

Cash-based Intervention Technical Working Group

CBI TWG Monthly Meeting Minute

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Ankara

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Agenda:

- Introduction and review of the action points from previous meeting
- Presentation of CBI Decision Tree in Turkey
- Brief introduction of CBI in different sectors followed by discussion with sector leads
- Discussions around reporting of CBI in 2018
- AOB (CBI mapping survey, Nomination of an NGO partners as a Technical Advisor)

Summary of Action Points

- ✓ TWG co-chairs to circulate the link to CBI Decision tree and CBI Protection Risk matrix and their PDF/Word versions among the partners. Deadline: 28 February 2018.
- ✓ IOM to continue amending the CBI decision tree based on comments/feedback received from partners. Deadline: ongoing.
- ✓ TWG co-chairs to share CBI related indicators under 3RP 2018 with relevant sector coordinators asking for additional details. Deadline: 28 February 2018.
- ✓ TWG coordinators to share the draft online survey with sector coordinators and partners for their feedback.
- ✓ Sector coordinators to provide feedback (if any) on survey form. Deadline: 7 March 2018.
- ✓ After receiving and incorporating of relevant inputs/feedback, CBI TWG coordinators launch the online mapping exercise. Deadline: 12 March 2018
- ✓ TWG coordinators to send invitation to BN WG members to nominate an NGO for Technical Advisor of the CBI TWG along with the ToRs for reference. Deadline: 28 February 2018.

1. Welcome, introduction and review of the action points of the previous meeting

The TWG Coordinators welcomed participants and explained that, in this occasion, it was important to conduct this meeting in Ankara in order to have an opportunity to discuss with chairs of sectors and WGs issues related to CBT across the sectors, particularly, on the reporting of several types of cash assistances. CBI TWG members based in Gaziantep, were requested to join via Skype or asked to request their Ankara colleagues to attend on their behalf.

WFP revisited the action points from the previous meeting, as follows:

- TWG coordinators to share the revised 2018 CBI-TWG Work Plan with members for final
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review and comments. **Status: Completed.**

- WFP will work on draft of an online survey to collect information on CBI programs and modalities across all the sectors. **Status: Completed.** TWG coordinators have developed a draft of an online survey/4Ws to collect information on CBI programs and modalities across all the sectors. The hard copy of the draft was shared and further discussed under AOB.
- Nomination of an NGO partners as a Technical Advisor. **Status:** The call for nomination was circulated among partners and given that no feedback was received, TWG coordinators asked CARE for an extension on this role. This was further discussed under AOB.

2. Presentation of CBI TWG Decision Tree in Turkey, followed by discussion with sector leads

- The decision tree is a tool developed by IOM with technical support of the CBT TWG as a tool for partners to determine whether cash-based interventions were applicable in specific contexts in Turkey. The tool was presented in the CBI TWG meeting on July, 2017 and further improved by IOM based on the feedback received from partners.
- IOM made the presentation of the latest version of the decision tree and provided a general explanation of its components. IOM also indicated that this is a live document and can be updated/improved based on needs and/or relevant feedback received from partners.
- The tree also contains the link to CBI-related Protection Risk Matrix. As it wasn't possible to access the link during the presentation, IOM will check and update it.
- WFP highlighted that the preparations are underway to introduce homecare assistance for disabled people under ESSN and once launched, it can be feasible to consider it within the tree.
- While the decision tree is not available as a file; it can be accessed via the following link:
http://prezi.com/jnliyfe4qcba/?utm_campaign=share&utm_medium=copy

Action Points:

- TWG co-chairs to circulate the link to CBI Decision tree and CBI Protection Risk matrix among the partners. **Deadline:** 28 February 2018.
- IOM to continue amending the CBI decision tree based on comments/feedback received from partners. **Deadline:** Ongoing.

3. Brief introduction of CBI in different sectors followed by discussion with sector leads

- UNHCR made a presentation on globally accepted cash-based interventions across the different sectors. The presentation highlighted the importance of combination between cash interventions and durable solutions programs to achieve ensuring of protection mandate of humanitarian activities. Examples of different possible CBI-related activities across the sectors/clusters were presented, including:
 - **Protection**, where the cash interventions may include participation in protection-related awareness related programs; safe housing; specific needs; reintegration/reunification; legal support; etc.
 - **Education**, where activities may focus on access to early childhood, primary, and higher education; promotion of access to education for girls and women; language; etc.
 - **Shelter**, which includes protection from weather elements, renting assistance, NFI, CfW, transitional shelter, etc.
 - **Livelihoods**, where CBI may be applied for provision of financial and productive assets, vocational trainings, CfW, legal support, etc.
 - **Health**, which may include provision of cash assistance for health for insurance premiums, cash to adolescent girls, targeting reduction of early pregnancies and HIV transmission, family planning counselling, and other.

