

MEETING NOTES

SHELTER & NFI CLUSTER MEETING (FEDERAL)

Thursday 13 October 2016, 14:00, IOM Office, Addis Ababa

Present: IRC, ICRC, ERCS IOM, DfID, UNOCHA

Action points

1. The Cluster to send out revised Sector Checklist as discussed in the meeting
2. Check with other sectors' checklist that need for IDPs are also taken into account.
3. Follow up on distribution data revision bilaterally with agencies
4. Draft cluster objectives to be sent out
5. Partners to review funding data that will be included in the PMR.
6. The cluster to request for an overview of security situation following the announcement of State of Emergency, and implication for distribution planning.
7. Cluster to request IRC to be added to the Cash Working Group mailing list.

Attachment: 161017_ShleterNFI_Checklist.pdf

1. Welcome & Introduction: Introduction of all present.

2. Review of action points from previous meetings

Action points (29 August 2016)

1. The cluster to send out breakdown of 4W for ERCS and ICRC for verification	Done – no response, will resend
2. Assessments from Bale Zone and Humera (Tigray) from ERCS to be shared to cluster partners	Done
3. Further discussions required on supporting 'separate' IDPs in Tigray.	For discussion in Agenda 5.
Next 4W reporting date is Monday 10 th October	

3. Sector Checklist Revision:

- The revised draft sector checklist was shared for review during the meeting. Primarily this checklist is being revised for use in the Meher assessment, and will be used as a tool for Key Informant interview at the Woreda level. However, it is foreseen that the checklist can also be used for sector's site-level assessment in future displacement following a displacement.
- Overall comments: the checklist should also consider situation where the people have either returned, or have not been displaced, but have been affected in their place of origin. In reverse, there is a need to check with other sectors whether IDPs need and vulnerability are also taken into account.
- More specific comments include:
 - Section E1.1-E1.4 – consider changing % to ½, ¼, etc.
 - E3 – add tools to one of the options
 - E4 – add weather and lack of transport for options
 - F3 – add nail, CGI roofing and rope, also consider how to add cash as an option.
- A guideline is to be developed for training and reference of the enumerators.
- The draft checklist has also been shared with protection cluster for comment.



- The attached checklist is revised following the cluster meeting – as well as incorporating feedback from the methodology sub-working group on 17th October.

4. Updates on Meher Assessment and Planning for HRD 2017

- The methodology sub-working group has been re-activated and had its first meeting on the 3rd October. The main objective of the meeting was to review lessons learned from Belg Assessments and collate recommendations for the revision of sectors' checklist for the Meher Assessment.
- While the assessment was initially planned for mid-October, in order to have the HRD 2017 launched by December, consultations with the regions indicated that this will be too early. The assessment is now being planned for mid November, which will mean a launch date for HRD of around early January. 8
- The next meeting will be on the coming Monday 17th October where the sector's checklist will be shared and the planning further developed.

5. Cluster Strategy and Priority Activities for the next 6 months

The cluster currently does not have an up-to-date and active strategy, so while preparation for HRD 2017 is starting up, this is seen as a good opportunity to re-evaluate its objectives as well as priority activities for the next 6 months.

The first objective: Provide coordinated, life-saving, emergency shelter and household NFI assistance to the affected and displaced populations; is where most of the cluster's activities have been taking place historically. However, the displacement data has shown that while drought and conflict-affected displacement have a very low rate of return, those affected by flooding generally return within a period of 2-3 months.

As such, some partners in the cluster would be interested to explore possibilities of providing targeted shelter assistance that could potentially minimize future seasonal displacement due to flooding, adding this to another objective of the cluster.

It was noted that the strategy should also attempt to address the following issues:

- Households vs. Individual as a unit for support. Exploration of cash as a modality of assistance could address this issue. This would also mean going beyond defining kit definitions, but also providing guidelines around value of assistance.
- Linkages and overlap with other clusters/sectors, as well as required coordination.

The cluster will draft up the strategy based on the discussion in the meeting and share with cluster partners for further discussion.

6. Security Updates

- IRC shared information regarding the 3 incidents in West Arsi that affected their AWD response storage. IRC is working with the elders to negotiate for safe storage of their stock and raise awareness on its work.
- ERCS has dispatched kits to Arsi branch (140 kits) and West Arsi (645 kits) using Red Cross vehicles. So far there has been no security incidents
- There is also been reports of displacement in Deilla, SNNPR of 35,000 persons. The Gedeo authorities have verified 11,000 IDPs in the zone and provided food and NFI assistances.



- A question was raised regarding the state of emergency announcement and the implication on gathering of large number of people for distribution.
- Partners would also like to have an overview and analysis on the situation following the announcement of state of emergency.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 27th October, 14.00 The cluster will be reaching out to NDRMC to see if an interim representation can be made for the cluster while Ms. Yehuelashet remains on leave.