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## QUARTERLY PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT QUARTER 1- 2014

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**Implementing Partner:** UXO Lao

**Period Covered:** 01 January 2014 – 31 March 2014

### 1. Overall Analysis of Project Performance

In Quarter 1 (Q1) of 2014, the project is overall on track with achieving its annual targets in clearance, survey, roving and MRE activities. (Please see Annex I on page 13 for detailed provincial work plan achievements to date) Between January and March 2014, UXO Lao was able to successfully release **1,174 hectares of land** through area clearance and technical survey activities. (75% of the total land cleared is agricultural land). As a result of this clearance of land, communities are able to safely cultivate land, which affects income generation and food security. A total of **71,266 beneficiaries** benefitted from the clearance/release of UXO affected land during this period in nine of the most affected provinces in Lao PDR. Although addressing the UXO issue alone does not directly guarantee increases in income or food security, better accessibility to services, or improved literacy rates, UXO action often is a prerequisite and an important “multiplier” for improvements in overall rural development.

**UXO Lao destroyed 16,205 items of UXO** of which 44% were sub-munitions or bombies, through clearance, technical survey and roving tasks.

The removal or destruction of UXO increases the safety of people living in UXO impacted communities and increases the amount of safe land available for food production and other socio-economic development activities.

Work in the UXO sector entails more than simply removing UXO from the ground. It includes actions ranging from teaching people how to protect themselves from danger in a UXO-affected environment to advocating for a world free from cluster munitions.

During the reporting period, UXO Lao conducted more than **176 risk education visits** in nine provinces to broaden awareness of safety in a contaminated environment. Activities to convey the messages include puppet shows, songs, dances, and games that are adapted for specific age groups. During such activities, villagers are also encouraged to identify the location of UXO they may have found in the surrounding areas. UXO Lao's community awareness activities reached **50,687 people** (including 23% boys, 24% girls, 25% men and 27% women).

### **Measuring the impact of UXO clearance on the lives of people**

UXO Lao has further made progress on tackling the challenge of how to improve its data collection in order to better measure the impact of UXO clearance on the lives of people. Currently the data collected by UXO Lao focuses on hectares cleared, UXO removed/destroyed, survey tasks conducted and risk education visits made to the villages. While this data is valuable information, it does not adequately provide further information in terms of the impact of UXO clearance on the livelihoods of people.

In this regard UXO Lao started cooperating with the Laos-Australia Rural Livelihood Program (LARLP) at the beginning of 2014 with the aim to conduct an assessment of its internal Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) system and find ways to better track the impact and outcomes of UXO clearance on the livelihoods of people and poverty reduction. In Q1, UXO Lao conducted its first meeting with a M&E expert, sponsored by the Government of Australia, during which the outline of this project was discussed and a M&E mapping exercise was undertaken. UXO Lao started drafting a work plan for the assessment of UXO Lao's M&E System and it was agreed that an introductory course on M&E will be organized for UXO Lao staff during the first week of July after which the plan for the M&E assessment would be finalized. UXO Lao further expressed interest to LARLP in undertaking a case study on the impact of UXO clearance on the livelihoods of people in Sekong province. Further details in regards to this pilot project will be discussed during the first week of June 2014.

### **Improved Work Planning and Monitoring**

In Q1, the Programme Unit was assigned to coordinate and organize quarterly unit chief meetings, with the aim to monitor the progress of the annual work plan and to improve communication between the units. The first meeting of this kind took place in March 2014. The meeting gave the units a chance to get a better overview of the work of each unit and to discuss cross unit activities. It further allowed senior management to assess the progress of each unit and to be able to better monitor UXO Lao's work progress and take action where needed. Broad management issues and a financial update was provided to staff in order to give UXO Lao staff a better understanding of the current status within UXO Lao and increase transparency of issues relevant to the organization.

