



Key messages:

All new activities in the camp MUST be approved and coordinated with: (a) the government (b) camp management. Camp management will approve requests supported by the relevant sector and if they are cost effective, focused, constructive and have the greatest possible impact. All activities in the camp have an effect on overall security, so it is imperative to go through the correct procedures before commencing any activity in the camp. Any organisation that does not respect this condition will have their permission to operate in the camp revoked by camp management.

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Actions:

Ref	Actions from previous meetings	Who	When	Done?
Emerging issue				
Security				
2/7	Incident reports should be completed for all incidents, and shared with UNHCR FSA	All	Ongoing	Ongoing
Camp Management				
06/08	Any meetings with refugees should now take place in the shared meeting area in the buffer zone. Pedestrian gate is open.	All	Ongoing	Ongoing
03/09	Agencies planning to have a regular physical presence in the compounds should express their interest to UNHCR camp management	Mohamed Jertila@unchr.org	Ongoing	
03/09	Base Camp Management: Team Connect Contact details across Please Fill RFO in advance of any issues.	Azmi Alhasany Team Connectazmi@team-connect.co 0798021719		
10/09	Meeting rooms to be booked 48 hours in advance	Irene Omundi omondii@unhcr.org 0796324611		
17/09	Electricity contact	John Simpson simpson@unhcr.org 0796304667		
29/10	Press Officer/ External Relations	Andy Needham Needham@unhcr.org 0798175813		
29/10	Mass Information Contact	Naserdine Touaibia touaibia@unhcr.org 0798611914		
03/12	All agencies planning to distribute any NFI item in the camp must get prior approval from camp management.	Sobia Oberg oberg@unhcr.org 0796324737		

The general security situation in the camp for the past week was relatively calm. Caravan distribution is ongoing and 131 were distributed during the week. Illegal power connections all over the camp are still a main concern to the refugee safety.

Camp manager provided an update on discussions held at SAG. Tensions between refugees and the host communities are rising. This can have serious implications in terms of security. All the agencies working in the area need to be more careful about recruitment of local staff and there is a need to recruit local staff from

Mafraq, also there is a need to have quick impact projects for the surroundings of the camp. Camp management will circulate guidance on the issue of recruitment.

- Despite repeated reminders, still not all agencies are attending the CMC. Agencies who do not participate in meetings were identified at CMC and their presence was requested for future coordination meetings.
- At times, events have been initiated without informing security and camp management in time.
- Agencies have been reminded at CMC that any new activity has to be approved by the sector working group level as well as by the camp management. Agencies are requested to complete the 3Ws for the camp activities.

Physical Rollout of compounds

Eight administrative district compounds are ready. SRCD claims lacking the ability to provide security to these compounds which delays the rollout of the governance programme.

Rollout of governance plan:

District teams have been formed and the district meetings started from 26 January. As the district compounds are not ready, the initial two weeks' meetings will take place at the base camp. Contact details of the district teams have been shared and partners focus areas in each district presented. Key issues raised during the meetings include; referral of cases and coordination of assistance provision which is still a challenge in the absence of clear TOR for various actors. This will be discussed further with partners during follow on meetings.

The District Team Meetings were held in all districts with partners, who report that they find these meetings a useful forum to discuss relevant issues. A highlighted need is for all partners to share their referral mechanism information to ensure that there is no excessive referring/cross referring etc within the camp.

Site Planning and Infrastructure:

Base course works finished, shading fixed above waiting area, stairs fixed for caravan entrance, refugees entrance pathway was fenced, and fences were shaded. Base course finished for the religious court and stairs fixed for caravan entrance. World Vision continues construction of sub-base layers in District 12. Fencing is done, main gate 6 m entrance door installed, and one tent relocated inside the fenced area. There is an issue with the cell phone network and this need to be raised with the telecom companies operating in the area.

Electricity:

Work continues on the marketplace street connections. The work is ongoing on government compound electrification. MV expansion to district 5 and Tazweed supermarket completed. The connection of medium voltage network to District 6,7, 8 will be completed next week. Electrical engineer advised the agencies planning new activities in the camp to include the provision of electricity as well as part of the plan.

WASH:

Following on from the change in the UNICEF desludging contract for wastewater collection and disposal, there was a severe interruption to these services resulting in sewage and grey water flooding in parts of the camp. In response, there was public protest and prevention of water supply trucking in some area (as a form of protest). The new contractor has now increased the truck fleet to anticipated levels and the situation appears to be under control. In response to the dissatisfaction expressed by refugees regarding the insufficient desludging in the past weeks, the Field Unit shared the message with refugees that contractors recently changed and that the desludging would be returning to normal.

NRC has been installing a second wave of rodent poison in the camp. In consultation with UNHCR, they have modified their methodology to further reduce the risk of children being able to access the poison.

Food:

WFP is trying to move away from in-kind food and plan to start 100% food distribution through vouchers. In urban setting the master cards are being used to serve the refugees. Both Safeway and Tazweed are fully operational now together with 15 CBOs and have commodities available at a lower rate. Since schools are not in session no food was provided.

Protection:

Prime Minister's office has agreed to waive off the fee on the new born babies in the camp (not registered within 30 days of birth). With this development 700 to 800 children who were not registered earlier will be registered.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday 11 February 2014, at Za'atari Base Camp meeting room 4, at 14:00.