



ESWG Meeting Minutes – 11 November, 2014. (UNICEF 12:00-14:00 hrs)

Agencies present: NRC, RI, UNICEF, UNHCR, UNESCO, War Child UK, JEN, FCA, SCI, Questscope, DFID, YBQ, EAC, REACH, KnK, ICCS, AVSI, Caritas Jordan, FPSC, JEN, MECI, SCJ, WFP, WWI.

Agenda:

- 1) JRP/3RP updates- Eddie/Debora
- 2) INEE contextualization
- 3) Best practices/lessons learnt-AVSI
- 4) Updates from Zaatari EWG/YTF
- 5) AOB (UNICEF comprehensive child focused assessment in Azraq/Zaatari/ higher education scholarships- UNHCR)

1. JRP/3RP Updates

Eddie of UNESCO gave a brief update of the JRP planning process. The draft document has been shared with line ministries and consultations are still ongoing. This was followed by a briefing on the 3RP plan by Debora. She said that the sector has submitted the document to the UNHCR regional office for review but will continue to revise entries made by sector agencies especially on set targets. For more information on JRP, members can visit www.hscpjordan.org.

2. INEE Contextualization

The INEE contextualization report is still under review. The MoE has offered to translate the report to Arabic to speed up its endorsement. Agencies that are interested in supporting the team to review the report should let the sector co-chairs know.

3. Best Practices/Lessons Learnt-AVSI

AVSI made a presentation on their agency activities, partners and beneficiaries. They shared their best practices and lessons learnt on their work with PWD, youth and children. Their activities include vocational training (in carpentry, handcraft, recycling paper, welding), post basic education, alternative learning, training of volunteers, and recreational activities that are aimed to enhance social cohesion between the refugee and host communities. Some of the challenges they face include; high registration costs involved to get MoI cards, some children cannot attend sessions because they have to work, refugees who left the camps illegally are not allowed to access services from any humanitarian agency, among others. AVSI have learnt that help desks are very key for social inclusion, drama helps youth to address their everyday life challenges, etc. This presentation will be shared with sector members after the meeting.

4. Updates from the camps

Azraq

- Sector co-chairs shared a one pager on FCA's activities in Azraq through mail
- SCI is conducting capacity building activities for 120 children and their parents at their KG center. Parents are provided with PSS support to enhance their capacity to teach their children
- Mercy Corps is implementing inclusive education programs for children with disability in camps and host communities. So far 20 children have been identified and integrated into schools. They have also hired shadow teachers in selected schools to ensure that these children receive the necessary support they need. MC is also conducting orientation sessions for teachers on their projects and what is expected of them
- IOCC is working together with IMC and JHAS to carry out hygiene campaigns and dispensing medicine for children suffering from head lice
- WFP has continued to provide school children with dates. However they will be able to do this only until the end of this week. Distribution of dates will resume in January. In the meantime, they will provide biscuits as a substitute.

Zaatari

- ESWG meeting attendance at the camp has improved. There will be another meeting on November 18, 2014 at the camp for all education actors. A Child protection member will attend the meeting to give updates on their work plan and discuss violence in schools.



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- Joint Education Needs Assessment has been finalized. The Youth Task Force will conduct a workshop on November 24, 2014 in Zaatari to develop a joint action plan. All education actors have been invited to attend. The YTF are continuing with the safety audit FGDs with youth in the camp. They are also working on mapping all sports activities and centers. They will conduct Q&A sessions with youth on scholarships. The YTF are also working on 2015 work plan.
- Education referral pathway orientations will be conducted at the camp. Agencies should encourage their staff to attend.

5. AOB (UNICEF comprehensive child focused assessment- Azraq and Zaatari/ higher education scholarships-UNHCR).

- UNICEF is conducting a comprehensive child focused assessment in Zaatari and Azraq with education, youth, child protection and other sectors. They plan to visit 13,000 households in Zaatari in partnership with REACH. This will also take place in Amman. Unlike the JENA assessment conducted by REACH which had a smaller sample size, this one plans to reach almost all households. The presentation will be shared with sector members for feedback especially on indicators by Sunday morning. The team expects to have a report ready by the end of January 2016.
- Higher education scholarships- Agencies should contact UNHCR whenever they hear of scholarship opportunities for Syrian refugees because this has a bigger implication in the long term for Syrian refugees who will qualify for these opportunities.

SUMMARY ACTION POINTS

Action points	Responsible agency	Deadline
UNICEF to send out concept note of the assessment for inputs	UNICEF	After the meeting
Arushi to prepare a one page and send out an email on higher education scholarships	UNHCR	After the meeting

The co-chair will communicate the date and agenda for the meeting. From the next meeting, Farrukh Mirza will take over chairing sector meetings from Maria. Farrukh can be contacted at fmirza@unicef.org.