



Victim Assistance in Sudan

Joint Situational Assessment

Victim Assistance assessment team visiting women with disability at their homes in Kassala (Picture by UNMAS, 2021)

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National Mine Action Centre of Sudan (NMAC)
High Council of Persons with Disability (HCPD)

1. Victim Assistance in Mine Action

Victim Assistance is one of the pillars of mine action

Victim Assistance (VA) is a **state's obligation** to ensure that **victims and/or survivors of explosive hazard accidents** receive appropriate assistance. Sustainable VA interventions require both short and long-term solutions with the final aim to improve the quality of life of the affected people

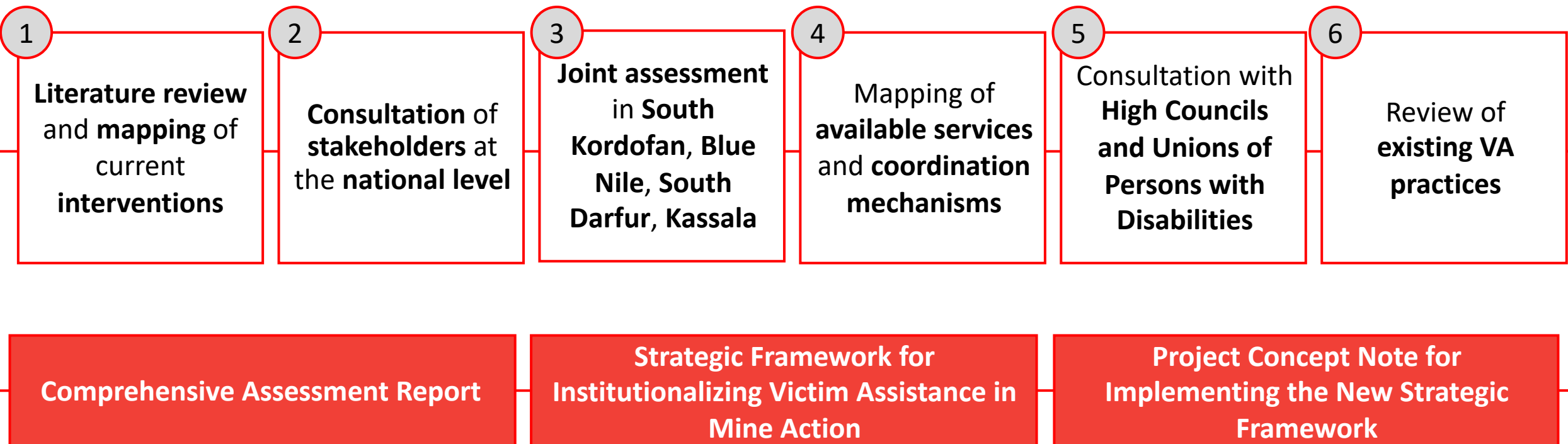
Victim Assistance Main Components

- Data and Information Management
- Emergency and continuing Medical Care
- Rehabilitation
- Psychosocial and Psychological support
- Socio-economic Inclusion
- Laws and Policies - Advocacy
 - Integration of a response to the needs of victims in the development of legal and policy frameworks.

Non-discrimination: VA intervention must be provided **on the basis of the needs and not on the cause of disability**

