

ESSN Task Force Ankara Minutes

Meeting date & time:	20 February 2020	Location:	UNHCR- Yildiz Kule- Ankara
	09:30 – 11:00	Meeting Co-Chairs:	WFP: Hiba Hanano TK: Hanifi Kinaci

Participants:	MSYD-ASRA, ASAM, IOM, UNHCR, IGAM, TURK KIZILAY, WFP, UNICEF, IFRC
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1. Updates on ESSN

- As of *February 17th, 2020*, a total of **2.863.409** individuals were registered; 1.111.180 individual of which are ineligible.
- **1.740.180** beneficiaries received ESSN assistance nationwide.
- A total of **161.378** beneficiaries received ESSN assistance **in Ankara**.
- A total of **31,550** beneficiaries received the disability allowance and **4.710** of those in Anatolian Region. **8.929** are severely disabled nationwide with **1032** located in Anatolian Region.
- More statistics and figures available in the enclosed main presentation.

2. Updates on CCTE:

- Details about the January 2020 CCTE payment, additional and motivational top-up payment, call center records, CCTE beneficiaries who are ALP learners can be found in the presentation.

Comments / Questions regarding Cash & Child Protection Component:

WFP & TRC co-chairs asked if UNICEF & TRC plans to act on the below-mentioned points from the ESSN Performance Survey;

- More focus on number of beneficiary children in schools (with school names) and districts. Reasons for this request are unclear. And, it would not be feasible.
- Application criteria: This can be re-incorporated to our presentations.
- Use of more visuals (tables / graphs): Well noted and will be considered for future presentations.
- Provision of a scholarship for undergraduate students: This is beyond the scope of CCTE as it is a social assistance program implemented mainly by MoFLSS. Additionally, UNICEF typically does not have programs for higher education (beyond secondary school).

3. 2019 Performance Survey Analysis

In January 2020, the ESSN Task Force management, WFP and TK, initiated a performance survey to help WFP and TK coordination teams assess the effectiveness of the task force and to make improvements where needed going forward. The Co-Chairs have presented overviews of the key survey results.

UNICEF representative replied to some of the recommendations regarding the CCTE presentation:

The full report will be shared in March in three languages; Turkish, English and Arabic.

4. Closed and Decongested camps' impact on ESSN

Directorate General of Migration Management (DGMM) has shared with Turk Kizilay a list of those, who left the 16 camps in 2018 and 2019 and opted out to urban areas. Accordingly, a study was conducted and presented by Turk Kizilay on the ESSN application status of those individuals, aiming to analyse the application status of individuals who opted to cities, as well as to determine the number of people who have the potential to apply for the ESSN.

5. WFP Closing statement

WFP would like to express their gratitude to everyone who had a role in ESSN. We are thankful for our great partnership with Turk Kizilay because together we marked an enormous achievement, we also want to express our gratefulness to ECHO for providing us with the tools to support almost 1.8 million beneficiaries, to the government of Turkey paving the way and giving a space for this operation to be implemented. We have been pleased to meet each and every one of you and have learned a lot with you in this ESSN journey.

We know that the ESSN is in safe hands with IFRC and Turk Kizilay and wish them the best of luck going forward. From now on you will be contacted by IFRC and Turk Kizilay for the following meetings where they will keep you informed about the regularity and venue of meetings considering performance survey recommendations. WFP will remain active in Turkey but operating different programmes.

Q&A

- IFRC will continue with the ESSN TF forward- please contact TRC- Hanifi Kinaci for further guidance.
- IFRC will have smaller field presence but operations will continue smoothly.
- IFRC and TRC will develop a calendar for the year in the coming period. A similar process to the current routine is expected forward.
- IFRC will start their first cash delivery in April 2020.
- TRC is still the lead implementer.
- IFRC will take forward conversations on transition.
- In terms of changing the criteria, analysis is taking place and upon results a decision will be made but no visible change is currently available. Same applies to transfer value change.
- CVME is an extreme useful resource for all sectors but it is a cooperate product for WFP so IFRC will not be doing CVME but they will be doing a similar report, IFRC will retain and build on the current progress, the value of the data points are being checked and a framework of vulnerability analysis is being developed, the sampling and data collection might be different.

Attachments:

1. ESSN Task Force Ankara Presentation