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South/Central Asia

How have past conflicts affected the landscape of South/Central Asia? What contamination remains to be cleared? How are local populations affected? Do socio-cultural considerations have any impact on clearance efforts in the region? And what advice do organizations operating in South/Central Asia have for those seeking to work there?

Of particular interest are: Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan, and Turkmenistan.

FEATURE

Unmanned Aircraft Systems in Mine Action

Increasingly, the humanitarian mine action community leverages unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) for various uses within the field. How has drone technology impacted HMA activities such as battle area clearance, landmine detection, and survey? What sort of opportunities do UAS offer organizations and what kind of concerns do they raise? How can these devices ensure the successful release of land and what steps should we take to ensure this technology is implemented appropriately into HMA?

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