### Delayed procurement due to financial liquidity problems

UXO Lao was able to fully implement its operational activities on target in Q1, but has faced delays in procurement due to delays of funding coming through from both Bilateral as well as UNDP donors. In the first quarterly unit meeting, the units, together with senior management, discussed the procurement needs for each unit and it was decided, due to limited funding, that the first round of procurement will focus on explosives, field uniforms as well as tires that are urgently needed for the vehicles to be able to properly operate during rainy season. Furthermore it was discussed to undertake an assessment of all UXO Lao operational equipment and vehicles in order to be able to better assess additional procurement needs for UXO Lao. A consultant is expected to be contracted by UNDP at the end of June 2014 to undertake this exercise. As a result, it is expected that the annual procurement plan will be updated by the end of July.

### Project Risks and Issues<sup>1</sup>

<i>Status of Risks and Risk Management Strategies and other challenges</i>	<i>Counter Measurements</i>	<i>Update</i>
Lack of financial sustainability/ high dependency of NRA/UXO Lao on donors' contributions	Increased GoL contribution to the UXO sector, as well as continued donor funding to support expanded activities over time. Prefer multi-year contributions.	The GoL is currently funding the office rent for UXO Lao and discussions on increased government contributions are expected to continue.  In Q1, UXO Lao faced delays in procurement due to delayed donor funds that are still expected to come through. (Both bilateral and UNDP) It is expected that UXO Lao will not be able to start procurement until July 2014. While the overall funding situation for 2014 looks positive once planned installments are received, UXO Lao to date faces challenges to fully fund its operations for the years 2015 and beyond.
Technical complexity of sector inhibits NRA and UXO Lao effectiveness	Capacity self-assessments and capacity building measures to be undertaken by UXO Lao with UNDP support, then capacity development plans undertaken	UXO Lao, with support from UNDP, will conduct an institutional capacity assessment of UXO Lao in Q2 of 2014.

<sup>1</sup>Update on UXO Lao related Project Risks as identified in the Project Document 2012-2015

	Stay up to date with technical and non-technical developments in the sector	In terms of the clearance capacity, UXO Lao is currently working with the National Regulatory Authority and the broader sector to develop “evidence-based” approach to survey which aims to make targeting of clearance teams more effective. Trials were undertaken in Champasack province by UXO Lao to continue the development of a more efficient technical survey capacity.
Changes in governance arrangements or key personnel in NRA or UXO Lao.	GoL will ensure a smooth transition to any such developments and UNDP will facilitate open dialogue to address any concerns of project partners	<p>In 2013, in order to achieve great coherence in the governance of the UXO sector, UXO Lao moved from the Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare to the Leading Committee for Poverty Eradication and Rural Development reporting to the Minister of the Prime Minister’s Office who is also the chairman of the NRA board. Through the move to the Committee for Poverty Eradication and Rural Development, the Government of Lao PDR aims to further link UXO clearance with Poverty Eradication and Rural Development. The Government of Lao PDR has been committed to ensuring a smooth transition.</p> <p>Furthermore, UXO Lao’s former director retired in June 2013 and has since then be replaced by a new UXO Lao Director, Mr. Thiphasone Soukhathammavong. Mr. Soukhathammavong comes with a vast experience of working within the National Committee for Rural Development and Poverty Eradication and aims to further strengthen the linkage between UXO clearance and rural development and poverty eradication.</p>

*Challenges and risks will be updated and reviewed on a regular basis by the project.*

## 2. Project Performance

**OUTPUT 1: UXO Lao is better able to manage clearance and risk education programmes for the needs of communities at risk**

**Activity 1: Release priority land in accordance with Lao National Standards and the *Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM)* in nine or more provinces for safe access to contaminated land for socio-economic and humanitarian purposes and reduce the risk of UXO related accidents through risk education programs**

### Clearance overview:

In Q1, 1,174 hectares of land were cleared/released through area clearance and technical survey reaching 71,266 beneficiaries across nine provinces in Lao PDR. 16,205 items of UXO were destroyed through clearance, technical survey and roving tasks of which 7,134 were sub-munitions or bombs. The methodology used for prioritizing land for clearance is in accordance with the national Safe Path Forward II strategy endorsed by the Government of Lao PDR in July 2012.

