

## LEBANON 2<sup>nd</sup> Extension



## CCM 13 MSP SEPTEMBER-2025

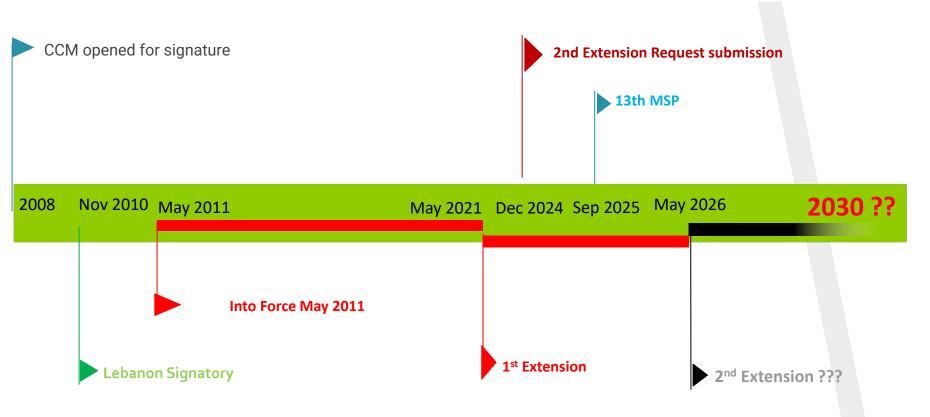
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Head of Operation

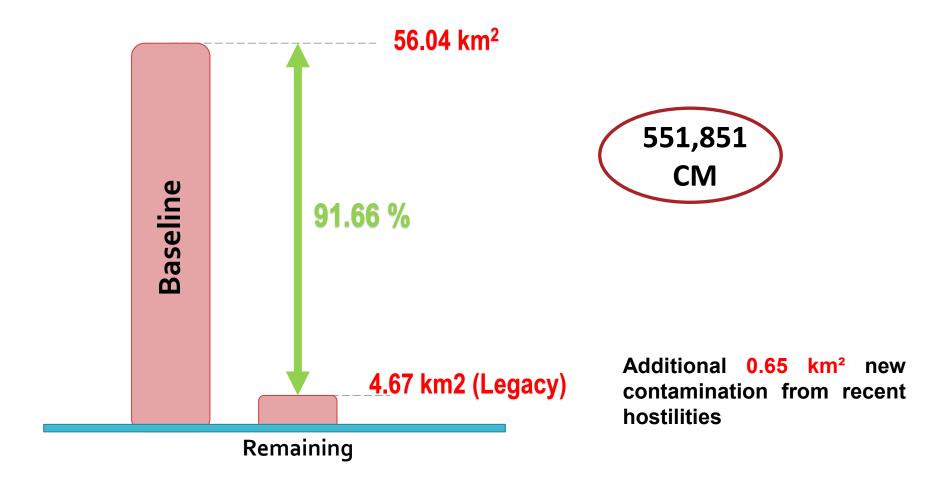
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## **Historical Background**





