



The mine dogs in Cambodia has got the world's first mobile animal clinic

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OSLO, NORWAY, October 25, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The world's first mobile dog clinic has now arrived Cambodia to enjoyment and safety for the Norwegian People's Aid mine dogs. The clinic will extend the mine dogs' working life with one to two years

Cambodia has for three decades been exposed to armed conflict, and between three and five million explosives are still underground. Only in Cambodia Norwegian People's Aid has trained over 100 dogs who have contributed so over 34 million square meters of land can be used. Now the world's first mobile veterinary clinic is in place to give the dogs who work with their lives at stake the health care they deserve.

None of the dogs have so far lost their lives, but all dogs experience illness, injury, and need care and health care

It is a converted container developed and sponsored by the Norwegian container company BNS and Jan F. Andersen. In BNS has 100 employees have been working together to make the container a working animal clinic that contains all the necessary equipment to provide dogs treatment and care.

Mine dogs clean up to 800 sqm land each day

The dogs have been crucial for mine clearance to be speeded up in Cambodia. A dog team consists of two dogs and they can clean up to 800 square meters of land every day. That is fifty to one hundred times more than what a manual deminer can clarify.

Many of the mines are remnants of the Vietnam War, where Cambodia was subject to massive bombing. After so many years of conflict, Cambodia is one of the hardest hit countries in the world. It has been challenging to grow food. Not least, it led to injuries, amputations and death. Most victims of landmines are innocent civilians, and among them there are about 35 per cent children. If you travel to Cambodia would each 211. man you meet on the street have an amputation.

Enthusiastic Norwegians and our four-legged friends

The situation in Cambodia is thankfully beginning to improve. Largely due to enthusiastic Norwegians and our four-legged best friends.

Happy to help

Contributors are very proud and satisfied that the container is now up and running to provide the lifesaving dogs the care they deserve, and dogs trained under the best possible conditions.

- It has been great to be able to contribute in this way for both to extend the dog's life, and to assist the vital demining. It is terrible that people lose limbs because of landmines, says managing director for BNS Container, Lars Chr. Steen.

Charlotte points out that the job my dogs perform highly secure. No dog's life has been lost during the

18 years Norwegian People's Aid has been working with mine dogs worldwide. There are other health problems and injuries mainly going to be treated in the container clinic, as well as to follow up the dogs with regular health checks.

- I think the clinic will extend the dogs' working life with one to two years, says Charlotte Søyland. -The clinic ensures both animal welfare and good economics, she says.

Thanks to the container the dogs will get a better quality of life, and with proper care the dogs can save more lives!

Videos to be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0kkgcbY9Ed8>

<https://www.facebook.com/NPAdisarm/videos/1779480338996693/>

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