

MEETING NOTES

SHELTER & NFI CLUSTER MEETING (FEDERAL)

Thursday 27 October 2016, 14:00, IOM Office, Addis Ababa

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

Action points

1. ERCS to check with Nogob branch for follow up on joining assessment in Qubi with NRC.
2. UNICEF to share its Gedio assessment outcome when available
3. The cluster to follow up with SCI on its recent request of Dfid items from NDRMC for AWD response
4. NDRMC to share details of dispatches and distribution with the cluster and Dfid
5. The cluster to forward Cash Working Group TOR and template for cash transfer program mapping
6. The cluster to send out 'NFI price mapping' template for partners to help collect information

Attachment:

Distribution summary

Cash Working Group Documents

1. Welcome & Introduction: Introduction of all present.

2. Review of action points from previous meetings

Action points (13 October 2016)

1. The Cluster to send out revised Sector Checklist as discussed in the meeting	Done – the final version also incorporated feedback from methodology sub-working group
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	Done
4. Draft cluster objectives to be sent out	Pending
5. Partners to review funding data that will be included in the PMR.	IRC will confirm update
6. The cluster to request for an overview of security situation following the announcement of State of Emergency, and implication for distribution planning.	OCHA is currently compiling and mapping, this should be ready for sharing next week.
7. Cluster to request IRC to be added to the Cash Working Group mailing list.	Done – update on Cash WG in Agenda 5.

3. Regional Updates:

- Qoliji: IRC has started dispatches of 1,000 ES/NFI and 1,200 dignity kits based on official request from the regional DPPB. Distribution is expected to start next week. Verification is taking place, and there may still remain a gap of a few hundred households



- Qubi:
 - ICRC is donating 1,041 kits to ERCS to contribute to this response and dispatch to Jijiga has started today and is expected to complete by Saturday.
 - NRC has contacted ERCS to join the planned joint verification assessment in 3 locations (around 1,500HH), but have yet to received reply. ERCS to check with the Nogob branch for follow up.
- Mino: distribution in Mino town has resumed with remaining kits in storage. This is mostly targeting Oromo communities who have remained in the vicinity following the security incidence.
- Gedio, SNNP: Current estimate is that 21,000 people have been displaced within Gedio zone following clashes at the start of October.
 - IRC currently has 2,000 kits prepositioned in Hawassa warehouse, should there be a request for assistance.
 - UNICEF is carrying out assessment in the zone and will share the outcome when it is available.
 - NDRMC has provided 220 partial kits in Dilla as well as 2,600 full kits in Konso.
- Tigray: NRC is sending a delegation to Mekele to discuss the possible assistance as well as possible geographical location with DPPB later this week.

4. Updates on DFID Kits (NDRMC)

- Of all the kits provided by DfID, 96% have been dispatched from Adama hub for both preposition as well as immediate distribution. Of the remaining 4%, NDRMC has recently received requests for AWD response in Somali by Save the children (SCI), the items to be dispatched for Somali include: hygiene items, beddings and water purification.
- In Somali region 10,656 kits have been reported as distributed by SCI and NRC, with additional 1,805 remaining (NRC)
- In SNNPR, 2,076 kits have been distributed in Dasenech and Kochere
- Oromia: 3,211 shelter kits and around 2,500 households NFIs kits have been distributed in Chole, Gololcha and Shashemene.
- NDRMC to share detail breakdown of the dispatches and distribution with the cluster coordinator and DfID.

5. Cash for NFI

- The 3rd monthly cash working group was held on Tuesday 25th at NRC. It's task, to-date, had been to establish TOR, a steering committee, and started mapping of Cash Transfer Program (CTP). The cluster had ask for the working group to share relevant document so that they can be shared with cluster partners.
- The working group is still in its formative stage and would welcome support of agencies currently carrying out cash-related programs. Each meeting currently includes a presentation from an agency of their cash program as a standing agenda point.
- Most existing programs and discussions for cash revolve around food and/or refugee context. ICRC has been carrying out cash envelope program in Adigrat for income generation activities, working with 650 households over the past 5 years. The program includes reimbursement of the seed funds, which have been quite successful. This year it will start up the same program in Shire.
- Some of the main concerns regarding use of cash or voucher for NFI would be access and infrastructure, and quality of available material in the markets. It was generally agree that the modality will not work across the whole country, but in certain context and locations it could be ideal.



- It was also noted that emergency response and recovery response may require a different strategy related to the use of cash. Vendors orientation and change in customs may also take time.
- The cluster would like to start the process and discussion by carrying out basic price mapping of NFIs that are available in the market, requesting that partners ask their field teams to collect basic information on pricing, availability and quality in areas they are operating in.
- The revised form for collecting these information will be shared.

6. AOB:

- Security impact on program implementation
 - ICRC's post-harvest monitoring visits have been postponed in East and West Hararge as discussions with zonal and regional authorities continues.
 - ERCS distribution in West Arsi and Arsi had also been postponed while they discuss the plans with local command post
 - There are general confusions regarding the Command Post's roles and responsibilities in relationship to humanitarian activities
 - NRC had recently held an inauguration of its Resource Centre, having informed police and local authorities before hand. The event went off without an incident
 - It was felt that there is very different view on 'closed' and 'opened' gatherings.
 - Partners are reminded of the weekly UNDSS briefing for NGO and UN on Friday mornings, which should be attended by the agencies' security focal points. There is also Access Working Group, which should already be attended by head of agencies/operations.
 - NDRMC should also be approached and consulted when access becomes a challenge.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 10th November, 14.00