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UPDATED WORKPLAN ARTICLE 5 NIGERIA

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NIGERIA: OVERVIEW



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- Population ~ 212m
- Decade long violent insurgency in north east Nigeria with EO Contamination
- Farmer herder clashes in north central
- Banditry in the north west
- Stockpile of landmines in south east from the civil war of 1967-1970



COMMITMENTS MADE AT 19 MSP 2021



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- The purpose of this request is to allow Nigeria to carry out the following:
- a. Establishment of a National Mine Action Centre to address the threat;
- b. Development of National Mine Action Standards;
- c. To strengthen the coordination of delivery of Explosive Ordnance Risk Education;
- d. Continue information collection efforts on the threat posed by anti-personnel mines;
- e. to develop a national mine action strategy and a work plan for implementation.



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PROGRESS MADE SINCE MSP 19

- a. Federal Government Approval for the Establishment of NHMAC (Nigeria's NMAA)/ National Mine Action Centre /Field Offices obtained
- b. Nigeria ratified the CCM
- c. UNMAS developed NMAS for EORE
- d. NHMAC To strengthen the coordination of delivery of Explosive Ordnance Risk Education;
- e. Continue information collection efforts on the threat posed by anti-personnel mines: New areas of contamination in South East + Collection of information on EO incidents and victims/survivors
- f. Nigeria's National Humanitarian Action Strategy (2023-2028) drafted by NHMAC , reviewed by all stakeholders, to be validated in July. To include evidence based detailed, costed and multi-year work plans.

NEW DISCOVERED

MARKED FENCED ST
AUGUSTINE SCHOOL
IN SOUTH EAST



EO from Civil War



EO CIVIL WAR





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WHAT WORK REMAINS IN ORDER FOR NIGERIA TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH ITS ARTICLE 5 OBLIGATIONS?

- a. Staffing and equipping of the NHMAC, NMAC and field offices,
- b. Finalizing Nigeria's National Humanitarian Action Strategy (2023-2028) including evidence based detailed, costed and multi-year work plans to be submitted MSP 21.
- c. Setting up of national IMSMA
- d. Technical Survey to determine the extent of contaminated areas/Local Government Areas, perimeter-marked, monitored and protected by fencing or other means, to ensure the effective exclusion of civilians, until all anti-personnel mines contained therein have been destroyed in line with the standards set out in the Annex to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons.
- e. Legal backing for Humanitarian Mine Action in Nigeria a law to encompass all types of EOs .
- f. Destruction of all types of Explosive Ordnances within Nigeria's territory
- g. Continue collection of sex, age and disability disaggregated data /information on the threat posed by anti-personnel mines, EO incidents and victims/survivors for VA
- Expanded EORE including inclusion in school curriculum



IS NIGERIA ON TRACK TO FULFILLING ITS MINE CLEARANCE OBLIGATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 5 BY ITS DEADLINE OF DECEMBER 2025?



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- The establishment of the NHMAC via a presidential directive to serve as Nigeria's NMAA for all HMA activities in Nigeria gives hope for optimism.
- Concerted effort by both national and international mine action stakeholders required through advocacy and technical support for the NHMAC .
- There is a big opportunity with the new incoming government for advocacy –push from without and a pull from within Nigeria .
- With more than 2 years remaining to the 2025 December deadline , it is still possible for Nigeria to meet its obligations but a call can only be made in 2024.



WHAT, IF ANY, ARE THE MAIN CHALLENGES FACED AND WHAT ARE YOUR PRIORITIES FOR EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE TO SUPPORT NIGERIA'S FULFILMENT OF ITS ARTICLE 5 OBLIGATIONS?



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PRIORITIES

- Equipping the approved NMAC and satellite field offices (vehicles, office equipment, PPE, demining equipment, communications equipment)
- Assistance in Technical Survey
- Assistance in setting up IM system
- Building national capacity preparatory for national ownership and transfer
- Sponsorship of visits to other experienced and long established NMAA for peer learning.



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CHALLENGES

- Transitioning government and legislature (BUT ALSO AN OPPORTUNITY)
- Limited budget not captured in 2023 national appropriations. UN budget for MA inadequate .
- Coordinated approach to HMA in Nigeria



THANK YOU



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