

## Minutes of Shelter/CCCM/NFI Cluster Meeting

**Venue:** UNHCR Office in Sana'a.

**Date/Time:** Sunday, August 30, 2015 at 10:00.

**Participants:** ADO, ADRA, AlAman organization for blind woman care, Barran Humane Cultural Foundation, Civil Confederacy, CSSW, EXU, HFY, Horia Abass AlMoaid Foundation for Development, IOM, Life makes hope, NFDHR, NRC, ODF, RI, Sama AlYemen, Sanabel AlFalah, Seeds Association, SSD, UNHCR, Yemen Development Network for NGOs, YRC, ZOA

Agenda	Issues discussed	Action required
<b>Review of minutes and action points from previous meeting</b>	YRC report of the available NFIs/Shelter stocks was not shared with the cluster.	The Cluster to follow up with YRC to share the Shelter/NFIs stocks available in their branches.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The updated draft strategy 2015 to be shared with partners for comments.</li> <li>- SOPs/Criteria for the distribution of NFIs and Emergency Shelters assistance and the provision of cash for rental subsidies.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Cluster draft strategy 2015 will be shared with cluster partners on Tuesday for comments and by next meeting it will be presented for endorsement.</li> <li>- SOPs are still pending</li> </ul>
	The Cluster will share the NFIs Post/Impact distribution monitoring tool with partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Cluster will share the PDM tool after the meeting with the request to provide the cluster with the individual agency plan.</li> <li>- Partners are expected to share their PDM plan with the cluster.</li> <li>- The Cluster will compile the plan and facilitate the process.</li> </ul>
	Partners required to share information about their responses since the beginning of March till the 31 <sup>st</sup> of August by Wednesday (2 <sup>nd</sup> of September).	The Cluster will follow up with cluster partners.
	Cluster team along with HFY to follow up with ICRC on the areas covered and planning to cover in the coming week in Taiz.	Done.



	<p>HFY, WETHAQ and Seeds Association to ensure proper coordination on the lists of beneficiaries and the targeted areas in AIDhale'e.</p>	Done.
	<p>Shelter/CCCM/NFIs Cluster, Protection Cluster, Education Cluster, UNHCR, IOM, YRC, ExU, Hope of Life and SSD to meet with the relevant authorities to find solutions for IDPs in schools and to update partners in the next regular cluster meeting.</p>	Done.
	<p>Cluster team will share the cluster one-page assessment registry.</p>	Pending.
	<p>Gender session will be organized this week for interested Shelter/CCCM/NFIs partners.</p>	Done.
<b>Update on the cluster strategy for 2015</b>	<p>The Cluster draft strategy 2015 will be shared with cluster partners on Tuesday for comments and by next meeting it will be presented for endorsement.</p>	
<b>CERF</b>	<p>The Cluster Coordinator briefed about the expected CERF. The fund has 10-15 million which will be available for life-saving clusters.</p>	<p>The Cluster will discuss with OCHA the possibility of conducting training on the GMS for partners.</p>
<b>Partners Update</b>	<p><b>YRC:</b> raised an observation that the interventions provided to IDPs in Hajjah particularly covers NFIs only but the health or livelihood needs are not covered. He mentioned that in order to ensure the continuity of projects, sphere standard should be ensured. Additionally, he mentioned that YRC has opened new branch in AlMaharah. He added that their teams are conducting assessments in various governorates and the results will be shared with the cluster.</p> <p><b>RI:</b> has projects in Amran, Sana'a and Hajjah Governorates. She mentioned that working in Hajjah is very challenging due to the heavy airstrikes which require the support of the de-confliction cell. The Cluster Coordinator advised RI and other partners who require de-confliction support to coordinate with the cluster to facilitate the process or to plan for a convoy if needed.</p>	<p>YRC will share detailed information on the gap/challenges of assistance from the Shelter/CCCM/NFIs Cluster and other clusters in the district level and the cluster will raised them in the upcoming ICCM.</p>

