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Afghan National Army (ANA) Trust Fund

The NATO-run Afghan National Army (ANA) Trust Fund is one of three funding streams used by the International Community to channel its financial support to Afghanistan's security forces and institutions. The other two are the Law and Order Trust Fund for Afghanistan (LOTFA), administered by the United Nations Development Programme, and the United States Afghanistan Security Forces Fund (ASFF). LOTFA is used to pay the salaries of police and correction personnel and to build the capacity of the Afghan Ministry of the Interior and the police. The ASFF is subject to a US-Afghan bilateral agreement and pays for equipping and running Afghanistan's security forces.

The ANA Trust Fund was created in 2007 to provide a mechanism - for Allied and partner nations contributing troops to the former NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) in Afghanistan, as well as for other NATO partners - to support the transportation and installation of donated equipment, to purchase equipment and services for ANA engineering projects, and to support in and out-of-country training. Over time, the scope of the ANA Trust Fund was expanded to also support the sustainment of the ANA, to support literacy and professional military education and capacity building activities – including those to strengthen good governance within the Afghan security structures - and to enhance women's participation within the relevant Afghan Ministries and security institutions.

The ANA Trust Fund continues to focus its activities primarily on the Afghan National Army. The Fund can also be used to provide support in some areas to other elements of the Afghan security forces. This contributes to increase the ability of different elements of the Afghan security forces to operate together.

Following agreement at the NATO Summit in Chicago in May 2012, the ANA Trust Fund has been adapted to make it more flexible, transparent, accountable and cost effective, and to include measures against corruption. In Chicago, NATO Allies, ISAF nations, and other NATO partners reaffirmed their strong commitment to support the training, equipping, financing and capability development of the Afghan security forces beyond 2014. At the NATO Summit in Warsaw in July 2016, NATO Allies and partners agreed to continue their financial support for the sustainment of the ANDSF, including until 2020. The Afghan government has the lead responsibility to sustain the ANDSF. They have agreed to provide at least 500 million U.S. dollars per year at the start, with that contribution increasing steadily over time.

The ANA Trust Fund is directly linked to the implementation of a roadmap launched by the Afghan government to further develop the Afghan security forces and institutions. This roadmap has four key elements, namely enhancing national combat capabilities, countering corruption, developing new military leaders, and establishing proper command and control arrangements amongst different elements of the ANDSF.

Activities funded through the ANA Trust Fund are implemented in accordance with a yearly Implementation Plan, which is approved by the ANA Trust Fund Board. The Trust Fund Board is composed of national representatives from donor nations and the Trust Fund manager. This body monitors the ANA Trust Fund and reviews its cost effectiveness, financial integrity, and accountability, including through quarterly performance reports and annual financial audits.

Examples of current activities include the following projects: 200 million U.S. dollars for the Power Delivery Power Purchase Agreement Project; 176 million U.S. dollars for Mi-17 Helicopter Repair and Overhaul Projects; 88 million U.S. dollars for Occupational Clothing and Individual Equipment; and multiple facility sustainment, logistical sustainment, training and medical projects.

Training: Train the Trainer - Tactical Combat Casualty Care

The training includes a basic life support advanced course, self-aid buddy care advanced course, and a combat life saver advanced course. All aimed at training Afghan's as future trainers to build the capabilities of the ANA.





Logistical Sustainment: Organizational Clothing and Individual Equipment

Provides soldiers with essential clothing and equipment for training and operations.

FIGURE 8: EXTERNAL VIEW OF OUTER SHELL (ANA)





Infrastructure Sustainment: Women's Police Town

Provide living facilities for 300 female ANP families adjacent to the exisiting male police town to ensure the safety of female ANP members and families. Incentivizes female retention and recruiting while building camaraderie and morale through enhanced security.

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C4ISR Capability - Persistent Stare and RAID Tower Maintenance Training, Parts, and Camera Repairs

Will provide the ANA with the capability to actively sustain these systems. The systems provide intelligence generation, patrol over watch, counter-improvised explosive device (C-IED), counter- indirect tire (C-IDF), and support for evidence-based operations.





As of 28 May 2018, total contributions made to the Trust Fund amount to more than 2.3 billion U.S. dollars. The ANA Trust Fund is open for contributions by the broader International Community.

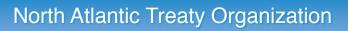
Afghan National Army (ANA) Trust Fund Status of Contributions Made As of 28 May 2018

(All amounts in US dollars - rounded figures)

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