

# INTER AGENCY MEETING - Minute – 5 July, 2013 – Beirut

Meeting			
<b>Name</b>	Inter-Agency meeting	<b>Meeting Date</b>	5/07/2013
<b>Meeting Location</b>	ESCWA	<b>Meeting Time</b>	3:00 P.M
<b>Chair person</b>	Mrs. Anne-Marie Kerrigan-Deriché - Senior Coordination Officer Mr. Makram Malaeb - MOSA	<b>Meeting Duration</b>	1 hr.30 min.
<b>Minutes Prepared by</b>	Malak Rahal		
<b>Purpose of Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Updates</li> <li>✓ General</li> <li>✓ Security</li> <li>✓ Funding for RRP5</li> <li>✓ Shelter</li> <li>- Vulnerability Assessment/Profiling exercise – Updates by WFP</li> <li>- IA Contingency Plan briefing</li> <li>- AOB</li> </ul>		

## Summary of discussions and action points

<b>1.</b>	<p><b>General updates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Current situation: 584,584 registered and awaiting registration.</li> <li>- The lowest waiting period for registration is in North (16 days); the average waiting period in all Lebanon is 28 days.</li> <li>- There is a call for more information on numbers of refugees crossing the border daily (around 70,000 people crossing the borders per month)</li> <li>- MOSA in discussions with UNHCR about establishing reception areas at the border crossing points in order to filter the people coming in, update the registration data and determine assistance to be provided.</li> <li>- Caritas is going to put a station on the Masnaa border crossing: location is set at the boarder and staff will start working by Monday; 2 shifts composed of (1 team &amp; a nurse) for health related issues.</li> <li>- Caritas is preparing a brochure with UNHCR and it is going to be finalized soon.</li> </ul> <p><u>Action Points:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- It is requested from UNHCR to get more information about Syrians crossing the borders per day.</li> </ul>
<b>2.</b>	<p><b>Security Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tense in the areas close to the border ( Arsal and North Bekaa)</li> <li>- Continued political/sectarian tensions;</li> <li>- UN and INGOs are not directly targeted;</li> <li>- Continued insecurity in Tripoli;</li> <li>- Every month there is a monthly security briefing and information is shared with Ngo focal points.</li> </ul>

	<p><u>Recommendations:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Before departure to the field to assess and confirm prevailing security situation at the destination or on the way;</li> <li>✓ Use of alternative roads when required;</li> </ul>
<b>3.</b>	<b>RRP5 Funding Update : 05 July</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The funding level up to 5 July is 24 % including the government portion ; without the government portion it is 34 %.</li> <li>- There is a document on the webportal that includes all the agencies and their funding updates</li> </ul> <p><u>Action points:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- In order to keep track of the RRP5 funding, UNHCR’s regional office in Amman will send a monthly request to partners listed in the RRP5 to ask for their funding updates (partners’ coordinates already shared).</li> <li>- The regional office in Amman has access to the financial tracking system (FTS) - more information to be provided</li> </ul>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Shelter updates</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Survey confirms that 6.8% of refugees registered and awaiting registration are living in informal settlements nationwide of which 83% are in Bekaa alone (Hermel, Baalbeck, Zahle, and W. Bekaa)</li> <li>- 52% of registered refugees within informal settlements have been assisted by all shelter agencies</li> </ul> <p><u>Data collection:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A need for more collaboration on the provision of data by all agencies. To update data per agency, to see the full shelter intervention data, and the 3Ws, agencies were advised on using the web portal via <a href="https://Sandbox.raisunhcr.org/emergencylab">Sandbox.raisunhcr.org/emergencylab</a></li> <li>- For personal username and password, please contact: Mr. Chahine Ismail on <a href="mailto:Chahinei@unhcr.org">Chahinei@unhcr.org</a>, Tel: 76-500-388</li> </ul> <p><b>Action Point: Partners are asked to access to this page and update their activity details.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ITS is a multisectoral approach from all the sectors; final draft distributed to all sectors. Next step is GoL approval.</li> <li>- Shelter strategy derived from RRP5, winterization targeting and C.P will be discussed on Tuesday in the shelter sector W.G meeting.</li> <li>- Because of the slow process of identification of sites for formal tented settlements; UNHCR met with 6 out of 8 of the union of municipalities of Akkar to discuss buildings for collective shelters, sites for available public lands and houses for rehabilitation. Activity will continue elsewhere and data shared with all agencies through UNHCR IM.</li> <li>- UNHCR in collaboration with MoSA , will continue to interact with municipalities in Bekaa and Akkar</li> <li>- The difficulties of border monitoring were reiterated in view of the existence of many unofficial border crossings in the Bekaa and the North.</li> <li>- There is a list of public sites, provided by MoSA, which might be available for the tented settlements. The list will be cross-checked with the relevant municipalities and unions, and will be available to interested partners.</li> <li>- MoSA welcomes delivery of services from partners to the ITS; especially from WASH &amp; Health sectors.</li> <li>- MoSA is not in favor of relocating people and the use of fixed structures.</li> <li>- MoSA does not authorize the use of wooden structures for refugees, including those built by the refugees</li> </ul>

	<p>on private land.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ECHO: It is important to have a winterization plan for a proper targeting.</li> <li>- UNHCR each sector has prepared their own sector plan on winterization which needs to be coordinated into a more developed plan. (shelter &amp; NFI are the main sectors in winterization)</li> </ul> <p><u>Action point:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Discuss in the next shelter W.G the issue of wooden houses self-made by the refugees - winterization point of view</li> </ul>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Vulnerability Assessment/Profiling exercise – Updates by WFP</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Comprehensive consultation processes with the sectors almost complete to gather vulnerability criteria per sector, which will be shared with all sectors once agreed upon;</li> <li>- By the end of July there will be very clear proposals for criteria from all sectors</li> <li>- By August will plan the implementation of the profiling exercise.</li> </ul>
<b>6.</b>	<b>IA Contingency Plan briefing</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sector Leads to include contingency planning in meeting agenda:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Validate the list of preparedness actions – are they correct?</li> <li>✓ Identify responsibilities</li> <li>✓ Assign tasks</li> <li>✓ Agree deadlines</li> <li>✓ Look at the response actions / flow chart in the same way</li> </ul> </li> <li>- UNHCR Area Offices have already taken the area level list of preparedness / response actions &amp; are addressing them at their:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Inter-agency meetings</li> <li>✓ Sectoral working group meetings</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Small steering group to monitor state of readiness / compliance            → And complete preparedness actions, <b>before it happens</b></li> </ul>
<b>7.</b>	<b>AOB</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The health brochures have been revised many times by PHC centers and hospitals and the posters have been shared with all partners, field offices and registration sites.</li> <li>- MoSA agrees to the use of timber in latrines (WASH)</li> <li>- Government approves settlements for 20 tents (supported by NGOs) as well as WASH measurements</li> <li>- A request was raised from the Food security W.G to establish a nutrition W.G; it was agreed at the Health WG meeting that 30 minutes would be dedicated to nutrition at the end of the health WG agenda. This would allow those partners not working in nutrition to leave and those partners in the FSSWG to attend the meeting relevant to them.</li> </ul>

### Attachments

Document	Location
Presentations	I.A presentation : <a href="http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/download.php?id=2371">http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/download.php?id=2371</a> C.P presentation : <a href="http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/download.php?id=2372">http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/download.php?id=2372</a>