889 hectares (76%) of the total land cleared is agricultural land. The project reports no interruptions of clearance activities due to weather conditions in Q1. The nine provinces are performing on target (22% of the work plan or higher per quarter) with only Attapeu and Sekong operating slightly under target (Sekong cleared 19% of the targeted annual area in Q1 and Attapeu cleared 20% of the targeted annual area in Q1) due to a variation in operational processes and reporting difficulties. It is expected that by the end of Q2, all nine provinces will be able to meet its set targets. (See *UXO Lao provincial work plan progress in Annex I on page 14/15* for further details)

### Roving Tasks:

437 roving tasks were conducted in 361 villages and 5,464 items of UXO were removed and destroyed. The project reports that 28% of the overall roving task targets set in the 2014 work plan has been achieved thus far. The aim of roving teams is to remove or destroy surface UXO items reported by villagers or by UXO Lao survey team members. Through the removal or destruction of UXO, land is made safe for people to walk on and use for productive purposes, as well as improving and providing equitable access to land, markets, and socio-economic services

### General Survey Task:

703 survey tasks were conducted in 549 villages, mapping out 4,785 items of UXO. Survey teams collect data which is then shared with the NRA and entered into the national UXO database. Data collected includes location of UXO found, areas requested to be cleared, as well as cleared or released land. Data is also used to generate detailed maps for use by UXO clearance teams and for use by government and other development authorities. UXO data is available for policy and development planning. Additional data fields are identified and collected as well such as information on the accessibilities of roads, whether the roads are safe to drive on, and whether the communication network is ok, etc.

**Community Awareness:**

Content of Community Awareness activities are decided at the national level and agreed upon by all operators conducting such activities. Activities to convey the messages include puppet shows, songs, dances, and games that are adapted for specific age groups. During such activities, villagers are also encouraged to identify the location of UXO they may have found in the surrounding areas. The CA teams conducted 176 CA activities reaching 50,687 people (23% boys, 24 % girls, 25% men and 28% women). The project continues to attract active community volunteers for community awareness activities. UXO currently engages 372 CA village volunteers including 82 males and 290 females who raise awareness on the risk of UXO within their communities.

**Support to development agencies**

UXO Lao's activities contribute not only to saving the lives of people living in areas of UXO contamination, but also to increasing socio-economic opportunities in some of the poorest districts. Besides areas cleared for agricultural land, UXO Lao also contributed to the Lao Government's development projects, as well as those of other international organizations and non-governmental organizations (NGO) to allow infrastructure development to happen.

Out of 892 hectares of land cleared by UXO Lao, 113 hectares of land were cleared in direct support to development agencies' projects in Lao PDR including the Poverty Reduction Fund (PRF), the Mennonite Central Committee (MCC), the ARDA Laos Skills Development Centre, the Laos-Australia Rural Livelihood Programme, World Vision, JICA, the National Committee for Rural Development and Poverty Eradication (NCRDPE), the International Fund for Agriculture and Development (IFAD), the Rural Development Project (RDP), and CARE International with 24,469 people benefiting from the clearance conducted by UXO Lao. In Q1, these projects supported the construction of school and sanitation buildings, roads, water supply systems, the development of a new village market, as well as coffee plantations and rice paddies. UXO Lao has cleared land at no cost to these development projects and thus also contributes to further socioeconomic development in the country. UXO Lao does not clear land for commercial investors or for investment purposes.

**Activity 2: Assess, strengthen and improve UXO Lao programme management capacity through provision of training and advisory services and mobilize sufficient resources for UXO Lao to enable Lao PDR to move towards meeting MDG9 targets and CCM obligations**

This section aims to report on notable progress, events and trainings of UXO Lao staff in their staff capacities or of the organization as a whole. It does not aim at listing each and every activity of UXO Lao's work, but rather highlights events and improvements that are notable and that the projects believes will have an impact on its institutional capacity building.

