیده وارد منطقه آلوده نشوید.



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و گلوله ها پرتاب نکنید.



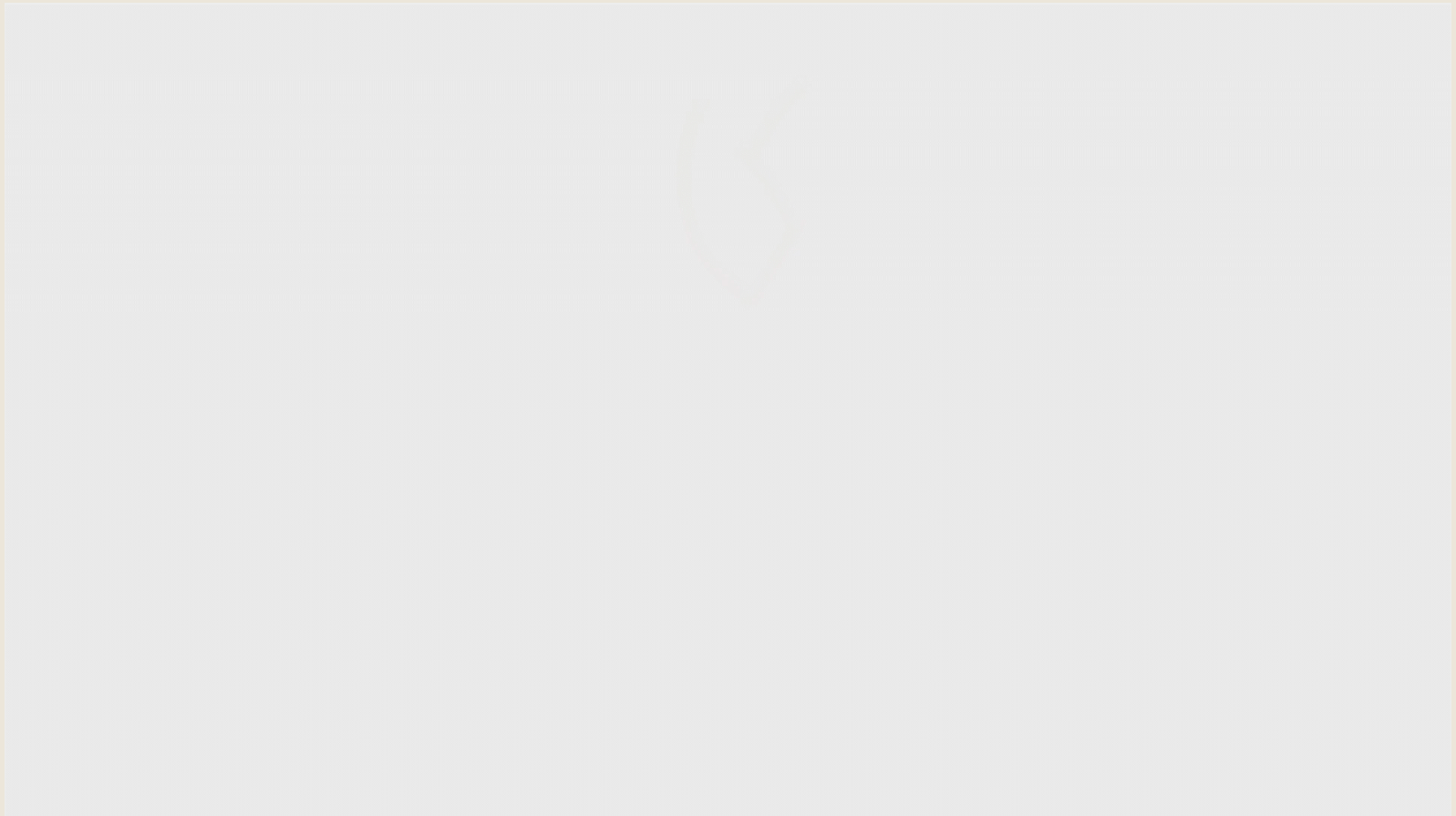
هرگز! وارد مناطق آلوده نشوید و از محل های
پرتود برای عبور و مرور استفاده ننمایید.



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Improve first aid capacities of the demining teams by the Blast Trauma Care course



Blast Trauma Care course



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Introduction to IHL and weapon conventions





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Support IRMAC participation in the international meetings and events





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International round table on “Humanitarian Mine Action, Challenges and Best Practices” March 2019





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Diplomatic visit to the Humanitarian mine action achievements in Iran





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Partnership with the Iranian Red Crescent Society (IRCS) in delivering risk awareness

- Quality, direct and consistent technical and financial support to IRCS on MRE implementation:
 - ▶ Training of trainers
 - ▶ Support a network of national and provincial focal points



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Partnership with the Iranian Red Crescent Society (IRCS) in delivering risk awareness

- Quality, direct and consistent technical and financial support to IRCS on MRE implementation
 - ▶ Sharing international experience and knowledge
 - ▶ Quality assurance



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Around 210,000 Afghans received MRE in 2019





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Around 78,000 Iranians received MRE in 2019