	<p><b>NRC:</b> has serious concern over the provision of rental subsidies since it is costly and not sustainable. He suggested to the cluster to develop a plan or kind-of concept note on the alternative sustainable shelter solutions for the IDPs other than the rental subsidies.</p> <p><b>Sanabel AlFalalah:</b> has provided 7 IDPs Families in Sana'a city with about USD\$70 on monthly basis and currently they are looking for a source of fund to ensure the continuity of their project.</p>	
<p><b>Distribution Plans</b></p>	<p>Cluster team will develop a simple form in order for partners to share their planned activities in the form before the next meeting.</p>	
<p><b>IDPs in schools</b></p>	<p>Cluster Coordinator briefed participants on the meeting held with the Deputy Minister of Education, education authorities, Capital Secretariat, Executive Unit and other actors with the Shelter/CCCM/NFIs Cluster, Education Cluster and Protection Cluster to find a solution for IDPs residing in schools. He mentioned that the authorities are pushing for rental subsidies also it was agreed to establish small technical working group to find other solutions. Unfortunately the technical working group again concluded the recommendation and proposed again the rental subsidies. He mentioned that rental subsidies should be one of the solutions and not the only solution. He stated that we will continue to negotiate with the technical working group and the bigger forum to find better solutions such as livelihood, alternative accommodation, etc. to balance not only the shelter and education prospective but also the human rights aspect. He added that the cluster partners will be involved in all stages.</p> <p><b>Life Makers:</b> conducted consultation sessions with IDPs residing in two schools (Nusaiba and AlZubair schools) in Sana'a city to get their views in the possible alternative shelter solutions. She mentioned that IDPs do not prefer to be displaced in camps due to the critical security situation in the country also they refused the idea of rental subsidy for short term since they will be left without shelter in the end of the project. She added that IDPs prefer to be provided with income-generation projects and sustainable shelter solution or to be provided with rental subsidies for one year.</p>	



	<p><b>Executive Unit for IDPs:</b> has briefed about the recommendation of the small technical working group which stands on providing rental subsidies for 4 months, food baskets and income-generation projects for IDPs residing in schools. He admitted that this solution is not sustainable but the families will relay on themselves by the end of the project.</p> <p><b>RI:</b> has suggested to support IDPs to rehabilitate their damaged houses, provision of cash for work (i.e. for harvesting) and the clearance of landmines mentioning the example of Raydah district in Ammran. Cluster Coordinator replied that the return is voluntary and the cluster will not advice IDPs to return to conflict areas also the cash for harvesting could be discussed with the food cluster.</p> <p><b>Seeds Association:</b> added his voice to the ExU points. He mentioned it is importance of finding the causes of the displacement in schools.</p> <p>Cluster Coordinator asked partners who has available funding for rental subsidies. NRC has funds for about 1,300 HHs in Hajjah, Dhamar, Abyan and Amran Governorates and ADRA for 60 HHs in Sana’a city.</p> <p><b>IOM:</b> has highlighted that the rental subsidies should not be the only solution for IDPs residing in schools and the cluster to develop a list of possible solutions.</p> <p><b>Horia Association:</b> has proposed the consultation with the Ministry of Awqaf since they have vacant buildings which could accommodated the IDPs who are currently residing in schools.</p> <p><b>Life Makers:</b> has provided 22 HHs who were residing in Adhban school with cash for rent (150,000 YR).</p>	
<p><b>CNAP Indicators</b></p>	<p>The Cluster will share the previous Common Needs Assessment Platform (CNAP) indicators for comments by today close of business. The final indicators to be shared with OCHA.</p>	
<p><b>AOB</b></p>	<p><b>Inter-agency convoy to Taiz, Ibb and AIdhale’e</b></p> <p>Cluster Coordinator mentioned that this convoy is still at the planning stage. The movement of the first convoy to Ibb and Taiz is expected in the coming two days. UNHCR is contributing 16,000 NFIs kits (6,000 kits for Taiz, 4,000 for Ibb and 6,000 for AIdhale’e) which will be distributed by HFY, YRC and SHS.</p>	<p>Partners interested to join the convoy can share their plan with the cluster after the meeting.</p> <p>Partners were advised to share in bullet points the completed activities and</p>



	<p><b>Regularity of Cluster meetings</b></p> <p>Cluster Coordinator was proposing the shift of the cluster meetings from bi-weekly to weekly basis. Partners expressed their recommendation to keep the meeting on bi-weekly meeting due to the number of meeting which they have of participate in a week period.</p> <p><b>Hubs</b></p> <p>Cluster Coordinator introduced partners to the agreement of setting up 6 humanitarian hubs in the country. He has called partners interested to co-lead the cluster in one of the hubs to contact him depending the partner capacity in the ground.</p> <p><b>Cluster preparedness for the winter:</b></p> <p>IOM highlighted the importance of developing a plan for the cluster interventions during the winter session such as the provision of winterization package.</p>	<p>challenges before every cluster meeting.</p> <p>Cluster partners to update the cluster 3Ws and the collective centres and settlements templates.</p> <p>The Cluster to organize a technical working group meeting to discuss possible interventions during the winter session.</p>
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