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Landmine led to victimize 27 people in Kurdistan during 2019 + Names list

Hengaw: The explosion of unexploded landmines from 8 years Iran-Iraq war remains still victims in Kurdistan.

According to the registered statistics by statistics center of Hengaw Organization for Human Rights, during 2019, at least 27 citizens in borders areas of Kurdistan have been victimized as a result of unexploded landmines from 8 years Iran-Iraq war that shows an decreasing rate of 52 percent compared to the year of 2018.

Of the total number of 27 victimized people, 4 were killed and the other 23 people have been wounded or disabled.

One of them who has been killed and two of them who have been wounded due to explosion of landmines, were underage children.

Division of victims by province

During the last year, the largest number of landmines casualties has been registered in the border areas of Kurdistan province that are 10 cases which one of them has been killed.

Kurdistan province: 10 casualties including 1 killed and 9 wounded

Ilam province: 7 casualties including one killed and 6 wounded

West Azarbayejan province: 3 casualties including 3 wounded

Kermanshah province: 7 casualties including two killed and 5 wounded

Division of landmines victims by social class

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Most of the landmines victims in Kurdistan during the last year were from working class so as during the time 18 Kolbers, drivers, shepherds and workers have been victimized. Moreover 2 civilians and 7 soldiers were among the victims.

Although landmines have not considered as absolute prohibition in international customary law, but some restrictions have been laid down to minimize their impact. For example, the conflicting parts had to Keep the minefield maps or in the end, clear the battlefields to protect the civilians.

The Ottawa Convention has obliged governments to refrain from producing, stockpiling and transferring anti-personnel mines in this case, which unfortunately the Islamic republic of Iran has not been acceded to this convention in spite of having so many victims by landmines.

According to a research conducted by the Red Cross to develop customary rules governing humanitarian law, several restrictions were defined in the rules numbers of 81,82, and 83 in the case of landmines.

- Care must be taken when using in order to reduce human casualties
- The party using the mine must register the place of its placement
- At the end of active hostilities, the user party must facilitate its clearance

However, both the Iranian and Iraqi parties refrain from exercising their obligations under customary international law.

Row	Name	Killing place	Wounding place	Age	Residence	Description	Date
1	mahmoodzadeh		Mehran		Mehran	Military	13/1/2019
2	-		Dehloran	34	Dehloran	Shepherd	13/1/2019
2	Alireza Nadali	Ghasr Shirin			Esfhaan	Military	14.1.2019
4	Alireza Mashreghi	Ghasr Shirin			Mashhad	Military	14/1/2019
5	Hadid Babajani		Nowsud	19	Shaho	Kolbar	18/1/2019
6	Asad Zamani		Baneh		Baneh	Kolbar	27/1/2019
7	Khalegh		Baneh		Baneh	Kolbar	27/1/2019
8	Javad Karimi		Dehloran	28	Dehloran	Shepherd	2/2/2019
9	Ghafor Hamze		Piranshahr	47	Piranshahr	Kolbar	3/2/2019
10	Ramazan Shahi		Ghasr Shirin		Ghasr Shirin	Military	6/12/2019
11	Saide Chenani	Dasht Abas		15	Dehloran	Shepherd	2/3/2019
12	Karim Rasti		Marivan	55	Marivan	Kolbar	1/4/2019
13	Alireza Kamali		Saqiz		Mashhad	Military	1/4/2019
14	Abas Afradi		Saqiz		Ormyeh	Military	1/4/2019

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15	Jamal monsef		Dehloran		Mazandaran	Military	13/4/2019
16	Mohamad Imanvard		Marivan	50	Marivan	the farmer	16/4/2019
17	Shaho Sipahi	Baneh		22	Baneh	Kolbar	14/5/2019
18	Soran Sipahi		Baneh		Baneh	Kolbar	14/5/2019
19	Danyal Azizi		Sardasht	25	Rabat	Kolbar	7/6/2019
20	Yaqub Hajipoor		Ilam	49	Ilam	Military	15/7/2019
21	Sherko		Sardasht		Sardasht	Civil	6/8/2019
22	Adel Yagubi		Sarvabad	26	Sarvabad	Kolbar	30/9/2019
23	Salar pijoochi		Nowsud		Paveh	Kolbar	9/10/2019
24	Arastoo Nikbin		Saqiz	29	Saqiz	Shepherd	28/10/2019
25	Ashkan Fatahi		Nowsud	18	Nowsud	Kolbar	5/11/2019
26	Mehdi		Mehran	10	Mehran	Civil	18/11/2019
27	Osman Rostamzadeh		Paveh		Paveh	Kolbar	10/12/2019

