

Shelter Cluster Meeting
Date: 11th September, 2015
Time: 10:00 – 11:30 am
Venue: UNHCR, Sub Office Peshawar

Minutes

1) Introduction:

The meeting was chaired by the Shelter Cluster Coordinator. The meeting started with a brief introduction of the participants and later on the agenda points were discussed in detail. The list of meeting participant is attached.

2) Updates on the return plan to the end of 2015 – FDMA:

Return figures for NWA and Khyber Agency are as per plan. Another RTF has taken place and the return for Kurram and Orakzai agencies will start soon. FDMA updated the forum that the return figures for NWA, SWA and Khyber agency are as per plan. However there is a little bit diversion in the return plan for Kurram & Orakzai Agencies. It was decided in the Return Task Force meeting (Sept 2, 2015) that the return of IDP families for Kurram and Orakzai Agency will start tentatively from September 29. So far, 60,000 case load have been returned to Khyber, 27,000 to NWA & 7000 to SWA. During the discussion, it was brought to notice of the forum that there are negligible shelter damages in Bar Qamber Khel (BQK) so there is no need of shelter assessment in that area. FDMA mentioned that although there are less shelter damages but if any partner having projects/funds for BQK can consult shelter cluster/FDMA and discuss for their intervention in the area.

3) Return Activities update (FRD, SRSP and CRDO):

FRD provided updates on their intervention in Bara and SWA for Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the shelter cluster planned activities. In Bara & SWA, FRD was part of the joint assessment conducted by Shelter Cluster. They conducted the assessment based on the vulnerability criteria set by Shelter Cluster and distributed vouchers for tents, toolkits and NFIs. As part of Phase 2, FRD started the preparation and procurement for the phase two assistance (provision of roof kits). Priority will be given to those families who were identified as the most vulnerable in Phase 1 assessment. In New Durrani camp, FRD will be constructing 82 tented shelters for 82 families of Ali Sherzai tribe this year (procurement is in progress).

CRDO informed the forum that they were also part of the joint assessment conducted by Shelter Cluster in Bara and so far they have distributed 4000 NFIs which were provided by IOM. CRDO has plans to be part of the assessment for next tribe in Bara. They have conducted meetings with security agencies. According to the feedback from them there is security risk in the area and door to door assessment is not possible. Therefore, CRDO suggested to conduct assessment at the embarkation point. Shelter Cluster & FDMA did not agree to the plan of conducting assessment at the embarkation point because it is not possible to conduct shelter damage and vulnerability assessment at the embarkation point. Therefore, CRDO should not proceed with this approach and shelter assessment must be conducted by door-to-door visits in the area of origin. A separate meeting will be conducted with CRDO regarding this issue.

SRSP representatives were not present in the meeting. Silva briefed the meeting participant of their intervention in Bara & SWA. SRSP was part of the Phase 1 assessment and distribution in Bara and SWA. As part of the Phase 2 shelter activities, SRSP is conducting the assessment in Sararogha Tehsil of SWA to provide roofing material to the most vulnerable families.

4) Cluster Members Update:

ACTED updated the forum about their projects. In Tirrah valley, they will be constructing 1800 shelters & provide shelter tool kits to the IDP families which will also include training regarding shelter construction & DRR. The assessment has been completed for this project. ACTED will provide 270 shelter roofing material to the IDPs of Bara which is funded by PHPF (ERF).

RABT informed the forum that they were part of the joint assessment conducted by shelter cluster for Shalobar (Bara) as part of Phase 1 activities. Shelter cluster appreciated RABT for being part of the assessment in Bara, although they did not have any project/funds for the task.

Cesvi updated the forum about their PHPF funded project in Bara. Cesvi will provide 390 shelter roofing material to the IDPs of Bara. Cesvi have got project NOC while travel NOC for staff is still awaited. FDMA mentioned that they will follow up on the travel NOC.

MHI updated the forum about their project in Bannu, DIK & Lakki Marwat where they will construct 1800 transitional shelters for NWA IDP families. They have completed assessment for the project. The project owner is UN-Habitat. So far 250 shelters have constructed.

