



Victim assistance

- Data Collection
- Needs assessment

Photo@Afghan Landmine Survivors Organization - peer support to a new landmine survivor, 2010, Kabul

VICTIM ASSISTANCE GUIDING PRINCIPLES

1. Human rights perspective
2. Inclusion
3. Non-discrimination
4. Gender and age considerations
5. Two-track approach
6. Accessibility
7. Variety, comprehensiveness and integrated nature of services
8. Capacity building, sustainability and ownership
9. Coordination of actors and stakeholders
10. Individual and tailored approach

<http://www.icbl.org/index.php/icbl/Work/MBT/Victim-Assistance>

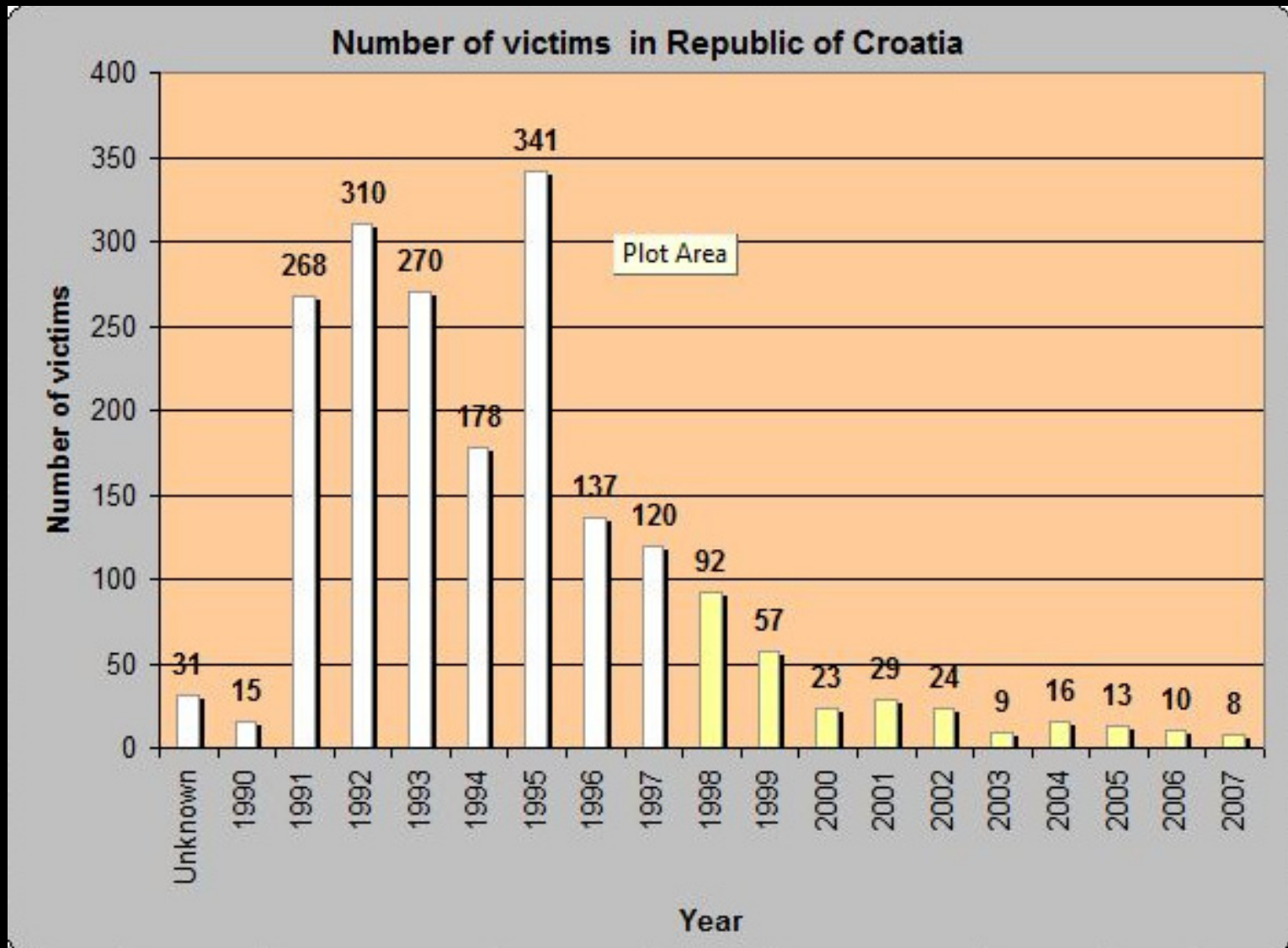
Victim Assistance



To understanding the extent of the challenge

- Casualty data collection/injury surveillance
- Needs assessments /surveys
- Mapping services and opportunities

