



FACTS:

- DCA has operated in Libya since 2011.
- **Beneficiaries:** In 2021, DCA reached 150,983 direct beneficiaries.
- **Turnover in 2021:** 6.976.000 EUR.
- **Projects:** In 2021, DCA Libya implemented 5 projects with the following donors: Danish Peace & Stabilisation Funds, EU IcSP, US PM/WRA, Hungarian Interchurch Aid and UK FCDO.
- **Employees:** 111 local staff and 16 international staff.
- **Partners:** Nana Maren, Libyan Red Crescent and Sirte Boys Scouts & Girl Guides.

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OPERATIONAL CONTEXT:

- Since the revolution in 2011, Libya has suffered from the effects of numerous periods of conflict and insecurity, resulting in a humanitarian crisis affecting all Libyans. The fighting has led to several hundred thousand people being internally displaced and Explosive Remnants of War (ERW) scattered across the country. Contamination by ERW presents a significant barrier to rebuilding Libya and for communities to recover. The coastal cities of Tripoli, Sirte and Benghazi have been particularly heavily contaminated.
- As of 2022, the situation in Libya remains tense with frequent eruptions of violence. The country again has two competing governments and no roadmap to hold elections in the near future.

WHAT WE DO:



Capacity building of local actors: DCA Libya **capacity builds and empowers national partner CSOs** through mentoring, training and sub-granting. In 2022, DCA has partnered with a national mine action organisation, supporting them to become a fully accredited humanitarian mine action actor.



Clearance of ERW: Surveying and clearing land, infrastructure and residential areas of ERW is essential for communities to rebuild and recover from the periods of conflict. DCA's activities help to ensure **safe access to basic services and needs** including jobs, schools, hospitals, land and housing.



Explosive Ordnance Risk Education (EORE): DCA Libya and our partners **educate communities about the risk of ERW**. EORE helps to prevent injuries and fatalities by providing knowledge and capacity to adopt safer behaviours in contaminated areas. IDPs, returnees, migrants and children are particularly vulnerable and as such are our main target groups.



Psychosocial support: Psychosocial support (PSS) is provided to communities with a particular focus on children and young adults. Overcoming mental barriers is essential to leading dignified and safe lives. Activities are implemented by DCA's local partner organisations.



Quick impact projects (QIPs): Where possible and meaningful, DCA Libya conducts QIPs. During the pandemic, **WASH items** were delivered to particularly vulnerable communities.

HOW AND WHERE WE WORK:

- With a widespread portfolio of projects across the main coastal cities, DCA Libya operates from offices located in **Tripoli, Misrata, Sirte and Benghazi**.
- DCA Libya works in **areas affected by conflict and suffering from high levels of ERW contamination**. Surveying and clearing residential, commercial, educational, medical and agricultural sites ensures safe access to essential services and enables redevelopment and a return to socioeconomic use. By releasing sites from contamination, DCA Libya contributes to the **rebuilding of a secure and stable country**. EORE and PSS activities contribute to people's **physical and psychological wellbeing**.
- DCA Libya strives to be on the forefront of **climate change adaptation**. The programme aspires to become a role model for greening mine action operations across the mine action sector in Libya.
- The programme is **challenging gender norms** and pushing boundaries in Libya by **employing all-female EORE teams and one all-female Humanitarian Mine Action team. These women serve as role models in their communities** and show gender-equality in action to the Libyan mine action sector and beyond.
- DCA Libya is registered with the **Libyan Civil Society Commission** and registered and accredited by the **Libyan Mine Action Centre**. The programme has close ties with relevant ministries and local authorities. We work with vulnerable communities and with duty bearers to support a safer and more secure Libya.

RESULTS FROM 2021:

- Over **120,791 men, women and children** in Libya have directly benefitted from DCA's Explosive Ordnance Risk Education and ERW Clearance.
- DCA Libya **removed 4,349 items of Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) and 29,946 items of small arms ammunition (SAA)**.
- **609,502 SQM of land** contaminated with UXO was searched and/or cleared by clearance teams.
- **1,145 Risk Education sessions** to promote safe behaviour reaching 25,809 men, women and children were held.
- **17.5 tons of unexploded ordnance was destroyed** by DCA teams in 2021.



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