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## OPERATIONAL CONTEXT:

Since the full-scale invasion of Ukraine in February 2022 by Russia, millions of Ukrainians have been impacted by the war:



12.7 million people need **humanitarian assistance** in 2025.



3.7 million people are **internally displaced** (IDPs) as of February 2025.



6.9 million **people have fled Ukraine** as of April 2025.



30 percent of Ukraine is **at risk of contamination with landmines and unexploded ordnance**.



10 million people have **signs of mental health issues** due to war.



More than 2.5 million **homes across the country have been damaged or destroyed** during the war.

## WHAT WE DO:

- **Humanitarian Mine Action:** DCA-NCA's demining teams are conducting Manual Mine Clearance, Battle Area Clearance, Technical and Non-Technical Survey and Explosive Ordnance Risk Education. These activities enable safe return for displaced populations near frontlines and ensures the safety of the civil population.
- **Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH):** DCA-NCA does repairs and maintenance of damaged water systems, heating and gas pipes, and shelters as well as the provision of hygiene supplies. DCA-NCA is focused on preparing vulnerable populations for the freezing winter.
- **Protection:** DCA-NCA is offering counselling, group sessions, training of psychologists, and community-based initiatives, to survivors who are provided with a safe space to process their experiences, confront their pain, and rebuild their lives.
- **Community Led-Initiatives:** DCA-NCA provides group cash transfers to local, community-led initiatives to strengthen their capacity to implement effective local responses. This support empowers communities to take the lead in addressing their needs and priorities.
- **Livelihood support to boost the agricultural sector:** DCA-NCA is restoring the agricultural sector in Ukraine, vital to ensure better livelihood, food security, and development in de-occupied areas.
- **Localisation and Capacity building:** DCA-NCA is strengthening Ukrainian partner organisations in their role as civil society actors and their ability to implement larger humanitarian responses independently.

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## FACTS:

- DCA has been operating in Ukraine since 2022.
- **Beneficiaries:** In 2024, DCA-NCA and partners reached 389,329 people in Ukraine.
- **Annual Turnover:** 120 million DKK
- **Projects:** 10 projects
- **Employees:** 180
- **Partners:** DCA-NCA works with seven partners in Ukraine, and has supported over 150 community groups, local initiatives and Ukrainian NGO's.

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## HOW AND WHERE WE WORK:

In 2024, DCA and NCA launched a three-year joint country programme. This comprehensive initiative includes winter assistance, legal aid, livelihood, water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH), infrastructure reconstruction, community cash grants, extensive mine action, and protection efforts.

### REGIONAL EFFORTS

**Mykolaiv and Kherson Oblasts:** In 2023, DCA-NCA opened an office in Mykolaiv and established a mine action training centre to bolster humanitarian mine action in Mykolaiv and Kherson oblasts. Various projects are being implemented in Mykolaiv and Kherson, ranging from humanitarian mine action and protection to WASH and cash support for local initiatives. A key component is repairing damaged critical infrastructure and, through our mine action efforts, ensuring the safety of residents. Our humanitarian mine action efforts prioritize clearing agricultural land to enhance food security in Ukraine, ensuring safer cultivation and increased food production. This restores livelihoods and stabilizes local economies dependent on agriculture.

**Eastern and Northern Ukraine:** DCA-NCA supports local initiatives and protection activities. These include safe spaces for survivors of gender-based violence, psychosocial support groups, individual psychological counselling, and aid for Ukrainian organisations assisting vulnerable populations, among which are veterans, women, girls, people with disability, elderly and people in the LGBTQI+ community.

### NATIONWIDE SUPPORT

Across Ukraine, DCA-NCA provides support to local initiatives, NGOs, and community groups. This includes cash assistance and capacity-building efforts to strengthen local actors and ensure they are able lead the humanitarian response.

### FUTURE PRIORITIES

**Private Sector Engagement:** Enhance links between private sector and humanitarian efforts, with a focus on expanding livelihood options in agriculture.

**Localisation Efforts:** Continue prioritising localisation to ensure local actors are at the forefront of humanitarian responses.

**Protection:** Maintain funding to address the increasing protection and mental health needs.

**Innovative Cash Modalities:** Explore innovative uses of cash support as a strategic supplement to existing efforts across sectors, such as mine action, protection, and livelihoods.

**Infrastructure Reconstruction and WASH:** Scale up infrastructure and WASH interventions crucial for recovery and the safe return of people to their homes.

Through these efforts, DCA-NCA aims to provide comprehensive support to communities in Ukraine, ensuring immediate relief and long-term recovery.



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