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Quality assurance





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Best practices

- Develop a SoP for implementation of MRE with the IRCS





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Best practices

- Develop the SoP for implementation of MRE with the IRCS
 - ▶ Scope of Application/Governing Instruments
 - ▶ Job Descriptions
 - ▶ Education (Specifications of Training Courses, Instructor Training Course, Refresher course for Instructors)
 - ▶ Reporting
 - ▶ Regulations and Action



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Best practices

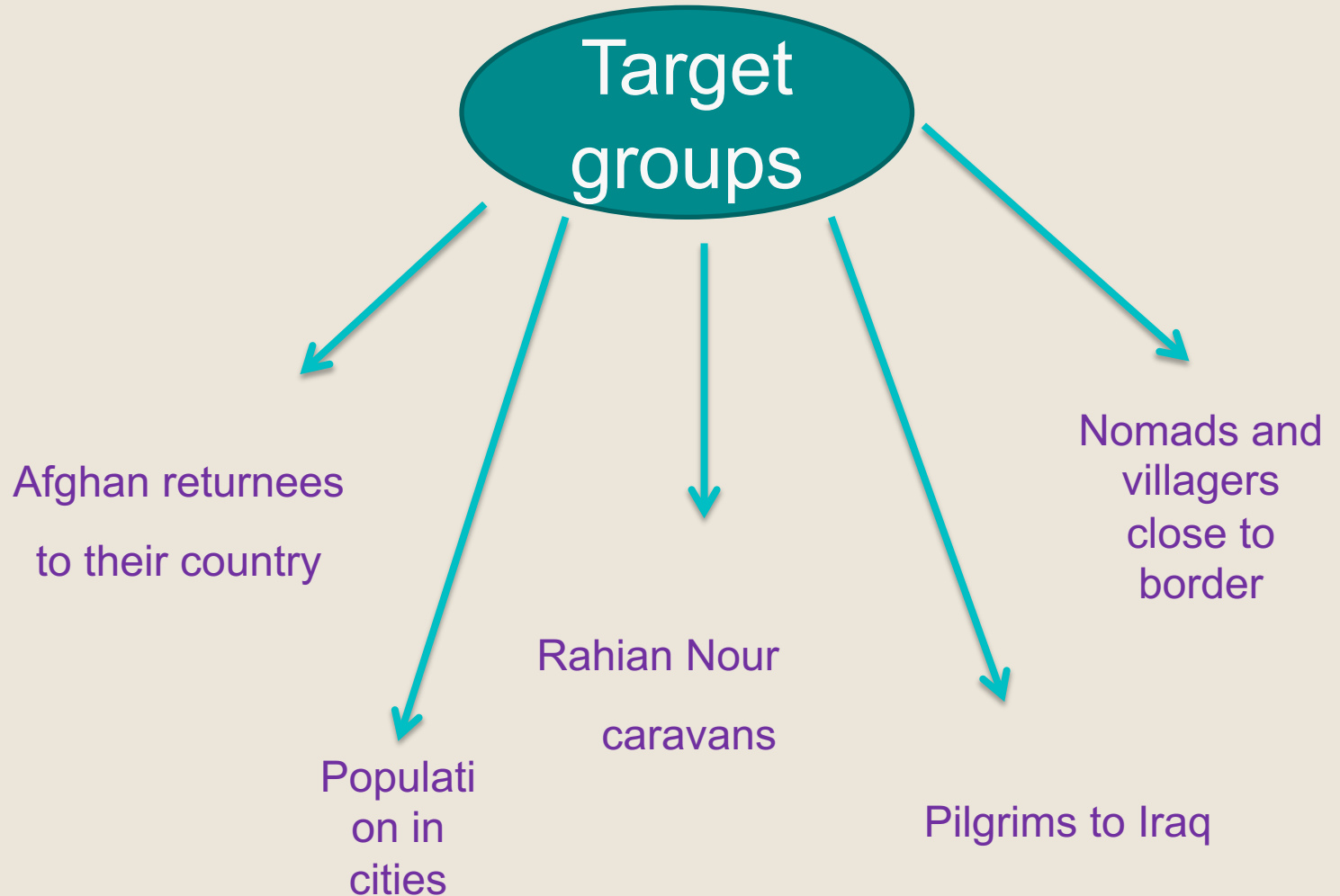
- ▶ Joint activities on developing MRE materials and agreement with the Iranian authorities (IRMAC, IRCS and SWO) to establish a joint MRE secretariat





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Best practices





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Risk Awareness for tourists





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Risk Awareness for Arbaeen pilgrims





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Best practices Coordination with other stakeholders





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Best practices

- Message testing





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Challenges

- Remote areas and access





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Challenges

- Assessment of effectiveness of the project
- Difficulties in measuring and documenting behavior change
- Coordination with other stakeholders in some contexts



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Partnership with State Welfare organization (SWO)

- Signed MoU in 2017 on MRE with the purpose of prevention of disabilities
 - ▶ Knowledge sharing on MRE implementation
 - ▶ Capacity building on MRE national standards





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Future plans

- Continue technical support on Risk Awareness and Safer behavior to the partners
- Assessment of the MRE project with IRCS
- Develop joint educational materials with the IRMAC and the IRCS
- MRE smart phone Application
- Version 2 of the IRCS SoP on MRE
- Support international cooperation and humanitarian mine action at regional level



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Thank you!

