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*#TogetherAgainstMines: Staff in DRC Afghanistan's main office gather annually to commemorate International Mine Awareness Day on 4 April 2021.*

## **DRC Afghanistan Marks International Mine Awareness Day 2021**

**DRC Afghanistan held a series of events around Afghanistan to mark the International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action on 4 April 2021.**

On 8 December 2005, the United Nations declared that 4 April of each year shall be observed as the International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action.

This year, the themes of Perseverance, Partnership, and Progress were the focus of International Mine Action Day, to demonstrate how the international mine action community continued to deliver results and fulfil obligations despite the challenging year.

The Danish Refugee Council (DRC)/Danish Demining Group (DDG) have been implementing humanitarian mine action projects in Afghanistan since 1999 to work towards a mine-free Afghanistan. DRC Afghanistan has made significant accomplishments this year in promoting safe behaviour and raising awareness against the risks that explosive hazards present across the country.



On 4 April 2021, staff from **DRC Afghanistan's East Region** office in Afghanistan came together to show commitment to being **#TogetherAgainstMines**.



4 April 2021: **DRC Afghanistan's South Region** office conducted an orientation for staff on the threats of landmines and explosive ordnance (EO) and honoured the deminers who have lost their lives working for a mine-free Afghanistan over the last decades.





*DRC Afghanistan staff from the **West Region** office also gathered to commemorate International Mine Awareness Day on 4 April 2021.*