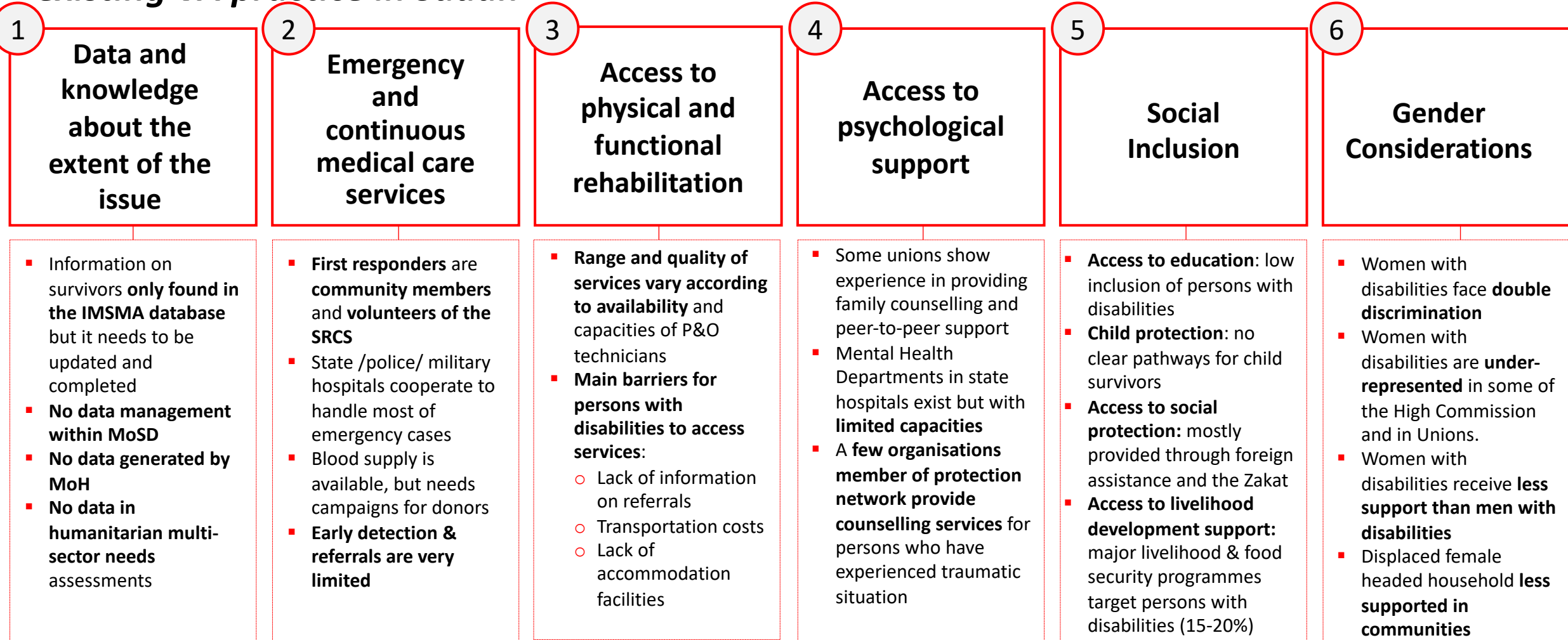
2. Assessment Methodology and Results

Assessing existing VA strengths and gaps: a 6 steps journey for 3 strategic outputs



3. Assessment Key Findings

The joint assessment identified a total of 6 major findings attributable to the existing VA practice in Sudan

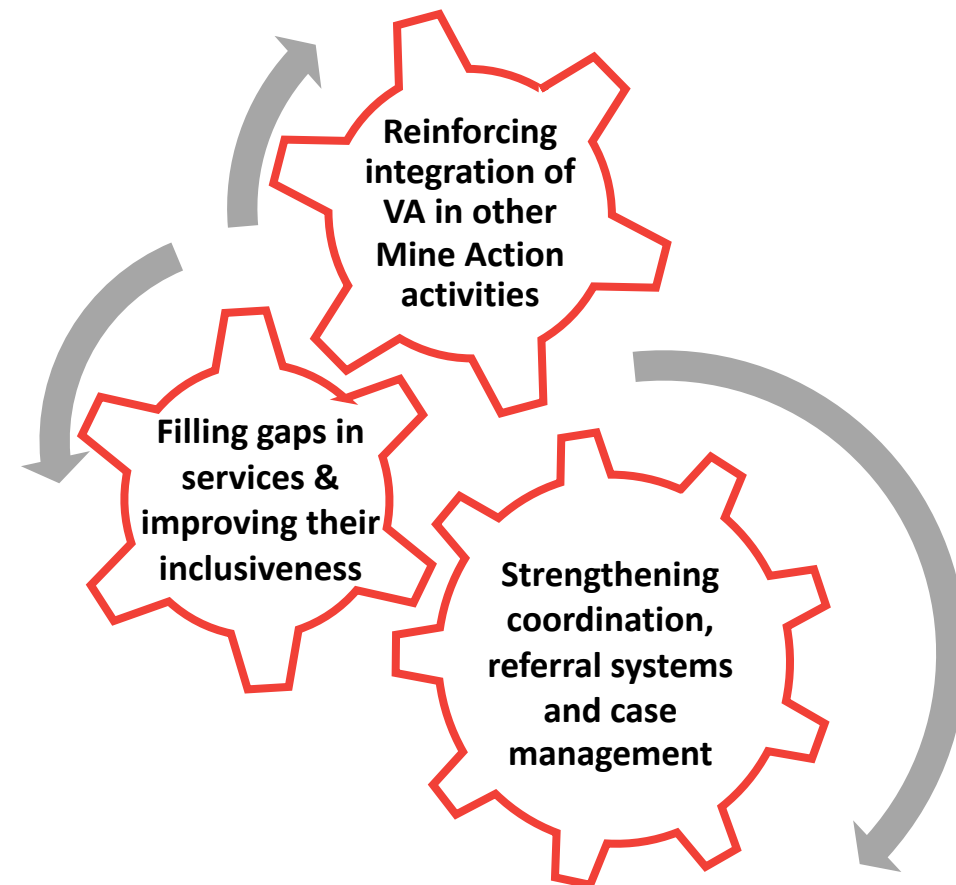


4. Recommendations for improving Victim Assistance in Sudan

Ensure immediate and sustainable long-term support that addresses the rights and the needs of EO victims

Shifting:

- From a *specific* Victim Assistance approach to an *integrated* approach
- From project delivery to focusing on how to **best manage impact and change**
- From individualized to **personalized approach**
 - Gender and Diversity Consideration
 - Developing Operational Capacities



Thank you
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