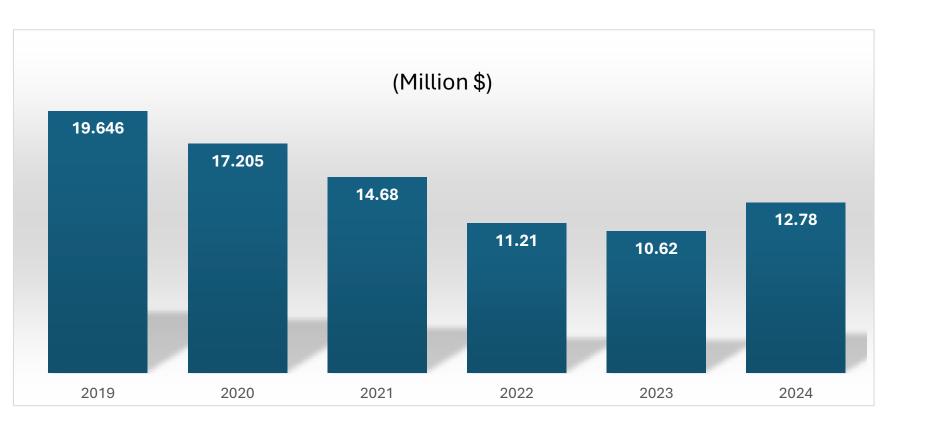
### **CONTAMINATION (END 2024)**



# Key challenges encountered During the First Extension Period

- COVID-19 Pandemic
- Lack of funding
- Lebanon's Economic Crisis.
- Difficult Terrain
- Unstable Situation after October 2023.

### **Decrease of fund**

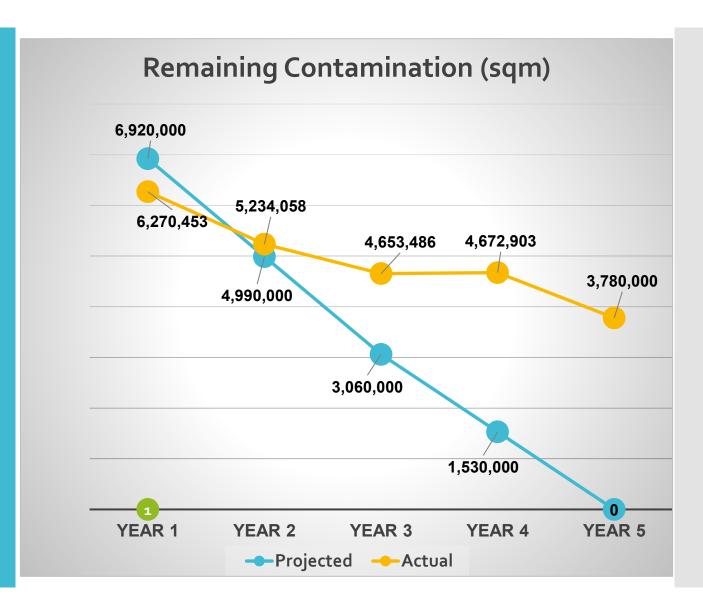


## CCM 1st Extension Plan

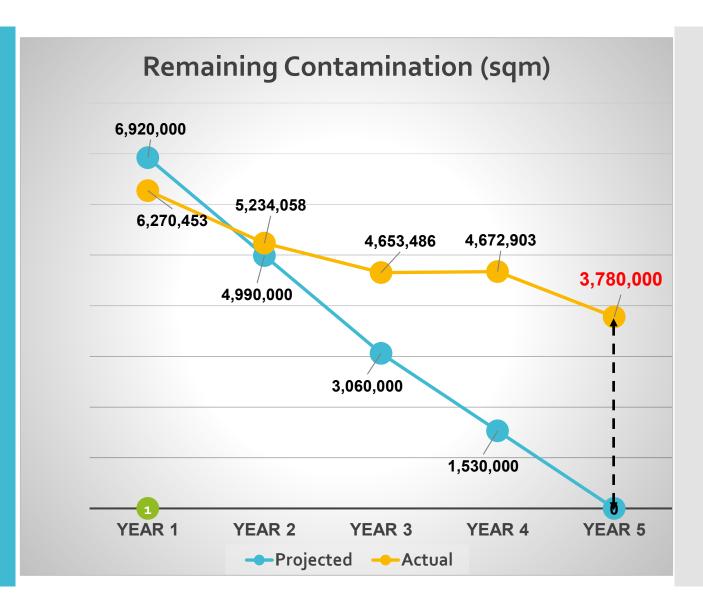
Budget Plan



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## Second Extension Request Process

- November 2024: Request submitted for a second extension from May 2026 to May 2030.
- **April 2025:** Lebanon submitted a detailed response to the initial set of questions from the Analysis Group.
- <u>May 2025:</u> The Analysis Group requested further clarifications and provided final observations.
- **<u>> June 2025:</u>** Lebanon submitted additional clarifications and information, incorporating the Group's latest observations.

