



Minutes of INTER-AGENCY DONORS' MEETING

Beirut, 30 May 2014

Meeting Location	UNHCR- 8th floor conference room	Meeting Time	10:00 A.M
Chair person	Mr. Jean Nicolas Beuze Assistant Representative Coordination	Meeting Duration	1 hr 30 min
Minutes Prepared by	Lara Techekirian -Inter-agency Coordination Associate		
Purpose of Meeting	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. RRP mid-term update 2. Shelter Survey 3. Water Scarcity (update from last week's workshop re. preparedness) 4. AOB 		

Summary of discussions and action points

1.	1. RRP mid-term update by Jean Nicolas Beuze- Assistant Representative Coordination
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ RRP6 Mid-Year Review coordinated at sector level <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Agreed standard activities ○ Pre-categorized activities ○ Re-affirmed sector priorities and agreed on cross-sectoral priorities ▪ Submissions were revised using online platform (Activity Info) ▪ Final report for 15 June to be launched on 1 July 2014 ▪ 63 appealing partners, decentralized by 5 Areas of Operation ▪ Estimated funding requirements: USD 1.7 billion (currently 22% funded) ▪ Revised requirements by sector was presented and a summary distributed to participants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Decreases in Protection, Public Health, Shelter, and WASH ○ Increases in Education, Basic Needs and Social Cohesion & Livelihoods ▪ Questions on division of labour – aiming for one partner per location implementing activities in all sectors; and cash – determining what can be monetized so to decrease storage/logistics costs, PDM important to determine the impact of cash programmes on refugees and host communities.
2.	Shelter Survey by Mohamad Mukalled - Senior Field Coordinator- Shelter
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Shelter survey conducted in March that interviewed 6,000 families. ▪ Comparisons made with the August 2013 shelter survey highlighted a decrease in refugees living in apartments and an increase towards living in substandard shelters (informal settlements, unfinished houses, worksites). ▪ Refugees pay an average of US\$ 202 per month in rent ▪ For the month of March, refugees spent US\$ 32.5 million in rent ▪ Refugee families are addressing the increasing rents by sharing accommodation leading to congestion or moving to sub-standard shelters as a cheaper option ▪ 40% of refugees live in sub-standard shelters impacting severely on protection, WASH, health and winterization needs. ▪ Priorities remain site improvement of IS, rehabilitation of Lebanese-owned buildings, weatherproofing sub-standard shelters, collective-site management and coordination, continued advocacy for larger formal settlements and cash for shelter for vulnerable families.

3.	Water Scarcity by Ross Tomlinson – Senior WASH Coordinator
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Water scarcity describes a situation where the demand for water outstrips the available means to supply water ▪ Lebanon is rich in water compared to other countries in the region; however there has been a pattern of dry years noted in the recent past. ▪ From the 505 million cubic metres (MCM) spent on domestic uses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 48% is estimated to be 'lost' due to production inefficiency, pipe network leakages and theft. ○ Average Lebanese person consumes 205 litres per day. ○ Refugees living in apartments consume an estimated 175 LPD; those living in sub-standard shelters will consume much less. ▪ 2014 a concern due to large water deficit – estimated at around 720 MCM ▪ UNHABITAT has 14 potential water projects, estimated at approx. \$1.2 Million, serving 150,000 Lebanese and 25,000 Syrian. Funding required strengthening the water scarcity response in the short-term. ▪ 2014 to-date total beneficiaries of water infrastructure are 427,000 of which 324,000 are affected Lebanese and 75,000 and 27,000 are Syrian and PRS respectively. ▪ UNHCR has accelerated preparation for scarcity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Coordinating with the GOL in task force on water scarcity ○ Coordinating across sectors – with full engagement from health and social cohesion ○ Preparing an action plan that is currently in field review ▪ Query on mapping – UNDP has launched a conflict mapping tool and a team at the MOEW is providing technical support to the Ministry regarding the water scarcity and preparedness plan.
5.	AOB
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ UNDP is to undertake an Economic Assessment Study to track the benefits of Lebanese host communities through the RRP.

Attachments

Document	Location
Presentation RRP6 Summary of Sectoral Changes	http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/download.php?id=5967 Attached.