



Meeting Minutes 28.06.2016

**UNHCR BO Amman, Jordan
EMOPS Room**

Agencies present: ARDD-Legal Aid, ACTED, IRC, Medair, UN-WOMEN, UNFPA, PU-AMI, IMC, SDC, WVI and UNHCR.

Agenda:

- 1) Approval of Minutes and Agenda
- 2) Agency Updates and Announcements – All agencies
- 3) Updates on Recent Developments
- 4) GBV Minimum Standards in Emergencies – UNFPA
- 5) Zaatari Strategic Plan SGBV component
- 6) AOB

Agenda items	Discussion	Action points	Responsible Agency
Approval of Minutes and Agenda	<p>Partner's request of membership in the NCFA: UNFPA updated members about the request from some organizations (mainly UN Women and IFH) after the NCFA presentation last SGBV SWG meeting to become permanent members of the committee. And to check the possibility of joining. If yes can you kindly explain us the process of doing so? The following reply was obtained from NCFA Technical Committee prior to the meeting, and communicated to the members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This technical committee was established based on a decision from the National Team for Family Protection from Violence, which is the official body that guides and supervises all work related to family violence at the national level in Jordan. According to the National Team's bylaw of 2016, it is allowed to establish sub-committees from its members and other members to follow up on certain matters or tasks related to family protection from violence. To this effect, the three current member agencies in this committee (UNHCR, UNICEF and UNFPA) were selected in specific as they are representing the rest of the agencies being the co-chairs of the S-GBV ad CP sub-working groups. Yet, any other agency could be invited to kindly attend the committee's meetings as relevant/needed. • Having representatives from UNICEF, UNFPA and UNHCR (the co-chairs of the S-GBV and CP sub-working groups), it is believed to ensure effective line of communication between S-GBV, CP and this committee. • The committee is newly established and currently is in the process of developing its annual workplan which will be based on the objectives of the national strategic plan, and aligned with the SGBV and CP workplans. In the near future, the committee is planning to share its workplan with the S-GBV and CP sub-working groups once finalized. <p>Members of the SGBV Sub-Working Group raised their concern that members of the TC did not include a wider component of organizations, including possibly</p>		

	NGOs which may co-lead relevant Sector coordination Working or Sub-Working Groups.		
Agency Updates and Announcements – All agencies	<p>Azraq Update:</p> <p>Village 5 is currently full while village 2 is partially fenced, refugees who are cleared from security screening are moved to village 2 that will be fully occupied soon. Public area is full with around 2000 refugees.</p> <p>Last Azraq camp coordination meeting outcomes that it was decided not to open any new villages for the time being but rather focus on enhancing the capacities of the current villages (village 2 mainly)</p> <p>IMC: Village 5 is still providing medical support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The reception areas of IMC, IRC and NRC are full at the moment, and the procedures for allocation are very slow following the recent Alrukban incident and possibly other changes in the SRAD process. • IMC clinic is working as usual in village 5 but and we are on process to recruit new CMs for the new woman and girls center in village 5. • Reunification has begun for some of the screened refugees to village 3 and 6 from village 5 • As far for GBV, IMC has received early marriage and physical abuse cases. Access is possible for those new arrivals moved to Village 5, but services in the reception areas has been very limited. With high proportions of women and children in the newly-arrived population, needs are considered to be high and agencies making efforts to scale up services in all areas of Azraq, including fenced areas. <p>Situation at the Berm:</p> <p>Provision of the services to the population have been suspended since the attack incident, although water has been provided at a minimum to meet emergency needs. Advocacy is still on-going to be able to provide lifesaving (water, food) aid</p>		

	<p>to the people at the berm is still ongoing; water provision have been authorized with some challenges in delivery due to security concerns. Organizations that operate at the BERM are undertaking a security assessment trying to ensure appropriate levels of risk that would allow continued operations, while discussions continue with government on possible access, taking into account also government perspectives on security threats at the border area.</p>		
<p>GBV minimum standards in Emergencies</p>	<p>UNFPA presented UNFPA Minimum Standards for Prevention and Response to GBV in Emergencies. These standards were finalized in 2015 and launched early this year by UNFPA. The purpose is to introduce the “Minimum Standards for GBV in Emergencies”, which will allow an opportunity for organizations to apply the Minimum Standards in the context of their work here in Jordan.</p> <p>The concept of GBV in emergencies was briefed to members. The role of the UNFPA is to lead coordination of GBV emergencies, address GBV to all humanitarian actors and ways to enhance capacity of emergencies.</p> <p>Ultimately the purpose of the Standards is to promote the safety, health and well-being of women and girls in emergencies.</p> <p>To achieve this goal, the Minimum Standards provide a set of 18 inter-connected standards that define what UNFPA staff and partners can do to address GBV. The Standards include key actions, guidance notes, indicators and tools to prevent and mitigate gender-based violence in emergencies, and facilitate access to multi-sector response services for survivors.</p> <p>The standards were developed through a consultative process that involved review of existing materials on GBV, protection guidelines, and humanitarian standards, policies and research; consideration of case studies and good</p>	<p>Presentation to be circulated with members after the meeting</p>	<p>UNHCR</p>

	<p>practices in GBV programming; and consultation with staff and offices engaged around the world with GBV in emergencies.</p> <p>The standards relate to existing policies by Integrating inter-agency standards & guidelines (e.g. IASC GBV Guidelines, SPHERE Standards, Child protection Standards) and align with key UNFPA policies (e.g. UNFPA Strategic Plan, Humanitarian SOPs, UNFPA VAWG Essential Services Package etc.)</p> <p>The standards were divided into 3 categories: foundational standards, Prevention and response standards and operational standards. Members were briefed on the 18 the standards during the presentation, and relevant information was shared following the meeting.</p> <p>For further information please contact Thafer Alshawi (alshawi@unfpa.org) or visit www.unfpa.org/GBViEStandards for additional roll-out package material.</p>		
<p>Zaatari Strategic Plan – GBV Component</p>	<p>SGBV Sector coordinator briefed members on the latest updates of the Zaatari 3 years strategic development plan outcomes that was developed by the Protection WG and Zaatari CP/GBV SWG on SGBV related objective, activities and tasks.</p> <p>Members were divided into 3 groups that reviewed the GBV related component in the development plan and provided suggestions and comments to be communicated with the Protection WG/GBV SWG in Zaatari.</p>	<p>Sharing of inputs with Zaatari PWG/CP/SGBV groups.</p>	<p>UNHCR</p>

The next meeting will be on 31-07-2016 from 13:00 to 15:00 pm at UNHCR Khalda EMOPS Meeting Room.