# Plan for the second extension (4 years)

- Total Area to be Cleared: 3.78 million square meters (4.47 remaining 0.7 to be cleared till May 2026).
- Average Daily Team Productivity: 200 sqm / day.
- Working Days per Year: 210 days.
- Average Annual Productivity/Team: 200\*210= 42,000 sqm
- Number of teams needed: 3.78M / 42000= 90 teams
- Coast of 1team/year = 300.000 USD
- Difficult terrain coast: 1 Million USD

Assistance required for the second extension

Needs	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Amount
Human resources	25 teams	25 teams	20 teams	20 teams	90 teams
Existing LAF Teams	2	2	2	2	8
Teams needed	23	23	18	18	82
Operation		300.000/team	300.000/team	300.000/team	300.000/team
Support and admin costs	300.000/team				
Total required (\$)	6,900,000	6,900,000	5,400,000	5,400,000	24,600,000
Difficult Terrain (\$)	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	1,000,000
Total international assistance required (\$)	7,150,000	7,150,000	5,650,000	5,650,000	25,600,000

## Annual Clearance Plan

YEAR	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
duration	May 2026 - May 2027	May 2027 - May 2028	May 2028 - May 2029	May 2029 - May 2030
Number of teams needed	25	25	20	20
Needed Fund (M \$)	7.15	7.15	5.65	5.65
Estimated Released (KM²)	1.05	1.05	0.84	0.84
Cumulated Released (KM²)	1.05	2.1	2.94	3.78
Contamination Remaining (KM²)	2.73	1.68	0.84	0

# Emerging Challenges After the Recent War

- Shift of focus toward Non-Technical Survey (NTS)
- Urgent need for civilians to return to their homes
- Kicked out ammunition from weapon & munitions depots belonging to non-state groups, due to the bombing of those sites, rather than being used in the conventional sense. Increase the baseline by additional 0.65 km² Which requires immediate surface clearance.

 Ongoing survey of new contamination to be completed soon, to determine the extent and level of contamination.

### **Prompt Action**

- Accurate revision of the baseline.
- Comprehensive IMAS/NMAS-aligned land release approach, following a deliberate and careful approach to avoid any incidents.
- A detailed work plan with annual outputs, methodology, team deployment, and prioritization will be shared with States Parties.

### Next Steps: Land Release

- Implement clearance operations based on revised strategy.
- Ensure Lebanon remains aligned with CCM obligations and humanitarian goals.
- Article 7 reports will include:
- Progress in survey & clearance operations.
- Updated work plan (outputs, methods, priorities).
- Other relevant updates.

## Next Steps: Risk Education & Victim Assistance

- Explosive Ordnance Risk Education (EORE):
   intensified campaigns, especially targeting
   "the most at risk" to reduce casualties.
- Victim Assistance: ongoing/continuous support (medical, rehabilitation, psychosocial, economic, reintegration...).
- Thanks to all donors who contributed to this effective EORE and VA valuable projects (600,000 USD/Year), and Lebanon hopes the continuous support in this matter.

## Next Steps: Resource Mobilization

- Resource Mobilization Plan: partnerships, UN collaboration, donor outreach, community engagement.
- Lebanon will keep updating international partners on financial needs and contributions.
- The critical role of the Mine Action Forum (MAF)

#### Conclusion

- Lebanon thanks States Parties for their continued solidarity and support.
- · Lebanon will keep States Parties regularly informed of any significant new developments.
- Reaffirms its full commitment to completing Article 4 obligations despite economic and security challenges.
- With international assistance, Lebanon will meet its obligations and ensure safe return and livelihoods for affected communities
- Lebanon is looking forward for granting the extension until 1 May 2030.



## **Thank You**

**Lebanon Mine Action Center**