Number of victims (Croatia)

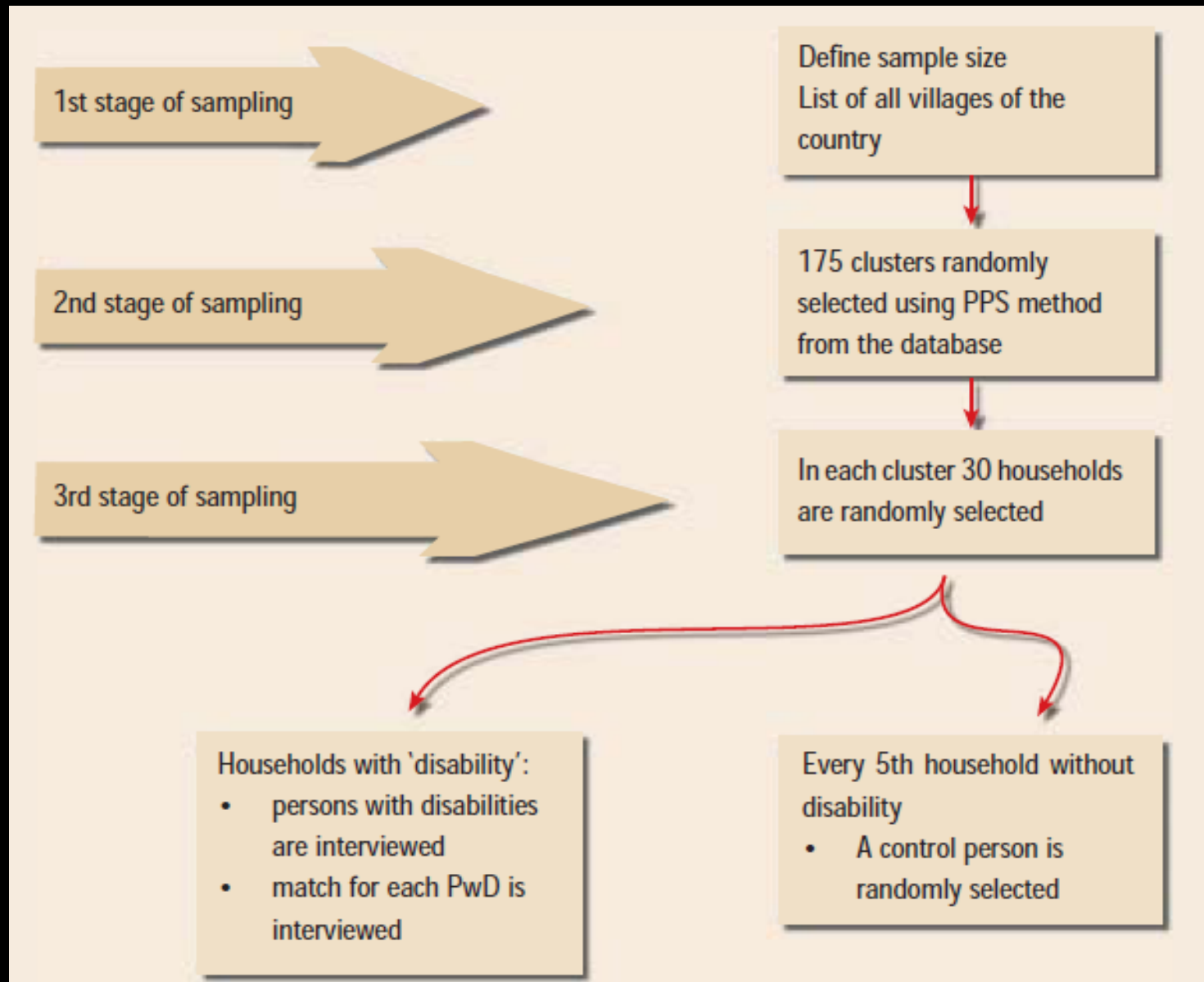


Needs assessments

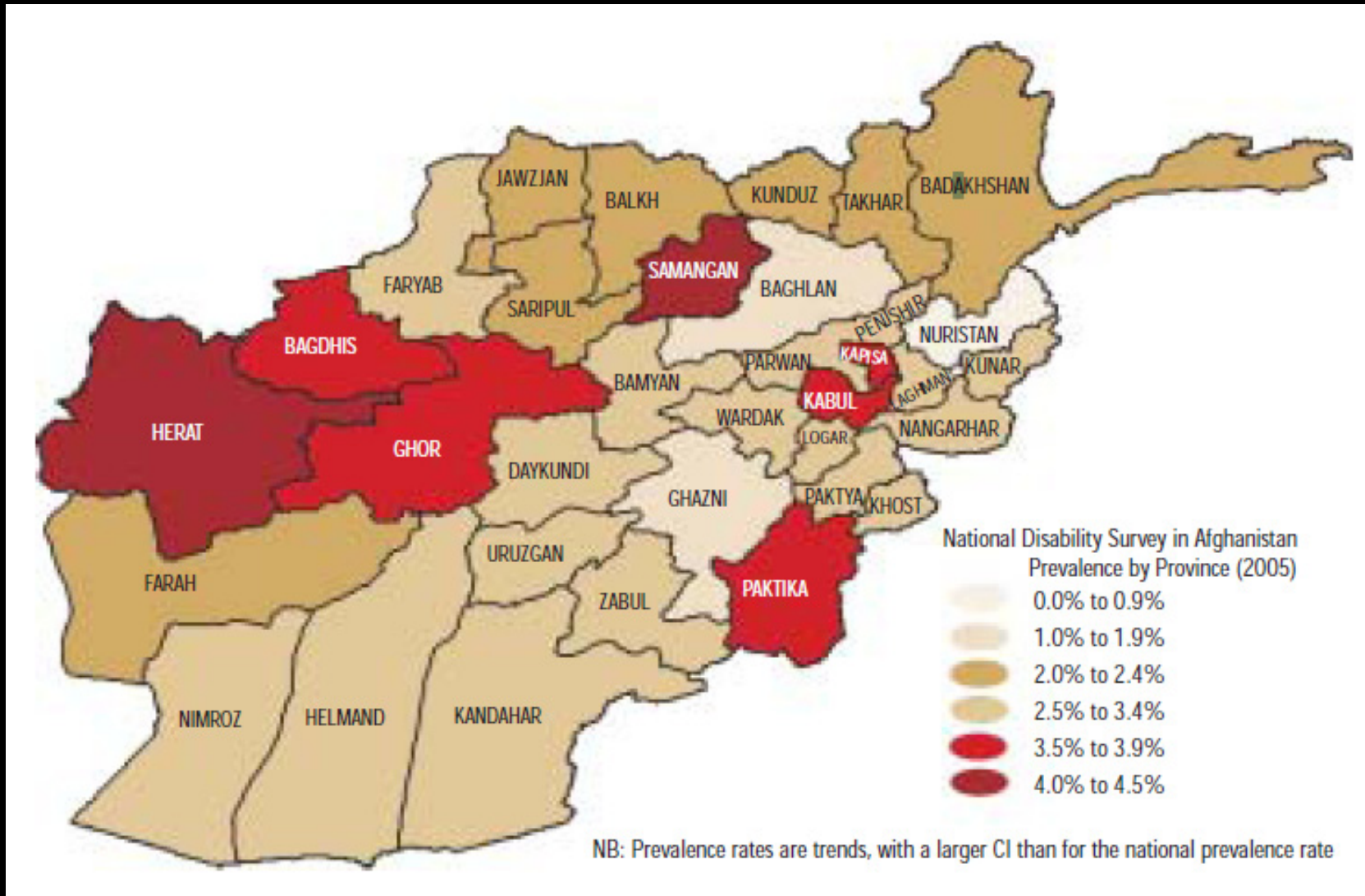
To understand the situation of survivors and persons with disabilities, we have to:

- collect accurate data
- analyze data
- and respond to the NEEDS!

Sampling survey in Afghanistan



Rate of Prevalence



Sharing information

- Disseminating in accessible forms
- Respecting privacy
- Data for service providers, victim assistance associations, disabled peoples organizations, specialized research
- For donors and others

Sources of information for regular data collection

- **Survivors and their families**
- **Ministries**
- **Affected communities**
- **Media**
- **Victim assistance and disabled persons organizations**
- **Hospitals**
- **UN**
- **Mine action actors**
- **ICRC/Red Cross**

To avoid

- Lost, damaged and inaccessible data
- Data collected but limited use
- Data does not include all the details about survivors' needs
- Lack of financial or training capacity to implement needs assessments together with casualty data collection
- Data not disaggregated and not updated
- Casualty data without assessment of survivors needs

Recommendations

1. Adequate coverage
2. Central data systems
3. Sharing data with all stakeholders in accessible format
4. Including needs assessments
5. Including survivors in data collection and needs assessment
6. Up-to-date
7. Making sure data is accurate, disaggregated and up-to-date
8. Protect privacy of personal info of persons with disabilities

Remember, data is about people not
just about statistics!

Resources:

www.icbl.org and www.the-monitor.org
www.victim-assistance.org
www.apminebanconvention.org

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