



NATO/PfP TRUST FUND PROJECT IN TAJIKISTAN



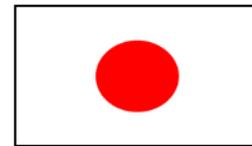
Contributor



Lead Nation



Principal Contributor



Milestones

2009	Tajikistan requests NATO assistance for Physical Security and Stockpile Management (PSSM).
2009/10	Feasibility study carried out on behalf of UK and Japan. Japan funded the study.
2010 - Feb	Project Proposal published following NAMSA in-country visit and identification of Fondation Suisse De Déminage (FSD) as potential contractor.
2010 -2011	Preparation of necessary Agreements.
8 th March 2011	Presentation to PPC / EAPC.
31 st January 2012	Signing Ceremony: Implementing Agreement and Executing Agent Agreement.

The Project

As a consequence of the 92-97 civil war there are many safety and security problems related to weapons and ammunition. Various international organizations and one NGO have been working to assist the Tajik Authorities in recent years, including OSCE, UNDP, the US DoD's Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) and the NGO Fondation Suisse de Déminage (FSD). Much of this has focussed on demining or securing the known stocks of munitions. There are many poorly guarded weapons and ammunition stores in the southern border region as well as caches of munitions that are unknown to the Tajik authorities.

The purpose of this project is to improve the physical security and stockpile management of ammunition in Tajikistan, and in particular to help secure the ammunition stocks close to Tajikistan's southern border with Afghanistan. Securing the stocks will help to prevent illicit cross-border trade in munitions and strengthen the security of the state.

The project includes the recruitment, training and deployment of a Weapons and Ammunition Disposal (WAD) Team that will work with government agencies and local communities to locate and destroy redundant and unserviceable munitions and, where necessary, relocate serviceable stocks to secure storage locations. The team will also conduct a survey of ammunition storage locations in the southern border region and recommend safety and security improvements. The WAD team would operate for 12 months.

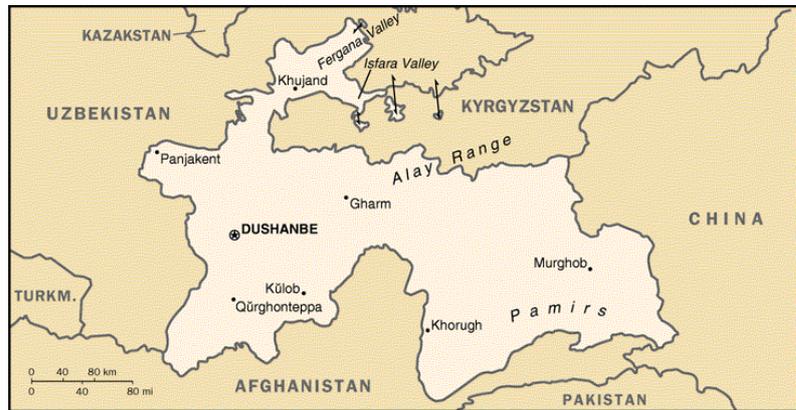
Project estimated costs: EUR 575,000
 Pledges received to date: EUR 208,000
 Funds required to start: EUR 500,000



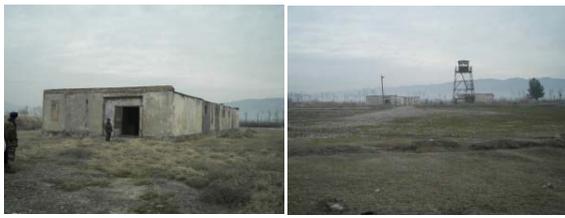
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Tajikistan



Poorly controlled munitions



Poor security and inadequate stockpile management



Open storage of aircraft bombs



An MoD munitions storage site near Dushanbe: air-dropped munitions MANPADS mortar tubes, heavy machine guns, SALW, and approx 300tons arty rounds and RPGs

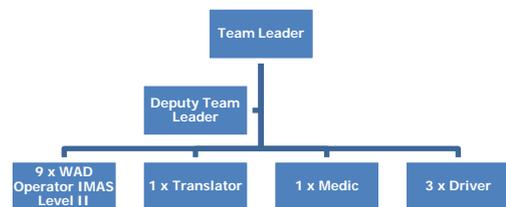
WAD Team Operations



FSD WAD operators unloading BM21 artillery rockets at the FSD depot at Lahur.



Destruction of MANPADS



Mobile WAD Team Structure