IED Threat Mitigation in Peacekeeping
From Policy to Capacity – a Reality Check
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Since 2013

1257 incidents
797 killed
2143 injured

MINUSMA Peacekeepers

90 killed
586 injured
MINUSMA's comprehensive explosive threat mitigation framework and Mali-specific solutions have enhanced the safety and security of peacekeepers while effectively implementing its mandate in a complex IED threat environment.

MINUSMA has increased and maintained its ability to find and clear IEDs during convoys and patrols – almost half of IEDs are now detected and neutralized before they can explode – steadily contributing to the prevention of numerous IED-related fatalities among peacekeepers.
From Policy to Capacity - Lessons

IED threat mitigation is a critical enabler for mandate delivery
   (it works, it saves lives, it’s a starting point)

Capacity development or mission preparedness?
   (the first one is desired; the latter is critical)

Missions need institutionalized resource hubs for comprehensive IED threat mitigation
   (much more than ad hoc gap bridging)

   - strategic expertise linking policy and capacity
   - threat analysis and early warning
   - data collection and dissemination
   - pre-deployment and ongoing training and certification
   - provision and pool of expert equipment through complete life cycle
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