



**ES/NFI Cluster Coordination Meeting - Afghanistan**  
**2017 JUN 11 10:00 - 12:00**  
**UNHCR CO Kabul**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

Introduction	<b>ACTION</b>	
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>When</b>
New Staff from CARE was Introduced <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>New partners are encouraged to sign up on the cluster mailing available on the cluster's website</b></li> </ul>	All partners	Ongoing
<b>Review of Action points from last Cluster meeting and brief from the Chair</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>When</b>
Six ES/NFI Cluster projects were approved for the 1 <sup>st</sup> CHF round to preposition stocks, construction 500 transitional shelters and provide cash for rent. The launch of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> CHF is expected soon and more details will be provided when made available by OCHA  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Share detailed information with all partners of 1<sup>st</sup> CHF projects including exact location, targeted population as well as stocks</b></li> <li>-</li> </ul>	Cluster Coordinator	22 June 2017
The development of a SOP for the management of the Cluster Common Stocks (under the 1 <sup>st</sup> CHF) is underway. The SOP will include the approval of the distribution report by the Regional Focal before Custodian Agency uploads to Reporthub.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Finalize SOP in consultation with the SAG and share with the partners</b></li> </ul>	Coordinator	19 June 2017



<p>The Regional Coordination Mechanisms includes cluster representation at the Provincial Level to support effective coordination of ES/NFIs activities</p> <p>- <b>Share contacts of Provincial Focal Points with all partners at the field</b></p>	Regional Focal Points	22 June 2017
<p>The Cluster Retreat is scheduled for the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of July to review achievements, gaps, challenges and plan for the rest of year. This will inform the HRP mid-term review expected to be completed and submitted to OCHA on 20 July 2017. As part of the preparedness, Regional Focal Points in coordination with the partners to review the targets per province and make recommendations during the Retreat.</p> <p>- <b>Share dates for the Retreat and the Cluster HRP achievements against the Targets as of May 2017 with all partners</b></p>	Cluster Coordination Team	19 June 2017
<p><b>Brief on the situation in the North East/North including preparedness and response measures (conflict &amp; natural disaster)</b></p>	<b>Who</b>	<b>When</b>
<p>Response to both conflict and natural disaster affected ongoing in the Northeast and Northern areas with an estimated total of 25,950 individuals assisted by the Cluster with cash and material support against 29,516 individuals assessed in Kunduz, Takhar, Baghlan, Badakhshan, Samangan, Balkh and Jwzjan Provinces during the month of May 2017.</p> <p>Assistance is ongoing while some individuals assessed were found not to be in need of shelter and NFI assistance. The major challenges highlighted included humanitarian access due to insecurity, the petition system relating to the inclusion of individuals not affected or may not be in need, one incident of two trucks with blankets reportedly seized by unknown armed men enroute to Kandahar while accountability concerns by donors restrict some partners to respond if they are not part of assessments.</p>		



<p>Additionally, given that the interagency rapid assessment tool (HEAT) is at household level, less than 500 families are able to be assessed daily resulting to delay in the response to the immediate needs. A mechanism is needed to speed up assessment using the tool, especially for large displacement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Follow-up with the Assessment Working about the challenge of the HEAT while the need of regular updates on the situation and response were highlighted</b></li> </ul>	Cluster Coordination	Ongoing
<p>Regarding the current stocks, reports from the North/North East Regions indicate sufficient stocks and capacity to respond at the moment. However, the May 2017 stock updates on Reporthub does not reflect this level of capacity as only IOM has updated their stocks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Update current stocks of May 2017 on reporthub to provide more clarity on the situation including advocacy for resources to address identified gaps.</b></li> </ul>	All partners	Immediately
<p>As per the historical data and experience of past years, flooding is expected in July through September 2017 and this require sufficient preparedness. Also, there is an increase in the number of population affected by Natural disaster from Jan - June 2017 as compared to the same period in 2017. (2016= 8,880 families/ (53,000 ind, 2017=15,300 families (/107,000 ind)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Share the analysis with the Cluster including specific locations expected to be affected by flooding</b></li> <li>- <b>Review stock levels, update the preparedness and response plan in</b></li> </ul>	<p>IOM</p> <p>All partners &amp; Regional Focal</p>	<p>19 June 2017</p> <p>23 June 2017</p>