**Capacity Assessment UXO Lao update**

In Q1, UNDP completed the recruitment of the Capacity Assessment Consultant. The capacity assessment is scheduled to take place in May/June 2014.

#### **Data system update IMSMA**

In Q1, UXO Lao worked together with the Geneva International Center for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD) in order to update its current IMSMA version 5.04 to the IMSMA version 6. The current IMSMA database is outdated and not able to properly communicate with the national IMSMA database at the NRA which is currently causing some significant challenges in coordinating and recording tasks completed. While all tasks are recorded, it is not yet possible to get a clear, consolidated view of the national situation. At the end of 2013, the GICHD gathered the complete data set from UXO Lao data base unit in order to modify and upgrade IMSMA systems. GICHD have proposed the final upgrade to take place at the end of June 2014, followed by detailed training in Q4, 2014.

#### **Technical Survey and Confirmed Hazardous Area (CHA) Training**

In Q1, a training course on Technical and non-Technical Survey was conducted in Saravane province from 17 to 21 March 2014 with 24 participants from Savannakhet, Saravane, Champasack, Sekong, Attapeu as well as the National Office. The aim of the training was to introduce Survey methodology to UXO Lao staff in terms of how to establish CHA's, undertake effective data gathering and reporting processes.

#### **Quality Management update**

Over the past two years the QM Unit was able to see significant improvements in the performance of field operations (measured in number of failed assessments or number of critical observations), much of which was directly attributable to the work of the mobile QM teams. At the same time, headquarters commissioned QM inspections have started to become an integral part of UXO Lao field operations and thus part of organizational culture.

The inspection capacity needs to be constantly reviewed to ensure that operational requirements are met at all times. QM must have a focus on areas that undergo change, as changes increase the likelihood of quality and conformity issues to occur. Some of the challenges ahead may include increases of clearance and technical survey teams, changes in technical survey methodologies, new detection equipment, etc.

Currently, UXO Lao field operations are inspected by three mobile QM teams, each team covering three provinces. Each province receives at least four QM inspection visits per year, each visit taking up 10 to 15 inspection days. This allows for about 400 individual QA/QC assessments to take place per year. Inspection follow-up is coordinated by provincial quality representatives. The QM unit is on track with achieving its targets set for 2014.

From January to March 2014 the QM unit was able to complete the following activities and is operating on track with the annual work plan:

- Internal Audit: office Inspections were completed for UXO Lao's nine provincial offices, the National Office and the Training Centre.

- External Audit: the QM unit coordinated the annual NIM audit conducted by KPMG which took place in March/April 2014 and followed up on the 2012 issued audit recommendations. The 2013 audit recommendations are expected to be received in May/June 2014.
- Field Inspections: three QA/QC teams completed the first round of field inspections in 2014 in all nine provinces as follows:
  - Quality assurance of demolition (42 teams) and clearance work (56 Teams)
  - External QC inspection of cleared land (33 site inspected)
  - Assessment of Accident Response Practices (33 Teams)
  - Quality Control of external QC report
  - Quality Control of completion survey report on Clearance, Roving and Technical Survey
  - Quality Control of UXO demolition report

After every round of inspections, the three QM teams report to the QM unit and senior management at the National Office. Follow up actions are then agreed accordingly based on these recommendations. At the provincial level, the QM teams have a final briefing with the PC and/or DPC, as well as other relevant senior staff the actions concern (such as team leaders) in order to brief them on the findings of the inspections.

#### **Procurement**

UXO Lao was able to fully implement its operational activities on target in Q1, but has faced delays in procurement due to delays of funding coming through from both Bilateral as well as UNDP donors. In the first quarterly unit meeting, the units together with senior management discussed the procurement needs for each unit and it was decided, due to limited funding, that the first round of procurement will focus on explosives, field uniforms as well as tires that are urgently needed for the vehicles to be able to properly operate during rainy season. Furthermore it was discussed to undertake an assessment of all UXO Lao operational equipment and vehicles in order to be able to better assess additional procurement needs for UXO Lao. A consultant is expected to be contracted by UNDP at the end of June 2014 to undertake this exercise. As a result, it is expected that the annual procurement plan will be updated by the end of July 2014.

