

Shelter / NFI / CCCM National Cluster Meeting Minutes

10:00 – 12:00, Wednesday, July 10, 2013

Lutheran World Federation Office, YGN

Attendees: Malteser, Save the Children, LWF, Acted, Care, OCHA, UNHCR, ECHO, IFRC, MRCS, ADRA & UNOPS

(Advanced) notification sent that not attending meeting: AusAID, DRC & IOM

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action / Actor / Date
Introduction	<p>Round of introductions. Cluster Coordinator (CC) particularly appreciated the fact that meeting was being hosted by another Cluster member and thanked LWF. CC hoped other members would consider doing the same.</p> <p>Paul Knudsen (knudsen@unhcr.org), new Shelter Cluster Expert for Kachin State was introduced to the Cluster and would be deployed to Kachin, based in Myitkyina as soon as his travel authorisation could be secured. His details, as one of the Cluster Leads in Kachin could be found at the following link under Coordination Contacts:</p> <p>https://www.sheltercluster.org/Asia/Myanmar/RakhineAndKachin/Pages/default.aspx</p> <p>Review of last meeting minutes and actions, and minutes cleared.</p> <p>Noted that this meeting would be largely Rakhine centric but within reason and as to what was appropriate at the time, noting the fluid nature of humanitarian situation in Rakhine, the aim was to rotate meeting focus between Rakhine and Kachin. The previous meeting had been more focussed on the latter.</p>	By July 12 th , minutes to be shared across Cluster and publically available via website.
Information Management <i>Monthly (Shelter/NFI/CCCM)</i>	<p>CC asked for comments on the draft version of the <i>Monthly (Shelter/NFI/CCCM) Cluster Analysis Report</i>.</p> <p>ECHO welcomed this level of information/detail, stating that they had been asking for this for a “year</p>	

<p><i>Cluster Analysis Report</i></p>	<p>and a half” but this was “better late than never”. However, they questioned some of the Kachin data, specifically:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Map to be changed; 2. NFI coverage data to be verified; 3. Error on permanent housing in Kachin to be rectified; 4. Likely error on temporary shelter gap needs to be rectified. <p>Save the Children also noted that their NFI data for Rakhine was not reflected.</p> <p>CC noted that this was a process and rectifying these mistakes was part of that process. ECHO noted that it would be very helpful if this data could be publically available by September, “ready for all donors”.</p>	<p>CC and IM to follow up with IM colleagues in Kachin and Rakhine to complete the data.</p>
<p>Contingency Stocks & Post Disaster Assessment Capacity</p> <p><i>Update on Feedback from Cluster Members</i></p>	<p>The latest version of the contingency stocks for Rakhine was shared & discussed, which includes capacity of Cluster members to support post disaster (needs) assessments.</p> <p>Care noted that there submissions were not included, plus there were updates from Save the Children.</p>	<p>Cluster to update two tables and upload to Cluster website.</p>
<p>Rakhine State:</p> <p><i>Rakhine Response Plan (Shelter/NFI/CCCM)</i></p>	<p>Significant progress in the temporary shelter situation. It is estimated that 100% coverage could be achieved by end of August. Main current challenge is dispute in Pauktaw Township, which is hindering construction, negotiation is on-going. It appears as if all the IDP groups, including some whose IDP status is less clear, will be covered by the end of next month. In terms of strategic planning the priority now is the next stage of shelter assistance and reference was made to hard copy of <i>Rakhine Response Plan (RRP) – Shelter Cluster Response Plan</i>. Key areas would be care and maintenance, and provision of camp infrastructure, funding depending.</p> <p>On temporary shelter matters, Care noted the support from the Shelter Cluster that was happening as <i>this</i> forum met as being “particularly positive”. Also remarked that Ramadan was to start and likely to slow construction down.</p>	

	Also, hard copies of the submission for CCCM as part of the RRP were also shared with the Cluster for their comments. LWF asked if the word “communal” could be replaced with “community”. CC noted the comment. CC explained that Cluster had given presentation at OCHA organised Sittwe w/shop 4 th July, copy of this presentation was also shared, as was copy of <i>Cluster Funding Needs, July - Dec 2013</i> for Rakhine Response Plan.	CC to share soft copies of latest working versions of three inputs (shelter, NFI and CCCM) across Cluster for their comments/feedback.
<i>CCCM Funding Update</i>	<p>The CCCM funding needs in Rakhine remain critical. As had been stressed in previous meetings, <u>a failure to sufficiently fund CCCM would result in erosion of progress in shelter/millions spent plus dysfunctional/anarchic settlements would offer no assistance in restoring relations that could support coexistence between IDPs and surrounding communities nor aid efforts to achieve the necessary and ultimate objective of a durable solution</u>. CC continued to try and raise the profile of this need, which included briefings to donors at a meeting organised by OCHA and publicising the need, see:</p> <p>http://www.globalccmcluster.org/news/critical-funding-gap-myanmar</p> <p>Thus far, US\$180,000 USD has been 100% secured for CCCM in Rakhine, less than 20% of the critical needs required for the next six months of 2013. Hopefully, more funding has been secured but this was not yet confirmed and even if it were to materialise the sector would still be 50 per cent short of the overall critical needs.</p> <p>Despite this, very encouraging that Solidarites, Save the Children, LWF and Relief International have agreed to serve as CCCM focal points in the camps where they have already existing projects. Additionally, DRC have received CCCM funds to work in two camps in rural Sittwe. Save the Children noted that their CCCM staff costs will be covered with their existing funding. However, they do require technical support from the Cluster.</p>	Cluster at Rakhine and national level would continue to advocate for more funding.
AOB <i>Working (in Myanmar language) towards Safe, Dignified and Appropriate Living Conditions</i>	Cluster had also produced this leaflet to explain its role in Myanmar (as well as English). Hard copies were being distributed across Rakhine, Kachin and now Northern Shan. Soft copies in both languages could be found at the following link under Key Documents :	

