



**UNHCR Sub-Office JALALABAD
DISTRICT PROFILE**

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PROVINCE		Name: Kunar	Geo-Code: 10
DISTRICT		Name: Marawara	Geo-Code 1002
Population in 1990:		Settled 14557 refugees in Pakistan 7470	
CURRENT ESTIMATED POPULATION (ACCORDING TO LA INFORMATION)			
Total (Ind.)	Returned IDPs (Fam.)	Recent Returnees (Fam.)	IDPs (Fam.)
18826	10	100	0
		Children Under 12	Female Households
		2551	177
ETHNIC COMPOSITION: Pashtun 100% Hazara 0% Tajik 0% Uzbek 0% Other: 0%			
CURRENT ESTIMATED RETURNEE POPULATION (ACCORDING TO UNHCR RECORDS)			
	Returned IDPs (Fam.)	Update on	Recent Returnees (Fam.)
	0	3/1/02	28
EXPECTED RETURNING POPULATION 2002			
IDPS (Fam.)	0	RETURNEES (Fam.)	190
AUTHORITY			
Head of District:	Haji Mia Gul		
Other Information:	Haji Mia Gul belongs to Jamiat Islami Party. The district governor, police commander and local shura are ruling and solving the problems but in general they are not in the position to control everything in the district. For example, for the last two months several people and a lot of animals have been killed. The people's relationship with district governor is not good. The district governor does not participate at the central government decisions. One reason that has been cited for the tension is the claim that the district governor had failed to return 18 vehicles that he had allegedly taken from Taliban regime back to the Governor.		
GENERAL SITUATION			
Marawara District is located at a distance of 3 Km south-east of Kunar center (Assad Abad). Kunar River flows through the Northern side of this district. Since the altitude of the district is much higher than the Kunar river, the water from the river can not irrigate the land of the district. This district consists of 13 villages, some located at the border with Pakistan.			
SECTORAL INFORMATION			
SHELTER:	Percentage and Number of Houses Destroyed:	60 %	
	Housing Situation of Returning Population :	The majority of the houses of returnees that have recently returned are destroyed. They are therefore living with relatives.	
	Comments: Since some of the existing families returned 2 or 3 years ago, they have constructed their houses. Very small number of spontaneous returnees who have recently returned to their area of origin through Petwa Kandaw border (without VRF form), have lost their 60 % houses. These families would need urgent help for the construction of their houses.		
WATER:	Type of Potable Water Sources (and distance):	River, shallow well and spring.	
	Availability of Potable water (%):	40 %	
	Sanitation and Drainage:	Local system (self built).	
	Comments: 60 % people of this district use Kunar River water which is not suitable for drinking. There are some spring sources near Petaw Kandaw. If reservoirs are constructed, this water could also be distributed to other villages.		
AGRICULTURE:	Main crops:	Wheat, poppy, barley and maize.	

SECTORAL INFORMATION						
	Current Land Condition:		Because of drought more than 60 % land it is not cultivated.			
	Existing Irrigation schemes:		Local stream and a long concreted stream which is constructed by CARE with reservoir.			
	Agri/tool Banks:		Tractor and local system (plough).			
	Animal Husbandry		Cows, goats, sheep and donkeys.			
	Comments: For the last three years, the district has been suffering from drought. As a result, most of the land has been not been cultivated. At the same time, part of the river stream is damaged by the flood, and would need to be repaired.					
INCOME GENERATION:	Main Sources of Income:	Farming the land	% of NO income in the district	60 %		
	Comments: Since people of the district are very poor and they are suffering from drought, vocational training and small income generation projects are the priorities.					
HEALTH:	Health Centre:	Types	Currently functioning	Before 1998		
		No. of Clinic:	0	0		
		No. of Mobile Clinic:	0	0		
		No. of Hospital:	0	0		
		Nurses and Mid-wives	0	0		
Comments: Since there is no clinic in Marawara District, the inhabitants suffer from serious health problems, especially those villages that are located far away from the center like Bacha and Petaw. In general, Marawara district is located very close to Pakistan, and as such, some villagers take their patients for treatment to Pakistan.						
EDUCATION:	Education Centre:	Types	Currently functioning	Before 1998		
		No. of High School:	0	0		
		No. of Primary School:	10	3		
		No. of Home Based Sch:	1	0		
	Teacher:	Female:	7	Pupils:	Girls:	1048
		Male:	59		Boys:	1503
	Literacy Rate %:	2				
Comments: The district needs a high school. Students are going to Asad Abad to attend the High School there.						
MINE/UXOs:	Existence of mines & UXOs:		Mines are known to exist in the area			
	Identified priority villages to clear:		Gorgri mountain, Kam Kai Bacha.			
	Comments: Just a month ago a boy was injured as a result of a mine, and some animals were killed in Kamkay Bacha. No demining teams are known to work there.					
PROTECTION						
Population Movement:	Many people migrate on a daily basis to and from Pakistan					
Minority Issue:	Not existing.					
Land Ownership:	Two widows and one other women have complained about their houses and land occupation.					
House Occupation:						

SECTORAL INFORMATION	
Others:	<p>Fatima and Baro are two widows, their land and houses are occupied by their husband cousins in Marawara District. Other women did not told their names, said that her husband and her son have left their home town because some of the villagers wanted to kill them. And also the villagers offended her to leave the house and land. Musafar is anther man, he is originally from Marawara District, but since his childhood he is living in Jalalabad. He had land and house in Jalalabad city. He said on 13-01-2002 during night time his brother Mr. Nadir and Mr. Shir Mohd with 10 solders came and took him from his home to the river side, but in this time the security people of Hazrat Ali arrived and release him from them, He said Nadir and his brother are drivers of Mr.Haji Qadeer the provincial governor. Mr.Mosafar said that the above mentioned people on 01-03-02 came again to his home and exile him from his home and occupied all his property and his house. He maintained that still Mr. Nadir and his brother are living in his house. Meanwhile he mentioned his land which is located in the South side of the Jalalabad airport is also occupied by anther person is named Adam Khan. When we asked the reason from Mr. Musafar he repaid that on that time he was full colonel (Army officer) in the communist regime. regime.</p>
NGOs Working in the District	
Other Comments (including accessibility)	
<p>Marawara District has a small piece of cultivated land only which has been affected by the drought. There is hardly any income. Therefore a large number of young men of this village are going to Pakistan for work. In some villages like Petaw and Bacha, there are no schools. Children are studying in mosques and are taught by the local Mullah.</p> <p>The population figure is taken from the statistics for 2002, prepared by the Eastern Region EPI management team for 2002 UNI Data Population of the Republic Health Department.</p> <p>Data collected from the district shura and district health authorities suggested a lower figure (10500).</p>	