

**Shelter & NFI Coordination Meeting
held at UNHCR on 8th October 2009 at 3 p.m.**

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I. CHAP

- Pillars and Cross Cutting Themes: Agreement on the adoption of Relief Operations, Return and Immediate Early Recovery to be the pillars; Protection and Mine Action will remain cross cutting themes;
- The definition 'open camps': UNHCR stated that no decision in relation to UNHCR's position on the welfare centre assistance has reached yet. This would be a discussion at the HQ level with donors based on the Bureau Director's and the UN Humanitarian Coordinator recommendations;
- GoSL adopted figures: The discussion focused on viewing the CHAP as an advocacy tool thus adopting GoSL figures indicated for return, or if it should be a funding tool that reflects the actualities in the beneficiary figures enabling fund raising. Previous

years experience ascertained that the CHAP was a fund raising tool driven by the GoSL hence adopting GoSL derived figures was a positive approach.

- Immediate Early Recovery: It was agreed that a clearer definition for this pillar was needed; for issues in relation to food, shelter, mine action et cetera under this pillar will have to be brought forth.
- Shelter: Advocating for shelter under all pillars will be through UNHCR; thus the type and stage of shelter will need further clarification. In this instance, the core-housing funding will be needed, which will need to be under a different CHAP addressing early-immediate recovery phase.
- IDPs versus Returnees: A clear distinction of IDPs and returnees to be adopted; all agreed that there was high propensity for the GoSL to categorise all as returnees. Similarly the term welfare centre also to be reviewed.
- GoSL request in Jaffna: UNOPS stated that the GoSL has requested its assistance in Jaffna to construct relief centers for the returning IDPs to the district.
- Meeting with the GoSL stakeholders: It was agreed that the Ministry of Disaster Management and Human Rights and Ministry of Resettlement and Disaster Relief Services involved in this sector should be invited to review the CHAP and the shelter cluster proposals.

II. Shelters Designs for IDP Returns :

- Four shelter designs with costing were presented by IOM to the participants.
 - “A” Shelter - very basic – similar to the UNOPS design - will last for less than 3 months
Estimated cost USD 80
 - Menic Farm Shelter - will last for 3 to 6 months
Estimated cost USD 150
 - Musali Shelter – will last for more than 2 years
Estimated cost USD 750
 - Core House – Semi Permanent
Estimated cost USD 1500
- It was agreed that the best option would be to provide the Musali Shelters to the IDP Returns on the following conditions :
 - To include timber and tool kit in addition to tarpaulin sheets and ropes and this could be given to the IDPs with the Shelter Cash Grant
 - Labour to be provided by the IDPs : the cost could be reduced to USD 500 per shelter
 - Possibility to upgrade these shelters later to Core Houses
 - IOM will present this proposal to the Technical Working Group in Vavuniya and to the other districts for their suggestions
- The Agencies can include this project to the CHAP 2010.

III. World Bank assistance to build Core Houses for the Return IDPs:

UNHABITAT briefed the participants on the discussions that have taken place with the GoSL. He stated that Ministry of Nation Building has approached the assistance of the

World Bank to provide Core Houses to the Return IDPs. The approximate cost of a Core House would be in the range of USD 3,000.

IV. Return NFI Kit :

DRC requested the composition items of the Return NFRI Kit. This will taken up at the next Shelter and NFI Meeting