

## Minutes of the National Basic Assistance Working Group Meeting

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| <b>Meeting Location</b>     | UNHCR, Khater building , 8 <sup>th</sup> floor                                      | <b>Meeting Date</b>     | 20 January 2017 |
| <b>Chair persons</b>        | Khalil Dagher (UNHCR) & Mirdza Abele (WVI)  | <b>Meeting Time</b>     | 2:00 PM         |
| <b>Minutes by</b>           | Mirdza Abele & Khalil Dagher  | <b>Meeting Duration</b> | 1h:00 Min       |
| <b>Represented Agencies</b> | MOSA, UNHCR, UNRWA, UNICEF, LCC, SIF, HI, WVI, RI, LRC, ACTED, NRC, ACF, ICRC, CARE |                         |                 |

### Agenda:

- 1) Sector Updates:
  - a. Targeting Assistance
  - b. Winter Support
- 2) LCRP 2017: Activity Info Reporting Database
- 3) Partners Updates:
  - a. Winter Support
  - b. 2017 Plans: Funding secured, Plans, and Targets
- 4) AOB
- **Action Points**
  - Timely reporting on Activity Info for winter distributions
  - Timely reporting on RAIS for cash assistance distributions
  - UNICEF, RI and ICRC to present next month on cash for education programs and cash for health and protection;

### 1) Sector updates:

#### a. Targeting Assistance:

- 65,663 HHs are receiving MPC (53,907 are Syrian; 10,730 PRS and 1,800 Leb HHs);
- 180,000 Syrian HHs profiled across 24 months (75% of the total reg. Syrian pop);

#### b. Interagency Winter Support Plan 2016-2017

- More, but not all partners are reporting on activity info for winter assistance;
- Targeted with cash for winter assistance: 218,000HHs (149,609 Syr HHs; 30,000 Leb HHs; 9,214 PRS/PRL HHs) → total reached 158,882 HHs;
- Targeted for CRIs: 47,250 HHs; items distributed: 49,633 blankets; 4,901 stoves; 36,344 clothing kits; 527 schools received first batch of fuel from 572 schools targeted;
- ICRC: 250/month for 4 month covering 900 PRS families nationally; 3,620 clothing kits distributed by ICRC in Arsel. Not reported on activity info;
- NRC: 920 with winter cash assistance until march;
- UNRWA: winter completed in December, January will be updated report on activity info;
- UNICEF: some Palestine refugee cases received assistance in January via UNRWA. UNICEF will reflect this in the coming month. For UNICEF also the unregistered assisted cases will be extracted and represented in the coming month;
- Red Cross: 1,191 Syrian families multi-purpose with winter top ups. 317 Lebanese families (winter top up + MPC); 880 fuel vouchers across three areas;
- ACF: Arsel 653 families MPC + winter top up for Syrians and Lebanese;
- MoSA: winter clothes and in kind fuel 300 families in North Bekaa, Central and West; Clothes for Lebanese and Syrians – need assistance from UNHCR to identify cases;
- UNICEF: 152,000 HHs have received the full winter assistance package loadings.

## 2) LCRP 2017 – Activity Info Reporting Database

- Reporting for Lebanese is under Outcome 1;
- RAIS remains the main reporting place for registered and recorded Syrian refugees;
- Report as many details in the comment box as possible as it helps overall Outcome level reporting;
- Next Friday 27 Jan there is a training in Tripoli for Activity Info + maybe RAIS;

## 3) Update from partners

- NRC: 920 Syr 68 Leb until march from OCHA fund;
- UNHCR: 30,000 HHs target covered until October with MPC. Nationwide coverage; The CRI strategy is not determined yet;
- LCC: 14,500 HHs covered until May – nationwide coverage;
- UNRWA: some overlap exists with UNHCR for PRS;
- SIF: funding until March Beirut Mt Leb;
- RI: 1000 HHs secured until September BPRM - Cash for education 200 children; looking to expand into Arsel with mobile uploads in the last quarter;
- Cash for education presentation next meeting UNICEF and RI;
- UNICEF: seasonal winter program – 33,261 HHs reached; 75,000 Leb children assisted under MPTP; Palestinian program 14,000 PRS children reached; Education program: 50,000 children (30,000HHs) in Mt Leb and Akkar children 6-14, second shift registered;
- CARE: Bekaa vouchers for fuel 2 month (Dec and Jan, potentially until March);
- ICRC: 1000 HHs Syr (PRS) with MPC – based on health and protection referral; Presentation to be done next BAWG;
- Red Cross: 1191 HH case load maintained;
- ACF: OCHA extension expected in Bekaa and Arsel;

## 4) Specific Issues to Raise:

- Loading times coincided for many agencies and created several challenges at ATMs, aside from delays also instances of robberies and extortion;
- Capacity of ATMs exceeded the norm;