#### **Activity 3: Provide Training for Clearance Personnel according to National Standards**

A high standard of training is essential for the development and maintenance of the capacity to carry out safe, effective and efficient operational activities in Lao PDR. To ensure a high standard of training, the NRA has set training standards for key sector appointments and to specify requirements for the management and conduct of training.

UXO Lao maintains a training centre at Ban Y Lai in Vientiane where different training courses are conducted by UXO Lao instructors. Courses follow fixed curricula that are aligned with the NRA published National Standards. Internal validation of formal training courses is carried both during and upon completion of the course.

Internal validation includes:

- The regular assessment of instructors on their general instructor skills and methods of instruction. Assessments are done against an objective checklist and cover both theory and practical lessons.
- Trainee feedback sessions at the end of each formal training course to discuss the completed course and provide feedback on relevant topics. The feedback session are overseen by a staff member not involved with the management or conduct of the course.
- Visits to UXO/mine clearance operations by training staff

**Q1 Training courses:**

Between January and March 2014, four courses were organized at the UXO Lao Training Centre as follows:

Training Course	Total Graduates	Number of female graduates	Duration
Team Leader Refresher Course	25	5	21/1-14/2/2014
Medics Refresher Course	16	2	03/2-14/2/2014
Team Leader Refresher Course	24	10	10/3-21/3/2014
Medics Refresher Course	16	7	10/3-21/3/2014

**Planned Training courses in Q2:**

Training Course	Total Graduates	Number of female graduates	Duration
Medics Refresher Course	16	7	31/3-11/4/2014
EOD Team Leader Course	28	3	05/5-27/6/2014
First Aid Instructor Course (ICRC)	22	7	19/5-30/6/2014
Trauma Medics Course (ICRC)	22	7	02-13/6/2014

**Activity 4: Review and adopt improved technology where possible for effective and efficient operations (technological and methodological innovations and sector best practices)**

The implementation of training for technical and non-technical survey as mentioned previously is a potentially powerful tool for improvement of efficiency and effectiveness of UXO Lao. When this process is adopted throughout the organisation, it is expected that clearance operations will be more effective, far better directed and provide better value for money.

### 3. Update on Partnerships

#### Bilateral partnerships update

##### ➤ Government of Japan

- **Japan International Cooperation System (JICS):**

During Q1, UXO Lao and JICS entered started working on a proposal for a two year project to introduce mechanization to, and thereby increase the efficiency of, brush cutting works as part of UXO clearance operation while establishing a forward post that will become a Field Base for local clearance teams. Furthermore, through supporting the smooth operation of these elements in the model areas, the project seeks to accelerate UXO clearance operation in order to remove obstacles to development in the poverty stricken areas of Laos.

Through this, it is expected that UXO clearance and rural development will be organically linked and will contribute to the realization of overall goal of promoting poverty reduction. The project is planned to be implemented for a period of two years. The overall brush cutting project is expected to be funded in the amount of Yen 864,000,000 (approx. USD 8.4 million) which includes the heavy machinery equipment.

As part of this project, JICS plans to also fully fund UXO Lao operations in Sekong province for 1-2 years. Preparations for the drafting of the agreement for year 1, which will cover the period of June to December 2014, are underway and it is expected that the agreement in the amount of around USD 500,000 will be signed in June 2014. JICS have agreed to fully fund a project management team in UXO Lao to manage this project. These positions will be recruited in early June 2014. Training on the brush cutter machines is expected to take place in Cambodia in July/August 2014. The delivery of the brush cutting machines is expected for September 2014. JICS has also shown interest to support the construction of dormitories in Champasack, Saravane and Sekong province. Further details on the final signed agreement will be provided in the Q2 progress report once the agreement is finalized.

