

NFI Sector Coordination Group – Meeting Action Points –9 September 2013, Beirut

Meeting			
Name	NFI Sector Coordination Group	Meeting Date	9/9/2013
Meeting Location	UNHCR	Meeting Time	12:00 P.M
Chair person(s)	Charles Higgins - Senior Supply/Distribution Officer	Meeting Duration	1 hour 30 min
Minutes Prepared by	Malak Rahal		
Purpose of Meeting	Coordinate NFI assistance provided to newcomers, unregistered and registered refugees		

1.	Situation Update (latest figures)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Current situation: 722,871 registered and awaiting registration. - The lowest waiting period for registration is in South (15 days); the average waiting period in all Lebanon is 42 days.
2.	NFI Winterization Assistance
	<p><u>Vulnerable registered refugees (found through VASyR) living at higher altitudes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Take current population above 500m in elevation (255,476); - Allow for growth between mid-Aug – end Dec (x 1.75); - Apply VASyR criteria to ProGres (69%) 291,000 / 58,200 HH. <p><u>Any refugee (registered or unregistered) in the worst shelters:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Informal Tented Settlements (ITS) & collective shelters; - Estimated max. population 100,000 by end Dec; - Exclude those who receive the package because vulnerable registered living >500m: 10,500 individuals, leaving 89,500 / 17,900 HH to be assisted in ITS and collective shelters. <p><u>Persons with Special Needs & other special cases:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Allow all areas a contingency of 10% = 69,500 / 13,900 HH; <p>Total caseload is therefore 58,200 + 17,900 + 13,900 = 90,000 HH. The real challenge in winterization is Bekaa area where there are so many refugees and agencies, as well as the largest number in ITS.</p> <p><u>Winterization Partner Coordination Map (attached):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The map is a planning tool for winterization. It will be uploaded on the web-portal. - Red colour: areas above 500 m – the darker the shade of red, the more HH in need of winterization - Blue colour: each tent symbol represents an ITS. - Grey colour: areas below 500 m in elevation, which can still be assisted using the 10% 'safety margin'. <p><u>Action points:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UNHCR Info Management will update the map on an ongoing basis, and can be downloaded from the Web Portal. UNHCR will provide partners with the direct link to the map. - UNHCR Programme to meet with UNHCR IPs to confirm their caseload and implementation modality. - UNHCR Area Offices to meet with IPs and CPs in their areas, to coordinate implementation so that no targeted HH is omitted, and no one receives assistance twice.
3.	Contingency Plan

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agreed planning scenario: Intense but localized clashes in Syria or limited airstrikes result in a sudden influx to Lebanon of up to 30,000 individuals per day, lasting for at least a few days and resulting in a doubling of the normal monthly influx to 150,000 per month, would trigger the emergency response. <p><u>Action points :</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UNHCR to send the NFI matrix to area offices for an update on any progress with the assigned tasks. - UNHCR to request all agencies implementing newcomers programmes to submit their contingency plans and stock levels to deal with a mass influx.
4.	RRP6
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A tool for a common strategy, advocacy and fund raising. - There will be a Regional workshop in Amman for sector coordinators on 11-12 Sep. - Sector leads launch process with working groups 23 Sep. - Country plans by 4 November. - Global launch mid-December. - Steering committee to oversee the process, with the following participants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Government ✓ UN Agencies ✓ NGOs - RRP6 will cover the whole year of 2014 and will target: Syrians in camps and non-camp situations and Lebanese host communities. - An assessment will be done with World Bank on the effect of the Syrian refugee crisis on the Lebanese economy. <p><u>Action point :</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Follow up and report on the progress of the World Bank assessment. - UNHCR and NGOs to come up with any lessons learned from the RRP5. - A meeting to be scheduled with NFI partners before end-Sep to launch preparation of RRP6.
5.	NFI Sector WG Terms of Reference
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The objective of the NFI Sector Working Group (WG) is to coordinate the Non-Food Item (NFI) relief response and define the policy by all agencies active in the overall humanitarian effort for the Syrian refugee crisis in all parts of Lebanon. <p><u>Action point :</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Partners should report to their NFI (newcomer) distributions, up till end Aug (per month and cumulative since the beginning of the year, to respective Area Office focal points, cc'ing Jad Ghosn (ghosn@unhcr.org) and Charles Higgins (higgins@unhcr.org).
8.	AOB & Next Meeting
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next NFI coordination meeting is scheduled from 9:30-11:00 A.M on Monday 14 Oct, at UNHCR's premises (2nd floor meeting room in the new Lea Building, around the corner from UNHCR).

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