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FACTS:

- DCA has operated in Libya since 2011.
- DCA is currently implementing under the United States Department of State

 Office of Weapons Removal and Abtement (PM/WRA), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands (MinBuza), and Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Danida).
- DCA implements activities in Tripoli, Derna, and Sabha.
- Employees: 24

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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.

HOW AND WHERE WE WORK:

- With a widespread portfolio across Libya, DCA Libya is currently active in Tripoli, Sabha, and Derna.
- DCA Libya is registered with and accredited by Libyan Mine Action Centre (LibMAC). The programme has close ties with
 relevant ministries and local authorities. DCA Libya works with vulnerable communities and duty bearer to support a safer
 and more secure Libya.
- DCA Libya works in areas affected by conflict and suffering from high levels of ERW (Explosive Remnants of War)
 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 (Explosive Ordnance Risk
 Education) and PSS (Psychosocial Support) activities contribute to people's physical and psychological wellbeing.
- 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 strives to be on the forefront of climate change mitigation. The programme aspires to become a role model for
 greening mine action operations and supporting schools, medical facilities, and local organisations to embrace renewable
 energy.
- In response to Storm Daniel on 10th September 2023, DCA Libya has delivered NFIs (Non-Food Items), food boxes and WASH supplies and provided PSS through local partners in Derna, Eastern Libya. This was crucial in addressing the immediate needs of affected communities and supporting their recovery process.

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WHAT WE DO:



Capacity building of local actors: Since 2022, DCA has partnered with a national mine action organisation, Al Thiqa Al Amina (TAD) supporting them to become a fully accredited HMA actor in Libya.



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 safer access to livelihoods, infrastructure, and basic services including 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 (PSS): Overcoming mental barriers is essential for dignified, safe lives. DCA Libya's PSS activities focus on children and young adults. Activities are implemented by DCA's local partners.



Climate Change Mitigation: DCA Libya has provided solar powered renewable energy systems to schools, medical facilities, and local NGOs across Libya to ensure their services can continue without disruptions during frequent power outages. DCA Libya also adopts green practices in their HMA operations.



Emergency Response and Quick Impact Projects (QIPS): Following Storm Daniel from September 2023 until June 2024, DCA Libya delivered medical supplies, search equipment, body bags, hygiene and shelter NFIs, food boxes, and school bags in Eastern Libya. Where possible and meaningful, DCA conducts QIPs.



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