- **JMAS (Japan Mine Action Service)**

In 2014, JMAS continued its cooperation with UXO Lao in regards to the construction of a new UXO Lao training centre including new equipment. The project is currently working on drafting Standard Operating Procedures on bomb cutting operations as a result of the bomb cutting trials that were undertaken in late 2013 with the support of JMAS. Once the SOP are finalized, UXO Lao plans to submit them to the NRA for approval. Should the NRA approve the procedures, UXO Lao could start implementing this technique in the provinces where UXO Lao operates. No formal agreement for the construction of the training center or the bomb cutting project has been signed to date between JMAS and UXO Lao. However, discussions are ongoing and it is expected that an agreement will be signed by August 2014.

- **World Without Mines (WWM)**  
In 2014, WWM is continuing its support to UXO Lao in the amount of USD 220,000 to fund UXO Lao operations in Khammuane province.
- **USA/Sterling International Group (SIG)**  
In 2014, SIG will continue support to UXO Lao in the form of operational funding for Champasack and Savannakhet provinces as well as the provision of a Quality Management Technical Advisor in UXO Lao headquarters. SIG's MOU will come to an end at the end of March and will be renegotiated.
- **International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)**  
In Q1, UXO Lao worked together with ICRC on a proposal for a Trauma Medics Course sponsored by ICRC. The course is scheduled to take place in May/June 2014.

#### UNDP partnerships update

- **Government of Canada**  
UNDP and the Government of Canada entered an agreement in 2014 to fund UXO Lao operations in the amount of CAD 500,000. The funds have been fully spent in Q1 of 2014.
- **Government of New Zealand**  
UNDP together with UXO Lao have drafted a proposal for additional funding from the Government of New Zealand to continue to fund Xiengkhuang province for the period June 2014 – December 2015 in the amount of approx. USD 1.9 million. The agreement is expected to be signed in June 2014.
- **Government of Belgium**  
UNDP successfully negotiated a no-cost extension with the Government of Belgium to undertake a series of geophysical pilot projects that will establish the parameters of geophysical clearance in Lao PDR leading to the integrated use of geophysical survey in clearance operations. As anomalies are detected, UXO Lao roving teams could respond and carry out the necessary destruction or removal of UXO. The project is planned to be implemented between June and December 2014 with a total funding amount of Euro 100,000. (approx. USD 140,000)
- **SDC**  
UXO Lao and representatives of SDC had a meeting in March 2014 to discuss the need of improved reporting on the impact of UXO clearance on the lives of people in Lao PDR. The meeting was a good opportunity to have a dialogue with the donor about the current constraints of UXO Lao's monitoring system while reporting to them on the progress made to date in tackling this issue.

#### 4. Audit, audit recommendations and follow-up

UXO Lao coordinated the 2013 NIM Audit with KPMG in March/April 2014. UXO Lao will provide an update on the final recommendations once the final report is submitted for signature to UXO Lao in Q2.

Out of the 2012 Audit recommendations, just one issue remains unresolved to date, which is in regards to VAT payments. UXO Lao is waiting for guidance on MPI and UNDP on this issue.

#### 5. Priorities for Quarter 2 of 2014

In addition to conducting UXO Lao's regular clearance, roving, survey and MRE operations on target, UXO Lao's priorities for Q2 are as follows:

