

Shelter Cluster meeting: March 2nd 2016

Present: (to be filled in)

Mr Vula Shaw welcomed

SHELTER CLUSTER UPDATE

TB - Tomorrow evening cluster will be reinforced with Technical Advisor and Information Manager

FLASH APPEAL UPDATE

Covers preliminary issues that are faced across all sectors including plans around estimates around resources that would be needed to carry out activities

Shelter sector - Estimate 87,000 families in track of cyclone (2007 census data). Estimate that there are 24,000 families whose houses have been either highly damaged or destroyed.

In 4 weeks' time there will be more information from assessments to get a better picture of the situation.

4 agencies have specifically requested international – IOM, HFHF, CARE/ Live & Learn, Friends

Collectively around \$5Million in immediate human response mainly around tarpaulins, shelter tool kits, IEC materials,

Scope to work with partners who have submitted to flash appeal.

*Note: just because items are in flash appeal does not mean they will be funded.

INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

All need to input data into the 3W template. TB will send around again to the group.

All back to OCHA for the time being until Information Manager arrives.

MAPPING

Partners put notes where they either plan to act or are acting

PCN – informal settlements Fiji. First is cleanup campaign. Volunteers repairing damaged homes. Awaiting food items for distribution along with repairing. Trying to get people out of evacuation centres. 600 HH

Ola Fou Fiji – Communities in West (12 communities) prioritising 4 communities that are most badly damaged. Food supply for 2 weeks. Want to partner with others in assisting with rebuilding.

ADRA – working in the West, RakiRaki to Tailevu. Working with Habitat. Intend to distribute shelter kits to families.

Grace Road (Daniel Kim) – permanent housing to support Naucobao village (at the beginning). Start from tomorrow 2 teams working to build 25 houses

All Hands – available to be man power for distribution, construction, debris removal

World Vision – not operational in Fiji. Scoping out how they could complement an existing agency, add value to existing gaps. Possibility to bring in stocks.

HART – focus on 800 families that are in their remit. Started with cleanup. 15 houses are destroyed. Also need manpower around infrastructure. Moving in to repair houses. Happy to work with any other group to assist in wherever need is.

Shelterbox – focusing on shelter box tent and shelter box (tent plus NFIs). Have brought in 200 to date – with around half being distributed to date. Welcome opportunity to team with others to do the same thing at a larger scale. 130 awaiting distribution to Koro. 209 boxes waiting in Australia, 225 in Dubai (up to 2,000 boxes). Want to work with others doing different scales of damage. 2,000 solar lights.

Highlights need for different shelter options depending on the need.

HFH – dependent on funding. Focussing on Shelter Kits – around 12,000 if all funding comes in.

Possible gaps in reconstruction/ rehab stage

FRCS – tarpaulins and shelter kits to 4,450 HH, training volunteers. Will focus on gaps where others are not working.

CARE/ Live & Learn – Western Division, targeting 4,000 HH. Immediate strategy is to support the process of self-recovery. Build Back Safer messaging, a lot of training, community mentoring. Fixing kits, tools and tarps. Closely coordinated with WASH.

DFAT – Government priority has been shelter. Sat with NDMO and they came up with relief items. Have been doing best to fill that since day 2. Have been providing shelter tool kits and tarpaulins to the NDMO. Don't know what is the NDMO's overall plan to use all of these stores. There may be an opportunity to for Shelter Cluster to work in with the NDMO. All being planned through the Future Ops. There are real opportunities for partnerships. (DFAT can look to share information around stocks and distribution. Large percentage still in warehouses)

TB – any consideration of cash/ vouchers or alternatives with

CARE/ Live and Learn investigating different ways to facilitate delivery of materials to communities. Save the children are considering cash for work.

TB – large proportion of funds (in flash appeal) focus in livelihoods. Ideas around \$250 payment to all affected over last 3 months. This might impact our shelter response.

Adra – Food vouchers successful in TC Evans, may be useful.

HFHA – one of activities applied for is a voucher system.

OTHER ISSUES

Materials

ML – note that stocks are becoming limited within country (eg. no more tarpaulins at Vinod Patel)

Trauma

Trauma is a huge issue and needs to be considered. Link in with Protection and Health Clusters, but also the act of rebuilding will assist

Sanitation

Not being addressed in such a big way as Shelter or WASH

TB – Important reminders that we need to link in with other clusters and coordinate response

Smaller Groups

Cash working group – PCN, HFHF

Technical working group – HFHF, CARE/ Live & Learn, PCN, HART, Shelterbox?

Strategic advisory group – DFAT, PCN, CARE/ Live & Learn, HFHF, Grace Road, FRCS, NDMO, Ministry Rural affairs, Shelterbox

Longer Term recovery

Grace Road highlighted need for thinking about recovery (permanent housing)

NEXT MEETING: Friday 04 March, 11am