

# INTER AGENCY MEETING - Minute – 10 January, 2014 – Beirut

Meeting			
<b>Name</b>	Inter-Agency meeting	<b>Meeting Date</b>	10/1/2013
<b>Meeting Location</b>	UNHCR- Leah Building	<b>Meeting Time</b>	2:00 P.M
<b>Chair person</b>	Jean Nicolas Beuze -Assistant Representative Coordination	<b>Meeting Duration</b>	1 hour
<b>Minutes Prepared by</b>	Malak Rahal ( Senior Coordination Associate)		
<b>Purpose of Meeting</b>	1. UNHCR Representative's opening speech 2. Registration updates 3. Linkages between WASH and Health 4. RRP5 year-end report and Kuwait II 5. AOB		

## Summary of discussions and action points

<b>1.</b>	<b>UNHCR Representative's opening speech</b>
	<p>- UNHCR Representative highlighted the below points in her opening speech :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The sustainability of the response to the crisis since 2011 regardless of the limited funds available</li> <li>• The collective achievements in 2013, noting that number of refugees was around 130,000 at the beginning of 2013 while today, more than 860,00</li> <li>• The partnership with the GoL, including MoSA and MoEHE</li> <li>• The shared vision that is reflected in RRP6</li> <li>• Keep focusing on: united we stand, divided we fall</li> <li>• A special thanks to all partners and donors for their funding and support and to Makram (MoSA)</li> </ul>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Registration Updates</b>
	<p>- Current situation: 868,224 registered and awaiting registration.</p> <p>- The waiting period in March 2013 reached 46 days and current average waiting time for registration: 29 days (in lines with HCR objective of less than 30 days) ; three registration centers ( North, Bekaa and South) have remained under three-week waiting period for the past months</p> <p>- 87.7 % of refugees enter legally through official border checking and 12.3 % in an irregular manner through unofficial border points</p> <p>- The projected number of registered refugees by the end of 2014 will remain the same : 1.5 million <math>\pm</math> 7 % according to the various scenarios</p> <p>- Mobile registration : main challenge is the accuracy of the lists of unregistered refugees provided by Municipalities</p> <p>- UNHCR is strengthening its community outreach program which is a way to better inform the unregistered refugees about the benefits of the registration</p> <p><b>Action point : partners to continue providing lists of unregistered refugees in their areas of operation</b></p>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Linkages between WASH and Health</b>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If we improve WASH facilities, morbidity and mortality will decrease</li> <li>- Fecal/oral transmission can be avoided by simple measurements : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Availability of clean / chlorinated water</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Availability of soap ( latrines and toilet barriers might be difficult to manage )</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Areas of improvements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ More Strategic Behavioral Change and Communication (BCC) framework</li> <li>✓ Regional Strategic plans and networking</li> <li>✓ More Information sharing arrangements, documenting lessons learnt and identifying synergies/ collaboration/ coordination</li> <li>✓ Looking at Malnutrition in relation to WASH</li> <li>✓ Support the government in water quality Safety Plans and Monitoring System (EU Instrument for stability project – 8 Water quality Labs in hospital)</li> <li>✓ Standardize the messages on hygiene and water safety – Ongoing</li> <li>✓ Develop Integrated IEC materials for WASH, Nutrition and Health</li> <li>✓ Develop training modules and guidelines for outreach staff</li> <li>✓ Quarterly WASH-Health meetings</li> </ul> </li> <li>- The nutrition survey is concluded, a draft was circulated and will be reviewed by the steering committee on the 15<sup>th</sup> of January</li> </ul>
	<b>RRP5 year-end report and Kuwait II</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kuwait II Conference will take place on 15 January 2014 in Kuwait City; it will be chaired by the UN Secretary-General and hosted by the Emir of Kuwait , Minister Abou Faour and Makram Malaeb will attend, as well as the Prime Minister</li> <li>- 20 NGOs have been invited from the whole region ( 13 International and 7 National)</li> <li>- Agencies to provide to sector coordinators what have been achieved with their funding level per sector and the carry-over - Deadline : 31 January</li> <li>- Pushing for a financial tracking system to be used vis-à-vis the RRP – A meeting will take place in Amman on the 30<sup>th</sup> of January</li> </ul>
5.	<b>AOB</b>
	Agencies to send through sector coordinators their inputs for the Inter-Agency weekly updates by thursday noon every week in order to be shared by end of Thursday to the P.I unit.
Document	Location
Presentations	I.A presentation : <a href="http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/download.php?id=4056">http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/download.php?id=4056</a>