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| **INTER-SECTOR WORKING GROUP***30th August 2021* |
| **Chair/Co-Chair** | Ruben Nijs (UNHCR)**;** Dr. KanarHidayat (MoP) |
| Participants | **Protection:** Gavin Lim (UNHCR)/ Jessica Caplin (UNHCR)**GBV:** Farid Gul (UNFPA)/ Shan Sherwan (NCA)**Child Protection:** Nawres Mahmood (Save the Children) **Food Security:** Farid Al-Maqdsi (WFP)/ Ranjini Paskarasingam (UNICEF) **Shelter:**  Mazin Al-Nkshbandi (UNHCR) **WASH:** Jennifer Vettel (UNICEF)/ Anjam Sabir (Mercy Corps)**Livelihood**: Sadia Anwer (UNDP)**Basic Needs**: Loreto Palmaera (UNHCR) **Other**: Gabriela Bergan (IOM); Marwa Hashem (UNHCR); Peter Kintu (UNHCR); Theodore Jasper (REACH); Star A Jami (MoP); Virginia Leape (Oxfam/CCLI); Muftah Etwilb (IFRC); Roshna Abdulrahman (UNHCR) Mahmood Saeed (UNHCR), Steve Seifert (GIZ), Katerina Kratzman (GIZ), Nyanjagi Ally (UNHCR), Edward Thomas (FAO), Mukesh Thapa (IOM), Silvia Terren (UNHCR). |
| Absences | **Health –** Yade Hadi (WHO)**Education –** Munas Kalden (UNICEF) |
| Agenda | 1. 3RP Update
2. Ministry of Planning Update
3. Sectors Update
4. Presentation on UNHCR Participatory Assessment 2021
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**Ministry of Planning Update** – Dr. Kanar Hadayat

* Vision 2030: draft to be finalized and still at Council of Ministries.
* For the purposes of planning, the MoP is committed to increase coordination and info sharing with humanitarian agencies, especially in relation to camp integration.

**3RP Updates (Ruben/UNHCR)**

* 3RP Regional Evaluation
* Planning to arrange a workshop with Sector leads in February 2022 to update the release of the 3RP country Chapter 2022 and brainstorm on challenges and opportunities to strengthen coordination and resource mobilization.
* 3RP planning: Initial draft of funding requirements received by all sectors. Narrative to be shared by sectors by 15th of December. Aiming to further revise the M&E framework and collect further submissions by agencies to then finalise the plan by mid-January for release in February 2022.

**Sector Updates**

PROTECTION – Gavin Lim (UNCHR)/ Jessica Caplin (UNHCR)

* Verified cases of spontaneous return to Syria in 2021 decreased compared with 2020.
* Ongoing increase of detention of Syrians in Centre and South remains a concern due to lack/ expired documentation resulting in violation of the GoI residency regulations. Increase of Syrians moving from KR-I to Federal Iraq for job opportunities. UNHCR arranged several registration missions with PCMOI.
* Advocacy is ongoing on the draft of the new KRG MoI instructions on humanitarian residency and entitlements attached to it.
* CwC: The IIC is working on capacity building to address the issues refugees are facing to access the service. The CwC tool [Help - Iraq](help.unhcr.org/iraq) is highly used by refugees and asylum seekers and agencies are encouraged to share information to be uploaded about available services and across different sectors. The page includes updated info on Covid 19.

GBV: Farid Gul (UNFPA)

* 3RP planning ongoing. Planning to include more livelihood interventions in GBV programming.
* New Co-lead from NCA: Shan Sherwan

CHILD PROTECTION: Nawres Mahmood (Save the Children)

* New Lead: Ranjini Paskarasingam (UNICEF)
* Supporting partners with 3RP planning process and review of indicators.
* The sub-sector delivered an orientation session for caseworkers to identify signs and and respond to child protection concerns.

SHELTER - Mazin (UNHCR)

* All shelters have been upgraded in all camps – except for Bardarash. No shelter upgrade activities planned for 2022. The Sector will focus on the identification and implementation of area-based interventions on infrastructure projects, including the use of green energy.

WASH: Jennifer Vettel (UNICEF)

* UNICEF is planning to handover WASH services in Erbil camps, Domiz 1 and 2 and shift towards large scale infrastructure projects benefiting both host communities and refugees in and outside camps. UNHCR and UNICEF are jointly working on a transitional plan and in conversation with government counterparts. The MoP will be also included in the planning process.
* The plan will also include building capacity of refugees inside camps to run care and maintenance inside camps as a sustainable solution.

LIVELIHOOD: Sadia Anwer (UNDP)

* Overview of Q1-Q3 achievements and assistance provided. The Livelihood response has been provided by a total of 9 partners and received a total of 2.1 M.
* A planning workshop was delivered by the sector in November with livelihood partners on challenges, achievements and strategies to inform the 2022 planning process. Currently 11 partners have submitted their appeal for 2022.
* A mapping of vocational training centres across KR-I is available on ELC website.
* The Cluster/Sector is planning to deliver a training for 3RP partners on UNDP 3x6 approach, an instrument for actors to shift from emergency livelihood to recovery/graduation.
* A survey will be released by the end of the year for HRP/3RP partners to participate to map thematic expertise and capacity among partners.
* CLCI/CWG/Food security cluster currently working on a referral guidance to harmonize referrals.

BASIC NEEDS: Loreto Palmaera (UNHCR)

* Planning for 2022: Provision of Winterization to 70,756 HH Syrians, 10,427 HH Non-Syrians and 57,252 HH IDPs. Multipurpose Cash will be delivered to 6,500 Syrian HHs including 250 dollars per month over 12 months.
* COVID19 Cash Assistance provided in 2021 to Refugees – 12,879 and planning to reach out 34,269 Refugee HH with 240,000IQD per HH.
* Working on aligning MPCA with MoLSA social protection schemes.

FOOD: Ruben Nijs (UNHCR)

* Food assistance will remain the same in 2022 and aiming to target 70,000 individuals.

EDUCATION

* The school year has been delayed as refugee teachers are boycotting in all 3 governorates of KJR-I due to the backlog in payment of incentives, request from volunteer teachers to receive contractual cover and fear among many teachers of looking their job as a result of the Refugee Education Integration Policy. Protests from students are also taking place due to equalizations issues.
* The Refugee Education Integration Policy has been approved at the end of November 2021. The MoE announced that the implementation plan will take place between December and January 2022 an that implementation will take place in stages and include only few grades before scaling up. Equalization is still an area that need further clarification from the MoE, including whether placement tests will be introduced and how refugee teachers will be assessed and supported to equalise their qualifications.
* Overcrowding of schools remain a main issue.

**3-Presentation on “UNHCR Participatory Assessment” Jessica Caplin (UNHCR)**

* The full report is available on the UNHCR Portal: [2021 Participatory Assessment](https://data2.unhcr.org/en/documents/details/89976)

**A separate Action/Follow Ups sheet is shared together with the minutes.**

**The Next ISWG will take place in February 2021. Date TBC**