



## SGBV Field Sub-Working Group – Za’atari

Thursday, July 17 2014 @ 11:30 –  
UNHCR Meeting Room Za’atari –Minutes

**Chair:** IRC

**Participants:** MercyCorps, ACTED, UN-Women, WFP, UNICEF, IRD, UNHCR, UNFPA.

**Monthly presentation from the National SGBV sub-working group:** To ensure information sharing and coordination with the national SGBV sub-working group, national SGBV coordinators presented and updated the group on last month SGBV national level discussions, including:

- **Mapping of Women and Girls Safe Spaces:** together with the national CP sub-working group the national SGBV sub-working group mapped out women and girls safe spaces in both urban and camp settings. Mapping of women and girls spaces are used to access info on type and location of services provided, targeted beneficiaries, staffing and resources in use, identify current gaps and use findings to meet those gaps. Definitions and standards on women and girls safe spaces are currently being drafted.
- **National Level Early Marriage Task force:** co-chaired by UNICEF and UNHCR, its aim is to a) develop SGBV prevention and response best practices based on international and national tools, b) use best practices to engage authorities and support legal advocacy efforts, and c) share best practices with other partners to support field level SGBV prevention and response initiatives.
- **Roundtable on Early Marriages – Amman, June 16:** Supported by UNHCR and attended by Ministries of the GoJ, Judges, UN-agencies and partners the roundtable discussed issues related to: *Registration of un-documented marriages:* unregistered marriages will be absent from fine for a 6 months period. After the 6 months period fines are expected to increase. *Registration of marriages for children above 15:* In line with already existing laws, marriages for 15yr. + can be registered but their approval depends on best interest assessments. *Registration of marriages for children below 15:* cannot be registered but discussions ongoing on how best ensure protection for pregnant girls and their children. *Birth Registration:* to take place within 1 year from birth date. Study will be conducted on how best ensure refugees exceeding one year have access to registration mechanisms.
- **Disabilities Inclusion in SGBV programming:** The IRC and the Commission on Women and Girls’ conducted a study to understand SGBV risks for the disabled, and use findings to support disability inclusion in SGBV programming. Recommendations on disability inclusion include: a) inclusion of disability in inter-agency SGBV assessments, b) mainstream disability in case management and access to services, and c) include disability in the SOPs and the referral pathways. **Action Point:** SGBV partners in Za’atari to increase efforts in disability inclusion for the prevention of and response to SGBV, include disability in the upcoming safety audit, engage HI and the disability task force in the SGBV Za’atari sub-working group and strengthen disability representation through community-based approaches.
- **SGBV briefing note:** SGBV briefing note is currently being updated to reflect advocacy efforts for disabled. **Action Point:** national coordinators to share briefing note with Za’atari members for field-related inputs.

**Case Management Task Force:** Thursday July 10, SGBV and CP members met to discuss the establishment of a case management task force. Brainstorm discussion highlighted the need to improve current referral and follow-up mechanisms especially between protection and non-protection actors. These include efforts to a) avoid duplication, b) facilitate status updates, c) develop referral guidelines for protection and non-protection actors, d) facilitate access to specialized services for groups not included in current referrals i.e. disabled and e) favor cases prioritization. Case management task force is still to be formally established and TORs are yet to be developed. For the latter inputs from Za'atari member will be key to ensure Za'atari case management TOR reflects Za'atari-specific issues, while also been in line with similar fora already established in urban areas. **Action Point:** SGBV Chair to liaise with Amanda and the CP and Protection chair to inform partners on the next meeting and related way forward.

**Updates on the Safety audit** Safety Audit task force developed FGDs for sector engagements and started engaging with sector specific actors for their inputs. FGDs with sectors are in line with stage 2 of the safety audit process. **Action Point:** Safety Audit TF to meet on Tuesday 22 and, based on findings, start developing Safety Audit tools. Tools will be reviewed with SGBV, CP and Protection members at the next meeting.

**Updates on district-based SOPs orientations:** District-based SOPs orientations completed on Wed. 16 July. Initial feedbacks are positive. **Action Point:** SOPs facilitators to meet on Tuesday July 22 and review orientations outcome. Based on findings the group will identify challenges and successes, promote best-practices and develop SOPs outcome presentations to be shared with camp members.

**Next Meeting:** SGBV meeting Monday, August 4<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30 UNHCR meeting Room. Base Camp. Za'atari.