

Meeting notes

Shelter Technical Working Group Meeting, Katmandu

5 May 2015

Attendance:

CARE, Swiss RC, Save the children, IOM, UNHCR, Medair, IFRC FACT, DfID.

Shelter kits - current Kit list shared with working group.

Action:

SAG to review prioritisation and number of blankets per HH: Tarpaulins, CGI and Blankets

Issue:

Shelter kits currently include 2 x blankets per HH. Suggested moving this to up to 5 per hh, especially in colder areas.

Messaging:

Overall target of messaging discussed. Most posters to date are more targeted at humanitarian workers that affected populations. They should be accompanied with demonstrations wherever possible.

Action: meeting at NSET 2pm on construction messaging

Handout / posters	Primary Audience	Issue	Who	status
Fixing plastic tarpaulin	humanitarian workers conducting distributions	- not all of details relevant to less windy locations - nailing can reduce re-usability of sheet..	V1 complete	V1 Complete. And translated Subject to revision
Tarpaulins: making them last longer	humanitarian workers conducting distributions and affected populations	- Merge with key messages from above	RC	Contextualised Draft pending from IFRC
Prepare for the rains	humanitarian workers and affected populations	- add sandbags options (depending on sites) - add divert run off	RC	Contextualised Draft pending from IFRC
Safety around damaged structures	Humanitarian workers		CARE / disaster waste	Add communicate with neighbours prior to demolitions
Seismic methods	Mass information campaigns Information for affected		NSET. other partners?	Existing posters to be promoted

Seismic engineering bibliography.

- ACTION: Draft developed to be shared for comment and then shared more broadly

Transitional and recovery solutions

ACTION : SC team to draft detail on different recovery options

ACTION : SC team to discuss coordination options with early recovery cluster

ACTION : SAG to discuss per household level of support (cost) for recovery shelter. Based on assistance in form of XXX CGIS, XXX bamboos and fixings.\

Need for technical support and pilots on retrofit as matter of urgency

Note many discussions ongoing here. Notes :

- Emergency relief. Reality is that very limited delivery to date of tarpaulins and key NFIs. Main figures are for planned pipeline and cannot forget that delivery still needs to be prioritised.
- Need to retain focus on principle objective of saving lives and protecting people from the elements.
- Potentially different approaches required for different locations – depending on construction methods
- Market based approaches of interest, but need to be clear on primary recovery objectives which include safer shelter. Need to be clear on who we are supporting with market based approaches and their vulnerabilities (or otherwise).
- There will be increasing pressure at district level to provide CGI and material support for reconstruction
- Strategic approach and level of support for transitional shelter and other approaches will depend on government planning re-reconstruction funding, likelihood of large scale reconstruction funding, and duration of emergency funding windows..
- In any case it is certain that some transitional shelters will be needed given likely long term recovery needs – TWIG needs to work on consistent guidance for these (price, size and performance)
- Regional reconstruction centres on Pakistan model likely approach.