- Presentation also covered activities that are likely applicable under CBI depending on the context as well as interventions which are not compatible with CBI.
- The online version of the presentation can be accessed on:
<https://prezi.com/view/DTzT5DTa73wdbr1NtlEV/>

4. Discussions around reporting of CBI in 2018

- Based on request received from BN WG to provide recommendation/technical advice on remaining confusion in relation to certain Cash reporting (e.g. in relation to Emergency Cash which may be used to cover shelter, medical expenses, transport, etc.), WFP presented the Overview of CBT-related indicators under 3RP/2018 across the different sectors in Turkey to initiate the discussions around the reporting of CBI in 2018. The indicators possibly relevant with CBI were reviewed as follows:

Sector	Indicators	Type of assistance	Planned # of beneficiaries
Protection	2.1.3 - # of individuals receiving material assistance to meet their urgent protection needs (disaggregated by age, gender and disability; disaggregated by modality: cash, e-vouchers, or in-kind)	Cash for protection	50,000
	2.1.4. # of individual persons assisted through case management services (age and gender disaggregated)	TBC with PRT WG	
Livelihoods	1.1.1 # of youth and individuals identified at risk benefiting from training (e.g. vocational and language skills) and awareness raising (e.g. labor and employment laws) disaggregated by gender.	Cash for training?	6,800
	1.3.1 # of Syrian men and women or host community members completed trainings (e.g. technical vocational, language, skills, and all types of livelihoods skills trainings).	Cash for training?	115,555
	1.3.2 # of Syrian men and women or host community members started/developed entrepreneurship /business.	Cash for starting business?	16,392
	1.3.3 # of Syrian male and female and affected host community members increased income through job placement, self-employment and income opportunities such as cash for work (whether long or short term).	Cash for work	25,920
Health	No CBI related activity is reported under AI		
Food Security and Agriculture	1.1.1. Number of Syrian refugees receiving food assistance within TACs	E-cards for food	150,000
	1.1.2. Number of Syrian refugees receiving food assistance within host communities	E-vouchers for food	35,000
	2.1.1 Number of Syrian refugees benefiting from access to income-generating opportunities through green-house construction and/or management	Cash for work?	21,350
	2.1.2 Number of Syrian refugees and affected host community members provided with inputs and other support for the establishment of agri-businesses	Cash to start business	4,125
	2.2.1 Number of Syrian refugees and affected members of host communities benefiting from agriculture-related vocational skills training and/or job placements	Cash for training/work	11,174

Sector	Indicators	Type of assistance	Planned # of beneficiaries
Education	1.6. c) # of students receiving higher education scholarships	Cash for education	3,111
	1.8 a) # of children supported by cash-transfers	Cash for education	326,900
Basic Needs	1.1.1 # of persons benefitting from access to adequate shelter solutions (disaggregated by sex, age and location, if data is available)	Cash for work and/or restricted cash-transfer	175,070
	1.2.1 # of persons benefitting from cash-based interventions (disaggregated by sex, age and location, if data is available)	Unrestricted cash-transfer (e.g. ESSN)	2,130,650

- Further discussion with sectors leads is required to find out more on the activities planned under each above mentioned indicators. The indicator guidelines being prepared in each sector, as well as the planned online survey on mapping CBI activities in Turkey may shed more light on this.

Action Points:

- TWG co-chairs to share CBI related indicators with relevant sector coordinators asking for additional details. Deadline: 28 February 2018.

5. AOB

a) CBI online mapping exercise:

- TWG co-chairs shared the hard-copies of developed a draft-tool for an online survey to collect information on ongoing CBI programs in Turkey. It was highlighted that the results of the survey will feed into a CBI mapping exercise. Partners and leads of all sectors were asked to provide their comments/inputs on the questionnaire once it is shared with them.
- Partners proposed to include a section on Emergency Cash to find out the scale of interventions under this category and further discuss where they should be reported.

Action Points:

- TWG coordinators to share the draft online survey with sector coordinators and partners for their feedback. Deadline: 28 February 2018.
- Sector coordinators to provide feedback (if any) on survey form. Deadline: 7 March 2018.
- After receiving and incorporating of relevant inputs/feedback, CBI TWG coordinators launch the online mapping exercise. Deadline: 8 March 2018

b) Nomination of Technical Advisor for TWG

- As no nomination was received from partners, CARE accepted to continue covering this role until a suitable candidate comes along. TWG coordinators and partners took this opportunity to thank CARE and Salah Hamwi for a job well done and their good disposition to continue in this role.
- UNHCR suggested to extend the call for nomination among the members of BN WG.

Action Points:

- TWG coordinators to send invitation to BN WG members to nominate an NGO for Technical Advisor of the CBI TWG along with the ToR for reference. Deadline: 28 February 2018.

Next meeting: 20th March 2018 (tentative) in Gaziantep.