

**Mafraq Monthly Coordination Meeting – Minutes
20.Feb.2017**

Agenda

- Security updates
- Livelihoods developments
- Education/ back to learning campaign
- Info sharing by all partners on their new activities for 2017 (please come prepared)
- Other updates and announcements

-Security update:

-The intense clashes in Dara city in Syria had interrupted UNHCR activities in Ramtha city during the last two weeks, on 12 Feb 2017 two shells were falling in Ramtha at Al kamismeya circle and in the custom area 4.5 km from the border, one Jordanian citizen was injured, and on 14 Feb 2017, Two mortar shells were fallen again in Ramtha city, first one fall at residential house with no impact (no damage or injuries) , where the other one fall at school causing some material damage and no injuries , the principle of the school sent students to their homes for their safety

- On 19 Feb, truck drivers make a sit - in the front of Ramtha Sub Governorate and park their trucks on both sides of the street blocking one lane of the street (about 50 trucks), demanding to lower the KSA Visa fees which has increased recently.

- On 20 Feb 2017 a worker in Mafraq Municipality sit himself on fire due to problems with his manager, he was rescued to Mafraq hospital.

- On 25 and 26 Jan 2017, FSU in coordination with SRAD and Civil defence conducted a First aid and Firefighting training in Za'atari camp and Mafraq S.O aimed UNHCR and NGOs staff.

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- Livelihoods developments:

-As of beginning of Feb there is 38,000 work permits have been granted, including 1,518 work permits issued for woman.

-There have been new instructions circulated by the authorities indicating that refugees in the camps are also allowed to apply for work permits, and can issue a permission to leave and return to the camps daily.

-The Job fair that took place at princess Basma Center , 25 private potential employers present from different company and factory in Zarqa and Ramtha , 1000 Syrian refugees and 00 Jordanian were invited to the event .

- the challenges still remain on getting work permits and employment , there have been discussion with MOL and a lot of refugees register the business through Jordanian persons ,in order to open their private business , will be meeting next week with Mafraq municipality to clear the things in national level .

-IKEA offered 200 job to Syrian Refugees, they collaborate with JRF to identify and implementing IKEA employment program.

- FAQ developing now and will be available by the end of next week, it will assist the agencies who are providing counselling on work permit to refugees.

Agencies can express their interests in Job matching process to Catherine, and she can share the information with livelihood unit.

Catherine: to circulate FAQ

	when its ready
<p>-Update from disability TF :</p> <p>The task force established last year , co-chaired by UNHCR and handicap international , the priority for last year is to improve identification of persons with disability through UNHCR registration system and vulnerability assessment survey and make changes in the way of asking the questions , in current priority of the TF is making of disability specific services and directory, after 6 weeks will have on line directory available show the different services where partners can make referral for rehabilitation , counselling and for education. In addition to mapping out the schools prepared to receive children with disability.</p>	<p>Irene : to share information /flyer about the schools mapping for children with disabilities</p>
<p>-Education</p> <p>Back to learning campaign: UNICEF and partners launched another round of Learning-for-All campaign starting from 29 January. It will run for a minimum of two weeks throughout the country to overlap with the re-opening of schools for the second semester on 7 February 2017. UNICEF doubled its efforts in this campaign to meet the objective of boosting enrolment in formal schools and the newly rolled out Catch-Up program targeting out-of-school children aged 9-12. A UNICEF-established hotline service began supporting interested callers with educational referral services. This approach is in addition to door-to-door outreach and awareness sessions conducted by 14 UNICEF implementing partners. This outreach effort targets children living around Makani centres and beyond to encourage parents to enrolled children in formal schools. Furthermore, another 200 UNICEF volunteers will be deployed in MOE schools to support schools in enrolling newly referred students. Results of the campaign will be analysed and shared with partners in February 2017, so that partners can re-contact children for follow up action.</p> <p>ARDD-legal Aid: announced on a learning event titled (Fostering a Culture of Accountability for improving the Learning Environment for Children in Jordan) ,the event hosted by the Norwegian Embassy, Arab Renaissance for Democracy and Development (ARDD), and Fafo Research Foundation in cooperation with Durrat Almanal for Development and Training, to discuss the findings research of the <i>Education for the Future</i> project and promote a dialogue between education-sector stakeholders on how to improve the learning</p> <p>ESWG 2017 work plan Finalized : drastic modifications in accordance with 2017-2019 JRP and structure of leadership , planning strategy development area is one area that needed to be improved in 2017 and the importance of MOE presence in the planning phase, another key area is sharing more information in relation to situation analyses, and information on the purpose of the appeal on the JRP/3RP and how results from the sector are also monitored , and set a standing agenda to have updates from members according to JRP/3RP plan, cross cutting issue and other coordination mechanism.</p>	<p>Irene : to share learning for All Campaign Flyer +hotlines</p>
<p>- Info sharing by all partners on their new activities for 2017</p> <p>- UNDP +WFP started have scale exchange project, exchange between Syrian and Jordanian, Jordanian will trained the Syrian. 200 Jordanian participants in the period of 10 months, the project still in preparation phase, and the role of WFP is to monitoring the implementation.</p> <p>-UNICEF: Project funded by UNICEF to increase the capacity building for MAKANI centres, they trained 350 staff in 140 friendly spaces all over Jordan.</p> <p>-Handicap international: still running regular activity, providing assistance to persons with disability through mobile team missions and in princess Basma centers .</p> <p>-IOCC: will increase the program in providing hearing and visual Aids to people who will be in need.</p>	<p>WFP : will provide more details on the scale exchange project in the coming meetings</p> <p>Catherine: will share contact details for IOCC and more info about their program.</p>

-Other updates and announcements.

-Population at the berm approximately 75,000 individual in July 2016, the last distribution on NFI and food packages was completed at the end of January, and will start new distribution soon.

-Primary health clinic has opened on the Jordanian side of the boarder , received around 460 patients , provide services to people with injury or life threatening cases , it's allow to provide medical assistance to people in severe need.

-UNHCR hired consultant to work on data protection , it's a survey to assess the security level on how is the data currently handle by different organization , and to work with agencies to come up with guidelines and standard on how to better protect the data .

-Protection related cash assistance, basic needs working group start to discuss with different organizations that have different type of cash programs with the aim of developing guidelines, on how cash should be provided to address protection problems.

Catherine: to share the survey and the contact details for the consultant.

Catherine reminded the partners to fill the info sheet for the governor.

NEXT MEETING: Monday 27th March, UNHCR Mafraq.