PRDS is currently working on the PHPF funded project in Bara where they will provide 280 shelter roofing material to the IDP families. PRDS have got both project & travel NOCs. So far they have conducted assessment in 4 villages (90 beneficiaries identified) for phase 2 intervention.

PREPARED updated the forum that they are currently working in 8 Union Councils in Bannu where they will construct 2,530 transitional shelters for the IDP families under CRS funding. Registration for 2219 shelters have been completed. 652 shelter material have been distributed and so far 300 shelters have been constructed. CCCM coordinator appreciated their intervention in Spontaneous Camps at Bannu Link Road where they distributed 1500 NFIs. He suggested that PREPARED should follow Sphere standards while giving the layout of the shelters. The shelters constructed are very good, however door position, location of the shelter etc for some shelters was not as per Sphere standard.

In reply colleagues from PREPARED explained the following regarding the comments from CCCM coordinator

PREPARED/CRS shelter are fully compliant to the SPHERE minimum standards. PREAPRED is conducting a proper settlement planning for these shelters. There were only 27 shelters out of total 2,465 constructed shelters in our previous (phase-I) project which the communities rebuilt near the river bank (Damay Bridge area). Those shelters were originally constructed on different safer locations, but later on households themselves reconstructed it near the river bank. However, in the second project (Phase-II) where these additional 2,530 shelter are just completed, these issues were resolved and no targeted beneficiary households were allowed to construct at hazardous location.

Shelter Door Position: During our construction, the demo shelters are being constructed and the feedback were taken from the beneficiaries both direct beneficiaries and host communities etc. Doors' location are always flexible and if the HH want to position it on the long wall or short wall depending upon the shelter location and ensuring their privacy etc, their suggestion and consultation are taken care of. So all the doors locations are based on hh suggestion and opinion.

OCHA mentioned that Protection working group in Bannu have identified 54 families on Link Road Lakki District and they do not fall in Bannu. Since PREPARED has their project approved for Bannu only, is there a possibility to provide assistance to those families of Lakki District. PREPARED mentioned that their assistance is based on vulnerability criteria and not the District. PREPARED will check with the donor if funds/resources could be transferred to that region.

EHSAR updated the forum about their PHPF funded project in Bara. EHSAR will provide 250 shelter roofing material to the IDPs of Bara. They have got both project & travel NOCs. They have received the beneficiaries list from Shelter Cluster who were identified as the most vulnerable families during the Phase 1 shelter assessment and will assist them in Phase 2. They informed the forum that their activities are being suspended till September 14 due to security situation in the area.

5) IVAP Presentation- New Strategy:

Manahil Rauf delivered a presentation to the forum and is attached. IVAP mentioned to the forum that their nature of job is assessing the data of IDPs in the area of displacement and doing profiling.

6) AOB

Shelter Cluster has taken an initiative to find out who needs training, what kind of training, who can provide training. An email was sent to all the partners but only a few responded. Silva will circulate the email again for the training. Shelter Cluster has offers from Global Shelter Cluster and IVAP to deliver trainings to the partners.

Action point: mail for the training will be circulated again and the partners needs to provide their inputs, to be complied then a training plan will be consolidated by the shelter cluster.

In the last ICCM meeting it was agreed that each cluster will conduct a Desk Review of assessments conducted in 2014 & 2015 to identify the gaps or needs for more assessment as part of 2016 planning process. The request was sent to all the IPs to provide information but the response was just from few, cluster members are requested to be more active as cluster members and take their part in the cluster work.

The reporting of 4Ws and Mid-Year monitoring review have different beneficiary figures. The IPs should pay more attention and try to provide accurate figures without duplication. A training session of 4Ws will be arranged by UNHCR Data management unit, on the way to provide the information in 4Ws and will invite the cluster members.

There was a general discussion on vetting of projects from cluster. Shelter cluster coordinator informed the forum that not all the projects are received by the cluster for vetting, sometimes cluster is not in the loop. This makes it difficult for the cluster to plan for need identification, gaps

and responses in the respective areas. FDMA suggested that partners should follow the cluster approach and come to the cluster before submitting any proposal to the donor. Vetting form cluster should be received for all new projects and extensions.

FDMA to ensure that the documents have the cluster vetting before provision of NOC.

Meeting adjourned: 11:20 a.m.