



**UNHCR Sub-Office JALALABAD
DISTRICT PROFILE**

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PROVINCE	Name:	Nangarhar	Geo-Code:	8	
DISTRICT	Name:	Jalalabad City	Geo-Code	801	
Population in 1990:	Settled:140611, Refugees in Pakistan: 59099				
CURRENT ESTIMATED POPULATION (ACCORDING TO LA INFORMATION)					
Total (Ind.)	Returned IDPs (Fam.)	Recent Returnees (Fam.)	IDPs (Fam.)	Children Under 12	Female Households
NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
ETHNIC COMPOSITION: about 85% Pashtun 0% Hazara 9% Tajik 0% Uzbek 6% Other					
CURRENT ESTIMATED RETURNEE POPULATION (ACCORDING TO UNHCR RECORDS)					
	Returned IDPs (Fam.)	Update on		Recent Returnees (Fam.)	Update on
	91	5/5/2002		1635	4/30/2002
EXPECTED RETURNING POPULATION 2002					
IDPS (Fam.)	NA		RETURNEES (Fam.)	NA	
AUTHORITY					
Head of the City:	Eng. Abdul Ghafar				
Other Information:	<p>Mohd Younus Khalis (Pashtun), leader of Hezb e Islami (Khalis group), is based in Jalalabad . Hazrat Ali (Pashayee), a former commander of Khalis who later became a key member of the Northern Alliance in the eastern zone, is head of the military garrison. Haji Zaman (Pashtun), a former commander of Pir Gilani party has left Jalalabad City in May 2002 and he was replaced by Gul Karim, another commander linked to Hazrat Ali.</p> <p>Haji Abdul Qadir, a former commander of the Khalis group, is currently Governor of Nangarhar Providence.</p>				
GENERAL SITUATION					
Jalalabad City is located in the centre of Nangarhar province. It is divided into 4 wards. The population density is high, and is increased by the high number of returnees and IDPS. The security situation has improved. It was not possible to obtain accurate figures for the current population of the city, number of IDP's and returnees.					
SECTORAL INFORMATION					
SHELTER:	Percentage and Number of Houses Destroyed:	5 %			
	Housing Situation of Returning Population :	Good			
	Comments: 95% of civilians have repaired their houses.				
WATER:	Type of Potable Water Sources (and distance):	Pipe schem system, shallow wells and tube wells.			
	Availability of Potable water (%):	98			
	Sanitation and Drainage:	Local system			
	Comments: DACAAR and SCA have made shallow/ tube wells. Madera has implemented sanitation projects (pit latrines) and IIRO and BACURA have also implemented sanitation and drainage projects.				
AGRICULTURE:	Main crops:	Vegetables / fruits			
	Current Land Condition:	Very little land is available			
	Existing Irrigation schemes:	Local system			

SECTORAL INFORMATION						
	Agri/tool Banks:		70% tractors and locally made tools			
	Animal Husbandry		Poultry, Cows			
	Comments: Being an urban area only a small area is cultivated.					
INCOME GENERATION:	Main Sources of Income:	Trade, public and private employees	% of NO income in the City	30%		
	Comments: A large number of persons are employed by NGOs UN agencies and government offices. Others work as traders and daily wage labourers.					
HEALTH:	Health Centre:	Types		Currently functioning	Before 1998	
		No. of Clinic:		10	10	
		No. of Mobile Clinic:		0	0	
		No. of Hospital:		6	6	
	Nurses and Mid-wives		188	100		
Comments: Health facilities can be considered very good. Many clinics are currently functioning in Jalalabad. The clinics and hospitals are supported by UN agencies and international NGOs.						
EDUCATION:	Education Centre:	Types		Currently functioning	Before 1998	
		No. of High School:		0	0	
		No. of Primary School:		0	0	
		No. of Home Based Sch:		0	0	
	Teacher:	Female:	0	Pupils:	Girls:	0
		Male:	0		Boys:	0
	Literacy Rate %:		90			
Comments: It was not possible to obtain figures for the number of schools currently functioning. None of the schools have benches and chairs. The Head of the Education Department (a former Hizb e Islami commander) is strongly resistant to the education programmes currently being implemented by UN agencies and international NGOs.						
MINE/UXOs:	Existence of mines & UXOs:		UXOs are existence in Wards 1 and 4.			
	Identified priority villages to clear:		Wards 1 and 4			
	Comments: Ward 1, 3 and 4 were conflict zones in Jalalabad in the late 1980s. Ward 3 has been cleared completely by the demining section. Clearance of Ward 4 is ongoing. Parts of Wards 1 and 4 have been not cleared yet.					
PROTECTION						
Population Movement:		A big number of refugees returning from Pakistan through Jalalabad City to central and other provinces of Afghanistan. A number of IDP families mainly from the northern provinces of Afghanistan is concentrated in the City as well.				
Minority Issue:		There was previously a significant Hindu and Sikh community in Jalalabad (3,500 families). Most of these left for India in the late 1980s and early 1990s. There are now approximately 135 families remaining. Most of their children are educated in religious schools. Many houses belonging to Hindus and Sikhs were seized by the Mujahedin in the early 1990s. The protection situation of this group requires further monitoring.				
Land Ownership:		A number of land disputes are registered.				
House Occupation:		According to the attorney, a number of houses (including some belonging to refugees) have been occupied.				

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Others:	Many cases concerning land ownership and house occupation have been registered since 1992 and are ongoing.
NGOs Working in the District	
<p>The following NGOS are currently functioning in Jalalabad: International NGOS: INTERSOS, ISRA, IIRO, SCA, ICRC, IRC, Madera, Omar, DDG. National NGOS: AGHCO, BACURA, ARO, ARC, DCG, IHSAN, ARDO, IMRAN. Demining, AAMA, MCPA, MDC and ATC.</p>	
Other Comments (including accessibility)	
<p>The security situation at night remains unsafe, and there is a curfew from 10:00 pm to 4:00 am. Former commanders are in the City and there are also armed people.</p>	