

Education Sector Working Group (ESWG) Meeting 21st October 2013.

Time: 12: 14:00

Venue: UNICEF Conference Room, 2nd Floor

Chaired by: UNICEF (Maria Paradies)

Agenda:

1. Review of Minutes/ Action Points
2. Updates from education partners
3. RRP6 updates
4. Presentation
5. Transport support
6. Any other business

Minutes

1. Review of action points from previous meeting minutes

Minutes and action points from 23rd September were reviewed. With minor edit changes, the minutes were adopted by the group.

2. Updates from members

UNICEF reported an increase in double shifted schools to 50 with additional schools to be double shifted soon.

- Bassam (UNICEF) to share the list of the double shifted schools.
- Questscope to share locations of non-formal education centres.
- No lost generation document to be shared by Eugene
- Continued RRP6 data entry into the online platform

3. RRP6 updates

- Education RRP6 narrative draft has been shared with the ESWG members. The numbers on the platform do not reflect the true budget based on the information already entered into the online facility. The current narrative is based on RRP5 and will be revised to reflect the RRP6 structure.

4. Presentation

- Queen Rania Teacher Academy (QRTA) conducted a presentation on their teacher training on The Emergency Support to Safeguard Education Quality for Syrian Students in Jordan (presentation to me made available in the course of the week – UNESCO to revise before sharing)

5. Transport Issue

There are agencies planning to support education by transport and there should be a modality on how to go ahead. Creating an ad hoc working group might be useful to set criteria on how to provide transport support and how to select beneficiaries.

UNICEF

- Support to the children with disabilities is priority for UNICEF. UNICEF is specifically looking at transportation for children with disabilities to attend schools in Za'atari camp.
- UNICEF highlighted the need for consistency in providing transportation to vulnerable population for schooling across partners and proposed to prepare a one page guidance note for actors seeking to provide similar service.

DRC

DRC is proposing to support 800 children to getting to school. A bus system is proposed for children that are far away from schools. For those children staying closer to school, a walking group is proposed amongst the children to reduce tension. The target group are people who have been assessed from home and are unable to attend school.

- This is a broader strategy of reducing child labour within the population
- In absence of other service providers for housing, clothes etc., a portion of emergency cash would be used to cover cases like that.
- There is also a proposed conditional cash for school attendance and performance in school would be monitored.
- The bottom line is to focus attention to transport and limit cash grants.

TDH- Italy

- Planning to start having transport services in two localities
- Transport service will cover both Syrian and Jordanian students. Major focus will be on bus transport and no cash grants.
- A rapid assessments needs to be done to provide specific assistance to children with disabilities.
- Overall, there is an indication that distance is one of the factors making children not to go to school and this needs to be analysed in the next assessments.
- Action point – A one page document on criteria on transport assessment. A small group to a transport criteria analysis

AOB

1. Host community platform
 - There has been a proposal to establish different taskforces to establish the impacts of Syrian community on the Jordanian population. These task forces are : Health, Education, WASH, Municipality and Livelihood

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- National Resilience Plan by UNDP to look into impacts. A quick analysis on needs assessment to look into the capacity of the governments to respond. Deadline for the report is 10th November. Education Sector is expected to complete their desk review by 31st October using the already available education assessment.
- 2. NRC Youth sports
 - Action plan has been developed and will be shared. New coaching training has started and certification will be done at the end.
- 3. IOCC: School uniform distribution to students in Za'atari will be done on 23rd October 2013 and agencies willing to participate in the process to provide names for security purposes. The issuance of uniform will be based on

ACTION points

- UNESCO's presentation to be shared when the final version is made available from Jennifer.
- A small working group for transport to be established

Next meeting to be held at the Ministry of Education on 4th November 2013. A presentation on the agencies that participated in the RRP5 process will be made by Maria Paradies (Education Sector Coordinator)