



Minutes of INTER-AGENCY MEETING

Beirut, 2 May 2014

Meeting Location	UNHCR- Leah Building	Meeting Time	10:00 A.M
Chair person	Mr. Jean Nicolas Beuze Assistant Representative Coordination	Meeting Duration	1 hr
Minutes Prepared by	Lara Techekirian -Inter-agency Coordination Associate		
Purpose of Meeting	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Registration Update 2. UNFPA Youth Assessment Presentation 3. Shelter Survey 4. Update on RRP Mid-Term Process 5. AOB 		

Summary of discussions and action points

1.	Registration Update by Philip Kibui – Associate Registration Officer
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Current situation: 1,044,898 registered and awaiting registration ▪ The average waiting period in Lebanon has increased from 20 to 25 days due to an increase in appointment scheduling in the Bekaa. ▪ Cumulative registration as of 30 April 2014 has reached 1 million representing almost 70% of projected figure of 1.5 million refugees by year-end ▪ The Random Thematic Questionnaire will be finalized and shared in the next IA meeting ▪ SOPs for Registration of Syrians Not Registered finalized and will be shared and implemented shortly <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The Referral form for ROVs is developed and training will be provided at the end of May ✓ UNICEF Polio Campaign used as one mechanism to identify refugees not registered. So far, just 20 families identified.
2.	UNFPA Youth Assessment Presentation by Rana Ibrahim- Humanitarian Youth Consultant, UNFPA
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A “Situation Assessment of Young Syrian Refugees and Lebanese Youth in Host Communities in Lebanon” was concluded by UNFPA in collaboration with UNICEF, UNESCO, UNHCR & SCI ▪ Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Gain understanding of the situation and vulnerabilities of young Syrian refugee males and females aged 15-24 years ✓ Analyze the Lebanese-Syrian refugee youth relationships ▪ The Assessment was a result of focus group discussions with Syrian and Lebanese youth, interviews with parents and stakeholders, and a survey questionnaire with Syrian youth ▪ Six components: shelter, education, health, protection, social cohesion and economic activity ▪ Questions focused on low number of youth in school, early marriage, clarification on minimum wage, fear for self (i.e. using the toilets at night-time) ▪ Several recommendations outlined ▪ A meeting will be organized at a later stage to disseminate the results and discuss in more details

3.	Shelter Survey by Mohamad Mukalled - Senior Field Coordinator- Shelter
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Shelter survey conducted in March that interviewed 6,000 families. ▪ Comparing types of accommodation with August 2013 shelter survey highlighted that refugees living in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Apartments/houses decreased from 67.4% to 57% ✓ Unfinished houses and worksites increased from 16% to 25% ✓ Informal Settlements increased from 12.7% to 15% ▪ Other highlights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Refugees pay an average of US\$ 202 per month in rent ✓ For the month of March, refugees spent US\$ 32.5 million in rent ✓ Refugee families are addressing the increasing rents by sharing accommodation leading to congestion ✓ 40% of refugees live in sub-standard buildings and informal settlements impacting severely on protection, WASH, health and winterization needs. ▪ Informal settlements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 1,069 sites (400 sites in August 2013) ✓ 15% of refugees live in IS (12.7% in August 2013) ✓ An average of 21 shelter units per IS ✓ Without blanket distribution of weatherproofing kits IS run the risk of becoming slums ▪ Trends and projections for December 2014 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 590,000 (40%) refugees living in Apartment/House ✓ 570,000 (38%) refugees in Substandard Buildings (Unfinished Buildings, Work-sites, One Room structure) ✓ 255,000 (17%) refugees living in (IS) Informal Settlements (>1500 SITES) ▪ Priorities remain site improvement of IS, rehabilitation of Lebanese-owned buildings, weatherproofing sub-standard shelters, collective-site management and coordination, continued advocacy for larger formal settlements and cash for shelter for vulnerable families.
4.	Update on RRP Mid-Term Process
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Agencies reminded to give name of sector focal point to sector coordinators or assumed not submitting bilaterally for mid-year review ▪ Sector priorities will be presented to RRP Steering Committee
5.	AOB
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ WASH sector organizing a meeting on Tuesday (6 May) to review and discuss preparedness plans and interventions by the humanitarian community regarding water scarcity and how they contribute towards the plans of the MOEW

Attachments

Document	Location
IA presentation	https://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/download.php?id=5502