

**Shelter & NFI Coordination Meeting  
Held at UNHCR on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2009 at 3 p.m**

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**1. Return NFI Kits :**

- Items of the Return NFI Kits were discussed on the basis of the list that was distributed in August 2009.
- IOM is of the opinion that a few pieces of timber should be added to the Return NFI Kit as well.
- The GoSL is discouraging the agencies in providing Shelter or Shelter items during their 180 day plan and is promoting only the Shelter Cash Grant. To distribute pieces of timber in the Return NFI Kit may not be acceptable but the views of the other agencies will be considered and sought after at the next Shelter and NFI Meeting
- IOM would put forward a proposal with the costing for this purpose.

**2. Shelter Cash Grant :**

- It has been decided to commence the Shelter Cash Grant programme in Jaffna. UNHCR is waiting for the List from the GoSL / Military, of the IDPs that have been moved from Vavuniya to Jaffna.
- UNHCR will be signing a MOU with the GoSL.

- The Return Form that will be completed and handed over to the time of their boarding the buss from Menic Farm is being prepared and has been translated in Tamil and Sinhala.

**3. Relocation Program :**

- Shelter Cash Grant would not be given to the IDPs that are re-located. A different type of assistance has been decided for these IDPs.
- The agencies requested a table to be prepared with the types of assistance and costing that will be provided to the IDPs.

**4. CHAP 2010 :**

- CHAP 2010 – Negotiations with the GoSL is on going.

**5. Drainage at Menic Farm :**

- Completed in most of the Zones and will be completed in the balance Zones by mid October.
- Maintenance will be done by the RDD and SLA. RDD will put together a proposal outlining the maintenance activities
- Security - A 80 cm wire mesh fence would be fixed around the deep drains to avoid children / people falling into them. UNICEF and other educational agencies would brief the children on the awareness of the dangers in playing around these areas and climbing the fences etc.

**6. Maintenance of Shelters :**

- Maintaining of Shelters is a continuous process. Most of the Shelter Agencies are committed to implement this programme.
- Due to the resistance of the funding from the Donors maintenance of shelters will be a difficult task for the next year.
- Shelter Agencies would do their best to advocate to the GoSL to expedite the return of the IDPs to their places of origin.

<b>Action Points:</b>
1. IOM to prepare a Proposal with Costing to include 5 pieces of timber in the Return NFI Kit
2. Prepare a table with the types of benefits and the costs that will be provided to the IDPs.



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