



## Minutes of Inter-Agency Coordination Meeting- 14 July 2017

<b>Meeting Location</b>	UNHCR , Leah 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor	<b>Meeting Time</b>	10:00 A.M
<b>Chair person</b>	Mario Abou Zeid – MOSA Sander Van Niekerk –UNHCR	<b>Meeting Duration</b>	2 hrs.
<b>Minutes Prepared by</b>	Oula Ibrahim – Senior Coordination Assistant		
<b>Agenda of the Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on Aarsal and Evictions</li> <li>• Child Labour and Child Marriage</li> <li>• Perception Survey</li> <li>• AOB</li> </ul>		
<b>Participating Organizations</b>	MOF, UN-HABITAT, ARC, UNICEF, ACTED, ACF, OCHA, UNHCR, MOSA, TDH IT, DRC, WCH, INTERSOS, Embassy of Netherlands, IRD, Concern, WFP, UNFPA, UNDP, PU-AMI, LHIF, SIF, ADRA, MEHE, Swiss Cooperation Office, World Vision, Amel, UNIFIL		

### Summary of discussions and action points

#### 1- Minister of Social Affairs

- ✓ His honor welcomed all the organizations participating in the meeting and reaffirmed MoSA's full support to achieve better results for the best interest and sake of all vulnerable populations in Lebanon, not only Syrian refugees.
- ✓ The Minister also reiterated the importance of taking steps to improve the coordination system, and the importance of communication among all partners in case of emerging situations to avoid duplication.
- ✓ He also stressed on the importance of having a comprehensive positive approach as we are no longer working in an emergency mode, therefore, the quality of work should always be high and considerable.

#### **2- the advisor to the Minister of Social affairs**

- ✓ In the last 12 hours, 150 Lebanese families left Aarsal, due to the potential military clashes anticipated in the area
- ✓ Coordination between MoSA and all humanitarian actors was very successful. Model to be adopted in any further emergency situations.
- ✓ Lessons learned from recent emergencies in Beqaa would be useful, best practices to be highlighted.
- ✓ The need to maintain good relationship with mayors and local authorities.
- ✓ MoSA is developing a mechanism through which, coordination structure is more strengthened and empowered

#### **3- Riyyak Eviction**

- ✓ 285 sites have been affected (total of 12000 tents)
- ✓ 500 HHs (around 3000 individuals) have relocated
- ✓ Beqaa office is currently developing a proper guidelines for cash assistance
- ✓ Inter-sectoral needs assessment was implemented by UNHCR and its partners to assess the needs of families
- ✓ Tracking of the most vulnerable families
- ✓ LAF have shown high flexibility in regards to evictions



#### **4- Aarsal**

- ✓ Situation remains very sensitive at the moment
- ✓ Actors requested to be extremely careful
- ✓ Transparent investigation is still ongoing in regards to soldiers who abused their authority in Aarsal's raids/ operations.
- ✓ A recommendation made by MoSA to maintain excellent relationships with the mayors

#### **4- Child Labour and Child marriage**

##### **Links to the presentations**

<http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/download.php?id=13839>

<http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/download.php?id=13840>

- ✓ 2 presentations on Child marriage and Child Labour
- ✓ evidence –based figures have been presented highlighting trends, statistics, challenges, actions undertaken on community and government level
- ✓ these 2 topics have been presented from inter-sectorial perspective, reflecting on correlation with other sectors (in terms of coordination and referrals)

#### **5- Regular Perception Surveys on Social Tension throughout Lebanon**

##### **LINK to the presentation :**

<http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/download.php?id=13838>

- ✓ it is a part of a series consisting of 4 assessments, that are intended to be done across the country
- ✓ 5001 interviews conducted with Lebanese and Syrian informants
- ✓ The survey notes the causes of social tension in Lebanon
- ✓ after conducting the four results, a report will be generated including recommendations that can feed directly into LCRP
- ✓ this project is funded by Netherlands

**Question:** Safe terminology used in the presentation was not well defined and was just pointing security. Participants asked for more clarification for the term in the upcoming surveys and general report

#### **4- AOB**

- ✓ Annual review for LCRP and all activities to be happening on sectors' level in September 2017. Details to be shared once confirmed.