- **M&E system UXO Lao:**  
UXO Lao plans to continue its work with the Learning Facility of the Laos-Australia Rural Development Programme to improve UXO Lao's M&E system to be able to better report on the impact of UXO clearance and MRE on the lives of people. Training on M&E systems is scheduled to be provided to UXO Lao staff in June/July 2014.
- **ICRC sponsored Medics/Trauma Course**  
In Q2, ICRC plans to conduct one First Aid instructor course and one Medics Trauma Course for UXO Lao staff. Instructors sponsored by ICRC (from the UK and Thailand) are planning to conduct the course for a total of 44 UXO Lao participants.  
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- **Capacity Assessment UXO Lao**  
UXO Lao will undertake a capacity assessment with Technical Consultant in May/June of 2014. The capacity assessment is a tool for UXO Lao to review and assess its current capacity and develop concrete plans to improve its capacity to more effectively and efficiently fulfil its mandate. (This is an opportunity for UXO Lao to consider and present its visions for the future, including performance targets, and to develop a clear capacity develop strategy, plans and budget to achieve them.)
- **Geophysical Trials**  
It is planned to hold trials of geophysical equipment in the latter part of 2014, supported by the government of Belgium. These trials will be with the cooperation and support of the Mine Metals Group (MMG) and the GICHD. The CTA will join a global technology workshop in Q2 to coordinate and agree institutional arrangements for the trial, as well as to view and discuss possible technologies suitable for the Lao environment.
- **CMAC-UXO Lao workshop**  
In June 2014, UXO Lao and CMAC, through the support of JICA, are scheduled to organize the 5<sup>th</sup> meeting of the South-South Cooperation between Lao PDR and Cambodia as part of the knowledge sharing exercise. The topics of the meeting will be 1) Senior Middle Management and 2) Linking Land Mines/UXO Clearance to Development

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Number of hectares of land released/cleared through Area Clearance and Technical Survey <sup>*2</sup>					
Province	2014 Target	2014 Achieved		On Track/ Off Track	Comments
		Jan-Mar	Percentage (%)		
Luang Prabang	300	94	31%		
Huaphan	279	123	44%		The operations unit will review the target setting for this province
Xiengkhuang	550	193	35%		
Khammuane	316	105	33%		
Savannakhet	603	235	39%		
Saravane	482	143	30%		
Sekong	286	55	19%		Significant technical survey has been undertaken in Sekong, but using a "new" process. This land has been recorded in a separate category but is not cleared or released yet.
Champasack	378	168	44%		The operations unit will review the target setting for this province
Attapeu	296	58	20%		Some reporting difficulties have occurred in this quarter
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,490</b>	<b>1,174</b>	<b>34%</b>		

Number of Roving Tasks conducted					
Province	2014 Target	2014 Achieved		On Track/ Off Track	Comments
		Jan-Mar	Percentage (%)		
Luang Prabang	120	33	28%		
Huaphan	110	19	17%		Slightly off track, but it is expected that by the end of Q2 this activity will be on track
Xiengkhuang	404	102	25%		
Khammuane	120	45	38%		
Savannakhet	228	44	19%		Slightly off track, but it is expected that by the end of Q2 this activity will be on track
Saravane	190	69	36%		
Sekong	65	18	28%		
Champasack	185	73	39%		
Attapeu	115	34	30%		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,537</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>28%</b>		

<sup>2</sup> < 22% is considered off track

Annex I: UXO Lao Provincial Work Plan Update Quarter 1 2014

Number of General Survey Tasks conducted					
Province	2014 Target	2014 Achieved		On Track/ Off Track <sup>3</sup>	Comments
		Jan-Mar	Percentage (%)		
Luang Prabang	150	33	22%		
Huaphan	150	45	30%		
Xiengkhuang	440	139	32%		
Khammuane	120	51	43%		The operations unit will review the target setting for this province
Savannakhet	252	90	36%		
Saravane	250	91	36%		
Sekong	107	90	84%		The operations unit will review the target setting for this province
Champasack	205	135	66%		The operations unit will review the target setting for this province
Attapeu	115	29	25%		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,789</b>	<b>703</b>	<b>39%</b>		

Number of Community Awareness Activities conducted					
Province	2014 Target	2014 Achieved		On Track/ Off Track	Comments
		Jan-Mar	Percentage (%)		
Luang Prabang	80	19	24%		
Huaphan	65	15	23%		
Xiengkhuang	68	20	29%		
Khammuane	88	27	31%		
Savannakhet	58	15	26%		
Saravane	70	21	30%		
Sekong	75	23	31%		
Champasack	65	12	18%		Slightly off track, but it is expected that by the end of Q2 this activity will be on track
Attapeu	110	24	22%		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>26%</b>		

<sup>3</sup> < 22% is considered off track