<p><b>coordination with the government at provincial level in the expected flood affected and high displacement locations. Inform the operational partners about existing gaps and the National Cluster Coordination Team</b></p>	Points/Co-Chair	
<p>Reports of ongoing displacement in Eastern Region as a result of conflict. The Cluster is monitoring the displacement situation and will provide updates to the Cluster Partners. So far, an assessment is ongoing for a reported 2,700 individuals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Review stock level, preparedness and response capacity in the Region and especially in the affected Province. Share the update with the National Cluster.</b></li> <li>- <b>Share update with the Cluster on the situation</b></li> </ul>	<p>All partners/Regional Focal Points/Co-Chair</p> <p>Cluster Coordination</p>	<p>23 June 2017</p> <p>Regularly</p>
<b>Brief on IM related issues and follow-up</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>When</b>
<p>The following key points were discussed and follow-up requested during the IM brief:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- OCHA Q1 Report</li> <li>- Operational ES/NFI website</li> <li>- Assessment / PDM registry</li> <li>- Streamlined communication platform</li> <li>- FTS and Financial Reporting</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Follow-up actions related to IM issues:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ES/NFI Cluster shares link to the OCHA Q1 report</li> <li>- Re-share the link of the operational ES/NFI website, what populates information on, <i>a) reporting &amp; deadlines, b) guidance documents</i></li> <li>- Share the link of the online submission platform to register Assessments and PDMs</li> </ul>	<p>ES/NFI Cluster</p> <p>ES/NFI Cluster IMO</p> <p>ES/NFI Cluster IMO</p>	<p>15 June 2017</p> <p>15 June 2017</p> <p>15 June 2017</p>



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Share lessons learned based on the present testing of the communication tool</li> <li>- Raise the question at the next ICCT to have the ReportHub financial reporting linked automatically to FTS</li> </ul>	ES/NFI Cluster  Cluster Coordinator	Next ES/NFI Coordination Meeting Next ICCT Meeting
<b>Update on Returnees and Response Capacity</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>When</b>
<p>From Jan - 06 June 2017, a total of 32,177 refugee returnees (documented) were received in Afghanistan through the UNHCR Centers. About 98% of returnees were from Pakistan and 76% to Kabul, Nangarhar, Kunduz, Logar and Paktia Provinces in Afghanistan. UNHCR assisted all returnees with cash grant and other support.</p> <p>A total 1,888 undocumented Afghans returned or departed from Pakistan from 28 May - 03 June 2017. About 84 % of returnees from Pakistan (1,595 individuals) and 7% of returnees from Iran (416 individuals) assisted.</p> <p>925 families will be assessed (215 Kabul and 710 Nangarhar &amp; Kunar province) and verified families assisted with tents, solar, tarpaulin, family tent and cash by IOM in the coming weeks.</p> <p>From 22 March - 31 May, IOM distributed 351,531 cash grants for transportation to 1,707 returned families from Pakistan</p> <p>Following the deactivation of the R&amp;R Chapter, it was agreed that all sectoral response to returnees at the reception be reported through the clusters as of 01 July 2017. Only the cash grants provided by UNHCR and IOM will be reported under the R&amp;R chapter in the HRP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Cluster requested regular updates including sex and age disaggregated data on refugee (Documented) returnees.</b></li> </ul>	UNHCR	Regularly



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Hold bilateral discussion with the three partners regarding the integration of R&amp;R Chapter ES/NFI activities into the Cluster’s response.</b></li> <li>- <b>Partners requested the inclusion of sex and age disaggregated data on undocumented returnees in the regular updates</b></li> </ul>	<p>Cluster Coordinator</p> <p>IOM</p>	<p>12 – 15 June 2017</p> <p>Regularly</p>
<b>AOB</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>When</b>
<p>Instead of the regular monthly ESNFI Cluster Coordination Meeting, there will be a two days Cluster Retreat tentatively on <b>11-12 July 2017</b> to discuss achievements, lessons learned including challenges and forecast for the rest of the year.</p> <p>- <b>The tentative Agenda and confirmed date will be available on the <a href="http://sheltercluster.org">sheltercluster.org</a> <a href="#">Events sub-page</a> following review by the SAG for feedback and comments</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Share all relevant documents including achievements against HRP ES/NFI targets with all partners in preparation for the Retreat.</b></li> </ul> <p>The ES/NFI Cluster participated in the Field testing of the Gender Handbook organized by UN Women and OXFAM in Afghanistan. Inputs on NFIs were shared and will be incorporated. <b>Updated information will be shared with the Cluster as soon as it is available</b></p> <p>The National Cluster Coordination Team received reports that some partners in the field do not participate in the Cluster meetings which is intended to share information, identify gaps and strategize a coordinated response actions. <b>All partners were encouraged to coordinate with the Regional Focal Points and contribute to such discussions and forum.</b></p>	<p>Cluster Coordination Team</p> <p>Cluster Coordination Team</p> <p>Cluster Coordination Team</p> <p>All partners in the field</p>	<p>05 July 2017</p> <p>20 June – 09 July 2017</p> <p>As soon as information is available</p> <p>Regularly as required</p>



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