

Inter-Agency Working Group Meeting - Tripoli +5

Name	Interagency Meeting	Meeting Date	2 April 2015
Meeting Location	UNHCR North Sub-Office Tripoli	Meeting Time	14.00
Chair person	Monica Noro (UNHCR)	Meeting Duration	1h 00m
Minutes Prepared by	Funmi Osibona (UNHCR)		
Purpose of Meeting	Inter-agency meeting		

1.	UNHCR Updates
<p>UNHCR, MOSA and UNDP informed about the meeting that will take place next week to discuss action agreed during the LCRP roadshow exercise. The outcome will then be presented to partners to agree on the way forward.</p> <p>UNHCR has approached both Governors (T5 and Akkar) so that the next IAWG meetings can take place at the Governor's office.</p> <p>For Akkar: the meeting will take place on <u>8th April at 9.30 AM</u> in Halba Municipality. This meeting will be an opportunity for the Inter-Agency to provide an update on various programmes as well as brief on current coordination arrangements while the Governor will provide an update on the coordination unit/system within the governorate. Actions: Partners active in Akkar are encouraged to send a PowerPoint slide detailing their activities to Francesca Vigagni (vigagni@unhcr.org) by <u>Monday 6th April</u>.</p> <p>For T5: the meeting will take place on <u>16th April</u>. Time and agenda to be confirmed. Action: UNHCR to follow up with the Governor and to send the invitation accordingly. Sector Leads will also be informed to consolidate an update by sector.</p>	
2.	Updates from Partners
<p>WFP - For the month of April, Syrian refugees will receive USD 19 per person, instead of the planned USD 27 due to funding constraints. This change will affect all regular and safety net e-cards for Syrians. The e-cards will be loaded on April 5th. WFP displayed posters in partner shops and have notified refugees of this change via SMS.</p> <p>Cases that missed the verification exercise in February will not have their e-cards loaded this month, but will have a last chance to be validated (and thus getting their e-cards uploaded for April onwards) by showing up with their documentation and e-cards during the April cycle distribution days in Akkar and Mina (14-17 April)</p> <p>The first batch of non-targeted cases for 2015 was identified. 1,300 cases that were previously assisted by WFP will no longer be targeted due to their low vulnerability scoring following the joint household verification visits conducted by partners between January and March 2015. These 1,300 cases received a specific SMS today. April will be the last month of regular assistance for these cases, which may later apply for Safety Net. These exclusions will be the first in a long series to reduce targeting from current 75% of the registered caseload down to 55% in December 2015.</p> <p>A first batch of 1,100 pending for "misuse" cases recently verified at household level by partners and getting a high vulnerability score will be called to show up at April cycle distributions in order to be checked, and their e-cards will be re-activated 48h later. Their e-cards have been frozen since December or January. Household verification visits are still going on and new batches of vulnerable cases will get their e-cards reloaded soon.</p> <p>Mass Information - A Q& A for hotline and frontline workers will be shared with partners. ROV networks should also be informed of the changes so that they can disseminate this information further.</p> <p>Partners are encouraged to monitor the situation as it unfolds and inform UNHCR on any trends or protection consequences related to these cuts.</p>	

<p>UNDP provided an update on the survey on social stability working group and its potential creation in the North. Action: Partners to complete the survey and return their submissions to UNDP by <u>13TH April</u>.</p> <p>UNICEF has completed polio vaccinations targeting 4,800 children in the North. UNICEF highlighted concerns of scabies in schools and the Waha collective shelter. Negotiation is ongoing for access to schools with MEHE in order to provide treatment to children. UNICEF is funding transportation for students in second shift schools and encourages partners to inform/ refer cases to children in need of this assistance.</p> <p>CARE International Mariam Darwish is the acting Area Manager for CARE replacing Vakhtang Piranishvili CARE briefed the forum on their current WASH community support and rehabilitation activities. Details of the projects will be presented in the meeting with the Tripoli Governor on the 16th April.</p>
<p>3. Meeting with the Mayor of Diddeh</p> <p>The Mayor of Diddeh called for a meeting with partners to introduce OTI project on Solar lighting in Diddeh. The project was developed through the support of the naseej, committee composed of Lebanese and Syrian individuals. UNHCR attended and ensured that linkages are established between the naseej and the Waha refugee committee.</p> <p>Moreover, the Major also met with UNHCR, CISP, OXFAM and the Waha refugee committee to formalize the committee composition. Technical discussion will follow to finalize the joint work plan with one municipal focal point officially appointed to this task.</p> <p>UNHCR also took this opportunity to brief the Mayor on the Maps of Risk and Resources (MRR) analysis on going with UNDP, MOSA and partners. It is expected that MOSA, UNHCR, UNDP and various organizations will meet with the Mayor after the 15th April. Confirmed dates will be communicated to all partners.</p>
<p>5. Community Mobilisation Strategy</p> <p>UNHCR briefed the forum about the community mobilization strategy which was initially meant to frame the work that UNHCR and its partners do while delivering community services. Given the interest of various partners to contribute to the strategy, the draft was widely shared especially within the PWG. While all contributions and comments are welcome it is important to note that this strategy will link to the CSMC strategy and not duplicate. The strategy is broader than the CSMC one as it refers to various refugees' locations. Linkages with municipalities need to be explored when setting committees and the committee should ensure adequate and recognized representation.</p> <p>Action: head of various organizations and respective technicians will meet on 14th April to discuss the strategy and consolidate their inputs.</p> <p>Similar strategy does not exist yet at the national level, though UNHCR already discussed with colleagues and will further explore possibilities to present it at Beirut level.</p>

Next meetings:

- **Community Mobilisation strategy on Tuesday, 14th April at 9.30 at UNHCR conference room in Tripoli**
- **IAWG on Thursday 16th April at 14:00 location and time TBC**

Presentation Schedule for upcoming meetings

Date	Organisation	Presentation Topic/Title	Presenter/Focal Point	Date
30/4/15	NRC	ICLA Activities	Nusret Osmanspahic	30/4/15

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