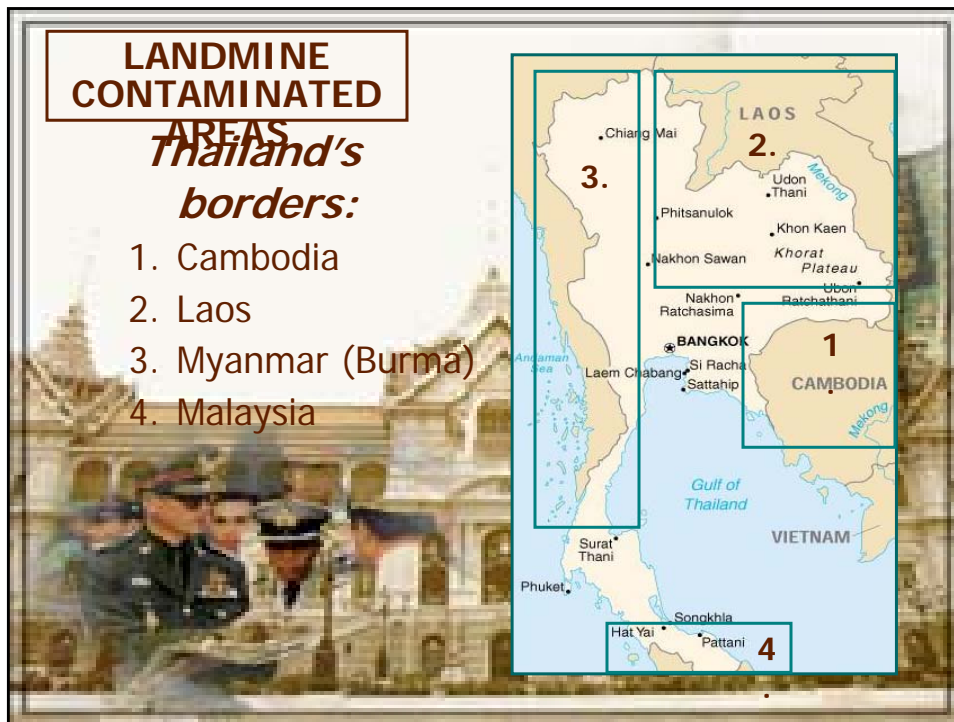


*Thailand's* humanitarian crisis -  
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## Victim Assistance

- A main principle of the Mine Ban Treaty signed in Ottawa in December 1997 is the principle of assisting landmine victims – medically, psycho-socially in order that they can lead productive lives.



## Landmines & UXO Victims

- Based on Level One Impact Survey of 2001
- 3,468 victims recorded
- ~170 new victims per year



## Typical profile of recent victim:

*Based on analysis of 346 victims:*

Predominately male aged 20-40

**Occupation prior to accident:**

Farmer or Laborer

**Activities at time of accident**

Most victims were collecting food & products in forested



## Only One Way to Solve the Problem

- Remove and destroy landmines
- Increase humanitarian and developmental **Mine Action**
- Create an environment in which people can live safely, in which economic, social and health development occur free from constraints imposed by landmines



## Mine Risk Education (MRE)

TMAC Humanitarian Mine Action Units  
Asian Disaster Preparedness Center (ADPC)  
Handicap International-Thailand  
Nonviolence International Southeast Asia



## Victim Assistance

Asia Pacific Development Center on Disability (APCD)  
Association of the Physically Handicapped of Thailand  
COERR

Foundation of Artificial Limbs at Phra Mongkut Klao  
Hospital

Gen. Chatchai Choonhavan Foundation (GCCF)

Jesuit Refugee Service Thailand (JRS)

Prostheses Foundation, under the royal patronage of  
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