



**UNHCR Sub-Office MAZAR-i-SHARIF
DISTRICT PROFILE**

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PROVINCE	Name: Faryab		Geo-Code: 18		
DISTRICT	Name: Almar		Geo-Code: 1803		
Population in 1990:	Settled:47,427				
CURRENT ESTIMATED POPULATION					
Total	Returned IDPs	Recent Returnees	IDPs	Children Under 12	Female Households
116,000	2,200	3,500	3,000 f		
ETHNIC COMPOSITION: Pashtun Hazara 10%Tajik Uzbek 60%Turkman other:					
EXPECTED RETURNING POPULATION 2002					
IDPS:		1,200 families	RETURNEES:		500 families
AUTHORITY					
Head of District:	Eng. Amanullah Baktash (Uzbek -Jumbesh party member)				
Other Information:					
GENERAL SITUATION					
About 5% of the population have guns.					

SECTORAL INFORMATION		
SHELTER:	Percentage and Number of Houses Destroyed:	Approximately 50%.
	Housing Situation of Returning Population :	Urgent need of shelters.
	Comments: Returnees' houses are destroyed and there is an urgent need of shelters.	
WATER:	Type of Potable Water Sources (and distance):	Stream water, rainwater and pool water.
	Availability of Potable water (%):	60% available.
	Sanitation and Drainage:	Traditional system.
	Comments: The pool water is the most commonly used source. People need assistance to build deep and half-deep wells.	
AGRICULTURE:	Main crops:	Wheat, barley, melon and watermelon.
	Current Land Condition:	
	Existing Irrigation schemes:	95% rain fed and 5 % irrigated land
	Agri/tool Banks:	Traditional system (Oxen are used).
	Animal Husbandry	Sheep, cows and camels.
	Comments: Farmers need seeds, fertilisers and machines for ploughing the land.	

SECTORAL INFORMATION						
INCOME GENERATION:	Main Sources of Income:	Agriculture and animal husbandry.		% of No income in the district	95%	
	Comments: The vast majority of people do not have sources of income and request assistance, especially in the agriculture and animal husbandry sectors.					
HEALTH:	Health Centre:	Types	Currently functioning		Before 1998	
		No. of Clinic:	1		0	
		No. of Mobile Clinic:	0		0	
		No. of Hospital:	0		0	
	Nurses and Mid-wives	2 nurses		0		
Comments: There are just 2 doctors. And main diseases are cholera, TB and Typhus.						
EDUCATION:	Education Centre:	Types	Currently functioning		Before 1998	
		No. of High School:	0		0	
		No. of Primary School:	10		7	
		No. of Home Based Sch:	0		0	
	Teacher:	Female:	10	Pupils:	Girls:	520
		Male:	55		Boys:	300
	Literacy Rate %:	10%				
Comments: There is need for pupils' stationary, tables and chairs. School buildings are to be repaired.						
MINE/UXOs:	Existence of mines & UXOs:		Yes.			
	Identified priority villages to clear:		Maimana road and Almar area.			
	Comments: There is need for the mine clearance.					
PROTECTION						
Population Movement:	Economic migration of single men to Iran is a normal practice in the area and remittances can exceed 70USD per month					
Minority Issue:	Pashtuns living in the Abduli village expressed their concerns about security, in particular about the presence of weapons and sub-commanders, which have a clear impact on the stability of security. (Junbish and Jamiat supporters reportedly still have weapons in the village and disarmament is considered fundamental by the villagers to ensure security).					
Land Ownership:						
House Occupation:						

SECTORAL INFORMATION

Others:

In Abduli village there are reports of interference of local commanders and armed elements in the programmes of aid agencies, such as inclusion of their relatives or supporters in beneficiary lists, as well as reports of fraud and abuse in the allocation of cards for wheat distribution and selling of wheat from aid agencies in the market.

NGOs Working in the District

The following NGOs are working in the district:

MSF:Feeding Centre SCF in Abduli village for 300 persons on week and food distribution for children under 5.
ACTED.
FECO.
UNICEF.

Other Comments (including accessibility)

Name of Staff/Agency:

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