

# DDAS Accident Report

## Accident details

<b>Report date:</b> 04/03/2011	<b>Accident number:</b> 607
<b>Accident time:</b> 09:00	<b>Accident Date:</b> 03/12/2008
<b>Where it occurred:</b> AF/0809/00954/MF005 2, Kohna Deh Village, Kuz Kunar, District, Nangarhar Province	<b>Country:</b> Afghanistan
<b>Primary cause:</b> Inadequate training (?)	<b>Secondary cause:</b> Field control inadequacy (?)
<b>Class:</b> Excavation accident	<b>Date of main report:</b>
<b>ID original source:</b> DA50	<b>Name of source:</b> UNMACCA
<b>Organisation:</b> [Name removed]	
<b>Mine/device:</b> PMN AP blast	<b>Ground condition:</b> not recorded
<b>Date record created:</b>	<b>Date last modified:</b> 04/03/2011
<b>No of victims:</b> 1	<b>No of documents:</b> 1

## Map details

<b>Longitude:</b>	<b>Latitude:</b>
<b>Alt. coord. system:</b> Not recorded	<b>Coordinates fixed by:</b>
<b>Map east:</b>	<b>Map north:</b>
<b>Map scale:</b>	<b>Map series:</b>
<b>Map edition:</b>	<b>Map sheet:</b>
<b>Map name:</b>	

## Accident Notes

inadequate investigation (?)  
squatting/kneeling to excavate (?)  
Inadequate detector pinpointing  
inadequate training (?)  
non injurious accident (?)

## Accident report

The only report of this accident that has been made available to date was in a UNMACCA EXCEL spreadsheet. Text in square brackets [ ] is editorial. This record will be revised if more information is made available.

The EXCEL summary is reproduced below, edited for anonymity.

S. # 50, No.# Accident: DA50

Demining group: [Name removed]

Date of Accident: 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2008 09:00 AM

IMSMA ID: 378

Accident/Incident: Demining accident

Name: [The Victim]

Type of Casualty: Injured

Type of injury: He remained safe, without any injuries to his body. He only got some dust in his eyes.

Title: Deminer

Team No: DT-18

Task No: AF/0809/00954/MF0052

Activity of Victim during accident: Excavating

Type Device: PMN

Equipment Damaged: [None]

Village District Province: Kohna Deh Village, Kuz Kunar, District, Nangarhar Province

Investigation Completed Y/N: Y

Action Taken by NGOs (Y/N): Y

BOI Conclusions:

The investigation team concluded that the contributing factors to this accident were Carelessness of deminer in terms of started excavation direct from the top of detected signal and poor command and control. As the command group failed to stop him from wrong drills and also he was not provided with proper information regarding the task.

## Victim Report

<b>Victim number:</b> 790	<b>Name:</b> [Name removed]
<b>Age:</b>	<b>Gender:</b> Male
<b>Status:</b> deminer	<b>Fit for work:</b> yes
<b>Compensation:</b> Not made available	<b>Time to hospital:</b> Not made available
<b>Protection issued:</b> Not recorded	<b>Protection used:</b> Not recorded

### Summary of injuries:

INJURIES: minor Eyes

COMMENT: No Medical report was made available.

## **Analysis**

The primary cause of this accident is listed as *Inadequate training* because it seems that the Victim started excavating on top of the mine. He may not have known how to pinpoint the detector reading appropriately, or may not have been instructed in safe excavation techniques. The secondary cause is listed as a *Field Control Inadequacy* because the investigators found that the field supervisors did not give appropriate information about the task site and did not correct his errors.

The “Inadequate investigation” listed under notes refers to the absence of a full accident report. The UN supported MACCA has failed to make these widely available for some years in contravention of the requirements of the IMAS. The failure of the UN to share the Afghan investigators’ work with others is regrettable.