The economic council and mining ministry worked on this mine for five years. It should be asked why the ministry of mines did not assess the mine to find out if there was enough ore to be mined (before awarding the contract)," said Tahiri.

"The problem is that government does not have the capacity to manage the mines. This was a small mine and they signed after a few years, but now they say it has been terminated," Zama Rashidi, a mining expert said.

Mufi said however they will reimburse the company for the money paid out.

Based on the contract, the company would have to invest up to $400,000 USD in the mine and to pay 1,065 AFS to government for every tonne of ore produced. The contract said the company had to extract up to 25,000 tonnes of salt annually (Tolo news)

27 Over 47,000 People... registration centers, 47 centers are closed and over 40 others face partial or full closure.

Twenty (voter registration) centers are closed in one district and as many as 25 others, mainly in another two districts which have fallen (to insurgents). And those districts which are under medium and high threats require military operations," he said. "We are prepared to carry out the process in the other 252 centers.

Residents in insecure areas in Bamiyan, Badakhshan and the Gereshk district of Farah province have been to the centers to ensure the safety of all voter registration centers in the province.

Badakhshan security agencies have the lowest facilities in terms of the military presence against the enemy... people will not be able to attend elections if this situation continues," said Haji Shapoor, a local representative from Zurmeh district. He was heading a meeting in a security center in Faizabad City.

"Our information shows that residents of the districts of Chashmah, Ghandian and Ghustaka (districts) have been warned not to attend the voter registration meetings and have not ready to take part in the process," said another local representative from Wardak district.

Rahman police vowed to ensure the safety of all centers in the province.

The government and materials were delivered to areas which are under low and medium threat to make the people interested and to ensure operations when needed in order to ensure the safety of the electoral process (inside the country).

The government said they will provide fresh air and improves the environment. ‘He further said ‘We hope that the beauty of our environment will be further improved,‘

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In the meantime, the IEC’s deputy commissioner Mohamad Khan and Mohamad Mohaqiq, who on the day registered to vote in Kabul, said the only way for a credible political change is to go to the polls and urged people to register.

They said that public participation is the prerequisite to the elections process.

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