



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

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PROVINCE	Name: Baghlan	Geo-Code: 13
DISTRICT	Name: Khost-u-fring	Geo-Code: 1301
Population in 1990:		
CURRENT ESTIMATED POPULATION		
Total	Returned IDPs	Recent Returnees
198		198 Families
ETHNIC COMPOSITION: around 70 % Tajik 30% Hazara		
EXPECTED RETURNING POPULATION 2002		
IDPS	200-500 families	RETURNEES
AUTHORITY		
Head of District:	Haji Sangi Muhmmad, military and member of Jamiat Islami Party	
Other Information:	Also there are functioning court of first instance, police department with two stations, attorney office and the units of the Ministries of finance, property, education, Ushr and Zakat and agriculture. District Shura is also functioning.	
GENERAL SITUATION		
<p><u>Security:</u> Haji Abdul Wadud Tassadom is the head of police department. There is no road to go by car to Khost-e-fring district. This was one of the main reasons that Taliban couldn't capture it, so it is still under the control of Shora-e-Nezar (Jamiat faction) and the situation is calm.</p>		
SECTORAL INFORMATION		
SHELTER:	Percentage and Number of Houses Destroyed:	1% of houses are destroyed due to earthquake.
	Housing Situation of Returning Population:	None of the families have returned yet.
	Comments: Khost-u-fring is a district, which is not attacked a lot by the neighbouring districts but sometimes there was fighting between local commanders. The fighting didn't affected the houses but during the three years drought some of the people took refuge from the district and they have sold their windows, doors and wood beam at the time of leaving, they haven't still returned back.	
WATER:	Type of Potable Water Sources (and distance):	River, stream and spring The distance to water is not long, every family has access to water.
	Availability of Potable water (%):	30%
	Sanitation and Drainage:	Open spaces
	Comments: The weather in Khost-u-fring is cold during the winter, in some of the villages the water gets icy, therefore they can not have access to clean and potable water during the winter.	
AGRICULTURE:	Main crops:	Wheat, rice, Other production: corn, barley
	Current Land Condition:	70% irrigated, 20% rain fed
	Existing Irrigation schemes:	Canal, river and spring
	Agri/tool Banks:	Oxen

SECTORAL INFORMATION						
	Animal Husbandry		Sheep, goat, cow, donkey, horse and turkey			
	Comments: During the three years drought, most of the population became poor and they were not able to buy medicine for the animals and due to lack of veterinary facilities some kinds of diseases exist and affected animals.					
INCOME GENERATION:	Main Sources of Income:	Farming land and keeping animal Farming Land (50%) Animal husbandry (20%), gardening (20%) Shopkeepers (4%)	% of No income in the district	6% of the population are with no means of survival.		
	Comments: In the last three years, due to the drought some of the harvest and the level of the income has dropped specially in the rain fed areas.					
HEALTH:	Health Centre:	Types	Currently functioning	Before 1998		
		No. of Clinic:	1	1		
		No. of Mobile Clinic:	No	No		
		No. of Hospital:	No	No		
	Nurses and Mid-wives	8	6			
Comments: Since Khost-u-fring is a remote district Baghlan MOPH cannot support the branch of its hospital only UNICEF is supporting the clinic. The clinic cannot treat all the patients in most parts of the district; there fore some of the patients die due to the lack of doctors and medicine. Source: clinic staff						
EDUCATION:	Education Centre:	Types	Currently functioning	Before 1998		
		No. of High School:	3	3		
		No. of Primary School:	14	14		
		No. of Home Based Sch:	10	8		
	Teacher:	Female:	6	Pupils:	Girls:	1800
		Male:	180		Boys:	8000
	Literacy Rate %:	10%				
Comments: There is need to educational items and furniture for the students. Book are the initiative need of the schools. Source: Teacher of High School						
MINE/UXOs:	Existence of mines & UXOs:		No mines in the district			
	Identified priority villages to clear:					
	Comments: During the two decades war Khost-u-fring is the only district where there was not many fighting, because it is very far from the centre of the province and there is no road for the vehicle to go the district. Source: local residents					
PROTECTION						
Population Movement:	NA					
Minority Issue:	NA					
Land Ownership:	NA					
House Occupation:	NA					

SECTORAL INFORMATION

Others:

NGOs Working in the District

Concern and SCA

Other Comments (including accessibility)

There is no road to Khost-u-fring, the road need to be made. There is need for more clinics and medicine in the district. The schools need rehabilitation and furniture. Needs for provision of potable water during the winter is felt. Roads should be paved not only to the district but also to some of its villages.