

**Livelihoods & Resilience Sector Working Group (LRSWG) Meeting – 21<sup>st</sup> August 2024**

**Venue: UNHCR, Lion room and online**

**Agenda Items**

1. Communication from the co-chairs -10 minutes
2. Update on Q2 activity info reporting - 15 minutes (Festo, IM)
3. Climate Update – FAO (Peris)- 15 minutes
4. Presentation from Mercy Corp
5. UNHCR protection team presentation - 20 minutes (Vivian Achieng)
6. A.O.B & partner updates- 10 minute

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**Communications from the co-chairs**

UNHCR in collaboration with the LRSWG completed training of partners on beneficiary data collection using the assistance recording tool. The aim is to ensure that partners report on the actual households/individuals supported, including the kind of support they have received to minimize duplication of assistance and to support targeting by partners.

Partners are expected to share beneficiary data beginning in September 2024.

**SRI tool:** The Permanent secretary wrote to UBOS requesting for additional personnel to support the pretest and feedback is expected before the end of August. The pretest is expected to start in September. Once the tool is revised, the tool will be rolled out to other settlements. Partners were urged to support the roll out of the tool.

**GRF Pledges:** OPM is currently reviewing GRF pledges and progress made by partners toward realization of the pledges.

**Update on Q2 activity info reporting - 15 minutes (Festo, IM)**

Since 2024 Q1, 53 partners reported as detailed in the table below;

Region	Partners Reporting
West Nile	45
South West	15
Mid West	10
Urban	2

At USD 28.3 million funding reported by partners out of the required \$162M, there's still an 83% gap

**Climate change and rainfall patterns**

FAO presented a climate outlook during the LRSWG meeting indicating noticeable changes in amounts and intensity of rainfall across the country (Full presentation [here](#)). The bi-modal rainfall pattern has now changed to a noticeable Uni-modal rainfall pattern starting in March to October. The Whole of West Nile Sub region suffered from rainfall deficits in the first cropping season of March to May 2024. It is anticipated that the Southwest may suffer from rainfall deficits from June – August 2024.

Although Uganda National Meteorological Authority is going to provide a detailed advisory by the end of August, the LRSWG group advises partners and farmers to;

- Take advantage of current rain to plant drought resistant crops in areas anticipating rainfall deficit.
- Carry out anticipatory actions like clearing drainage systems, protecting water sources, reinforcing homes and improving field drainage.

### **Presentation from Mercy Corps**

Mercy corps made a presentation on DREAMS: Delivering Resilient Enterprises and Market Systems. Details in presentation [here](#)

### **UNHCR protection team presentation**

The UNHCR protection team made a presentation highlighting the need for collaboration between Complementary Pathways and Livelihoods programming to minimize duplication of efforts, and optimise resources.

### **AOB - 10 minutes**

LRSWG members that use the 'graduation model' including BRAC, AVSI, Village Enterprise, and Mercy Corps and WVI have formed a Community of Practice, and a steering committee has been constituted. The committee drafted the ToRs and disseminated them to relevant stakeholders for review. This is in line with the LRSWG strategy of establishing thematic groups to further strengthen coordination. The next meeting of the graduation group will be held at AVSI Office in Kampala on 2<sup>nd</sup> October.

### **Attendance**

#### **Physical**

1. Festo Muriisa, UNHCR
2. Ogwok Emmanuel, Mercy Corps
3. Ariong Godfrey, CRRF
4. Winnie Alum, WFP
5. Rolf Lienekogel, WFP
6. Okello Obong Felix UNHCR
7. Vivian Otieno – UNCHR
8. Peris Muchiri – FAO
9. Owere Ezekiel – Mercy corps
10. John Muhangi – Mercy corps
11. Charles Alemi – UNCHR
12. Gerald Emoyo – UNCHR

#### **Online**

13. Paul Mwirichia, World Vision
14. Adotu Daniel
15. Collins Adubango, UN Women
16. Bikie Isharaza, USAID/Uthabiti Activity - Save the Children
17. Ronald Wanyama, Action Against Hunger (ACF)  
Paul Wilson, World Vision UK
18. Patrick B Kanyeihamba (The African Youth Action Network) AYAN
19. Mesele Fitsum, ZOA
20. Grace Rukanda, LWF
21. Matilda Jerneck Salem, UNHCR and CWG
22. Agaba Anthony, IRC
23. Jackson RICE West Nile
24. Patrick Langoya - World Vision URR
25. Christine Nandora - Save the children
26. Peter Adori – UNHCR
27. Martina Starace CESVI
28. Peter Dema-DRC Uganda

29. Isaac Rwotungeyo - War Child Canada
30. Magdalene Amujal - Kulika Uganda
31. Jerry Chamayi-FRC Uganda
32. Zedek Malile – NRC
33. Henry Ambayo- Senior Program Officer- World Vision Uganda
34. Patrick B Kanyeihamba (AYAN)
35. Emmanuel Pacoto, JICA Uganda office
36. Raymond Mukisa - Programme Manager, UNDP
37. Anne Nyambane-FAO
38. Benon Gumoshabe, World Vision, Project Manager SUPREME Project.
39. Timothy Olum Ojwi, Project Manager Lutheran World Federation
40. Zawedde Flavia\_ Monitoring and Evaluation Officer \_IITA \_Uganda
41. Moses Okure-LM
42. Jimmy James kokedieny – DRC
43. Amaniyo Hope Gloria- World Vision Uganda
44. Rose Nyatsambo - World Vision UK
45. Odumna Joseph - Finn Church Aid, Uganda
46. Felix MUTWE: Caritas International Belgium

	<p>47. Alex Igel, Economist, British High Commission</p> <p>48. Atibo Christopher, Uganda Climate Smart Jobs (UCSJ) Programme</p> <p>49. Kevin Aciro-Save the Children</p> <p>50. John Muhangi-ALIGHT</p> <p>51. Lubega Paul - JICA</p> <p>52.</p>
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