

Minutes of Gambella Inter-Agency Task Force Meeting

UNHCR Sub-Office Conference Room, Gambella

Date: Friday 22 September, 2017

Time: 10:00 A.M.

Attendance: UNHCR, WFP, UNICEF, DRC, MSF Spain, ACF, HI, IRC, WVE, SCI, DCA/NCA, AA, NRC, ANE, IOM, Doctors with Africa, OXFAM, MSF Holland, PIE

- The meeting was chaired UNHCR OIC Head of Sub-Office Gambella Ms. Madeleine Tchabi in the absence of Mr. Philippe Creppy.

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<p>Opening Remarks by UNHCR, ARRA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNHCR OIC Head of Sub Officer, reported that the visit of the Irish Ambassador was a success and highly appreciates the support of the partners. The meeting reminded of Pamdong as the durable transit center to receive the new arrivals partners were urged to develop Pamdong. The floor was handed over to the Nutrition unite to discuss on some of their updates and findings of the Nutrition supportive mission during the visit by the Regional Nutrition and food security officer and Addis nutrition officer. The meeting was informed on the Workshop on NCA (Nutrition Case Analysis) which partners will be participating in all the activities to support the final output of the study. They reported that it is a multi-sectorial approach. The Regional and Addis Colleagues from who were on the recommended having an immediate medical /health screening during the registration of new arrivals. The meeting was asked why there was no food distribution for the new arrivals and also the shortage of HEBS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All partners to develop Pamdong as the permanent transit and reception point as well. 	<p>UNHCR, ARRA and Partners</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HOSO WFP responded by clarifying that ARRA stopped the food distribution until they identify the genuine refugees from recyclers. 		
Sectorial updates and current programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shelter colleagues continued focusing responding to the emergency in Nguenyiel It was reported that it has been manage to open additional pocket in Nguenyiel. 3000 shelters have already been constructed to respond to the emergency however the initial plan is to have 4000 shelters which the team will continue working for that. Shelter team is working continuously to decongest the class rooms, all schools to free by next week. However biggest challenge we are currently facing is the access to the road which is damaged due to the rainy season. Colleagues from the regional office suggested if there is a way where refugees don't have to cook in their tents as it will cause health problems. UNHCR Shelter officer responded that the matter will be discussed with partners for solutions and way forwards. UNHCR WASH Officer reported that they are working closely with OXFAM, IRC and ANE to make sure the need of the ware is addressed to the refugees. On this regards it has been agreed on IRC to increase the water by 45,000 ltr, ANE to bring additional 7 tracks, in which 4 tracks are already functioning and OXFAM to scale up the water points. It was noticed that there is a lack of drinking water point at the registration center in Pamdong. WASH colleagues to follow up on the drinking water at the registration. In Pamdong MSF Holland is currently providing clinical support 	<p>All partners to continue sensitizing refugee families for Assosa Gur-Shombolla</p> <p>All schools to free by next week</p> <p>Shelter team to have discussion among them self to find way for refugees to out of their tents.</p> <p>WASH colleagues to follow up on the drinking water at the registration.</p>	<p>Shelter Teams</p> <p>WASH Team</p>

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	<p>at the Metu way station is available for IOM to use as the CRIs are currently in a rented store. She emphasized that it will be good to use the store instead of paying rent and secure.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNHCR responded informing the forum that Pamdong will continue as the reception center and as for the warehouse UNHCR Shelter Officer explained that UNHCR has handed over the warehouse to ARRA. 		
Mission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DFID mission on 25 – 26 September 2017 		
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNHCR to refresh the contingency plan strategy and ways forward for 2018 		

The next meeting – partners to be informed.