<p><i>Coordination of Hygiene and Sanitation NFI items</i></p>	<p>https://www.sheltercluster.org/Asia/Myanmar/RakhineAndKachin/Pages/default.aspx</p> <p>Explained that some Cluster members in Rakhine would rather these NFI items be coordinated by the WASH Cluster. <i>This</i> Cluster needed to confirm with UNICEF led WASH Cluster at national level that this was feasible but assuming an agreement, this would happen. If so, WASH Cluster would be expected to coordinate for Rakhine and Kachin. LWF questioned whether it was appropriate to handover the tracking of hygiene and sanitary items to the WASH Cluster. CC explained that majority of members (in Rakhine at least) would rather they be coordinated by WASH Cluster and consensual view was likely to have the final sway.</p>	<p>CC will discuss it with WASH Cluster Lead (UNICEF) and if agreed, will hand over the coordination responsibility and data.</p>
<p><i>GBV AoR RRT Mission Debriefing Yangon, June 2013</i></p>	<p>As at previous meeting, CC drew reference to the recent mission of Devanna de la Puente (Global Protection Cluster's / Gender Based Violence) to Kachin. Noted that Devanna would be giving a presentation in person. Those who were particularly interested in these issues in Kachin were encouraged to attend. The findings certainly had implications for <i>this</i> Cluster's sectors and were being shared with Cluster Leads in Kachin.</p>	
<p><i>Meeting Schedule – Cluster Website</i></p>	<p>Noting that there were individual Cluster forums for shelter, NFIs and CCCM in Sittwe (for Rakhine), plus Shelter/NFI/CCCM Cluster forums in Myitkyina, Bhamo (and now Northern Shan) covering Kachin, plus this national forum, the Cluster was keen that all details of meetings were publically accessible in terms of: time, date and location. Details could now be found at the following link under Upcoming Events:</p> <p>https://www.sheltercluster.org/Asia/Myanmar/RakhineAndKachin/Pages/default.aspx</p> <p>OCHA made reference to the situation Meikhtila, Mandalay State. "IDPs are returning to their homes and the numbers continue to decrease". Currently 4,500 IDPs still living in five camps but there are no "urgent needs". Long houses are being constructed in the "Stadium" Camp. Advocacy for the freedom of movement is needed and is on-going, plus more consultation and dialogue with the displaced. IDPs can only move freely at certain times. CC drew reference to hard copy of OCHA note on Meiktila, as circulated. <i>This</i> Cluster's involvement would remain limited due to reasons already given; see minutes of meeting June 12th for more details. However, if the camps continued to remain then capacity permitting the Cluster would seek to support with some CCCM training. CCCM was noted by OCHA as</p>	

	<p>“weak”.</p> <p>MRCS asked about the coverage of cash for work livelihood opportunities during the construction of shelters. It was agreed that this raised the wider and increasingly important issue of early recovery and livelihoods.</p> <p>ADRA noted that they had applied for funding through OCHA (Emergency Response Fund) for projects in Kachin (NGCA areas). The sector that concerned <i>this</i> Cluster, NFIs, was made aware to the Cluster Lead by OCHA. Following consultations with Cluster Lead colleagues in Kachin, the feedback to OCHA had been positive about these NFI needs in NGCA areas.</p> <p>ECHO noted that they had sent a letter to the Government requesting a meeting either in Nay Pyi Taw or Yangon to discuss key advocacy points in relation to the Rakhine situation. To-date they had received no response.</p>	
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For next YGN meeting members were encouraged to check the http://themimu.info/Meeting_Schedule/index.php and the Cluster website (see **Up Coming Events** section). Also nearer the time the CC would send an email confirmation and as usual, an agenda.

Documents shared in hard copy with the participants at the meeting included:

Shelter/NFI/CCCM YGN Cluster Meeting Minutes, 26.6.'13; minutes cleared and to be uploaded to website

Shelter CCCM Cluster, Rakhine Response Plan, 4th July 2013 (PowerPoint Presentation)

Cluster Funding Needs, July - Dec 2013 for Rakhine Response Plan

Rakhine State Response Plan – Shelter Cluster Response Plan - draft

Rakhine State Response Plan – Camp Coordination and Camp Management Cluster (CCCM) Response Plan - draft

Needs for Supporting Camp Infrastructure, Rakhine, 14.6.'13

Working (in Myanmar language) towards Safe, Dignified and Appropriate Living Conditions

GBV AoR RRT Mission Debriefing Yangon, June 2013 (PowerPoint Presentation)

MEIKTILA UPDATE, June '13 - OCHA

Inter-agency Cross-Line Mission to Lwegel and Maija Yang Area, Kachin State, 12th - 16th June, '13 - OCHA