



ESWG Meeting Minutes – 11 Jan 2016. (UNICEF 12:00-14:00 hrs)

Agencies present: ACTED, ARDD, BC, CVT, Caritas, FCA, ICMC, Intersos, KnK, MECCL, NRC, PI, Questscope, RTP, SCI, UNHCR, UNOPS, TWLR, TDH Lausanne, ISWG coordinator

Agenda:

- 1) Review minutes and action points
- 2) School Health Program
- 3) Work plan
- 4) Updates about HE.
- 5) YTF updates
- 6) AoB (Syrian Education Committee), UNOPS Project update (Schools Construction Repair Project)

1. Review previous minutes and action points:

Minutes were endorsed with minor changes by FCA. Jehan from FCA requested to amend the figure 7 CBOs with UNICEF funding for Makani and 4 schools for remedial education along with renovation.

2. School Health Program

The sector chair introduced his colleagues from H&N section UNICEF for presentation about Integrated School health program and how it was expanded to Makani centres along with the camp, the purpose is to find out ways to strengthen the collaboration between Health and Education Sectors and how both Sectors can support each other.

The main objective of the ISH is to strengthen the management system for scaling up Integrated School Health (ISH) project in government schools and Makani informal education centres in Syrian refugee camps during the year of 2016, the program have 8 components some of them implemented based on the national guidelines by MoH and MOE, the main target for this program is 20000-25000 school children in 28 government schools in five camps and 30000-40000 children in 64 Makani centres in the camps settings, the program have many objectives to assess the impact, capacity building and strength data management system. The ISH program is developed based on existing MoH guidelines that mandated to cover all students in the formal schools, provision of training material and conduct training for teachers are the main scope for this program. The main expected deliverables is to Support School Immunization for all 1st and 10th grades students, Physical Examination of all 1st, 4th, 7th and 10th grades students, Provision of Health and hygiene promotion materials and provide the required follow up on the referred cases.

If partners want to replicate the same program or implement it for informal education it needs to be discussed with the MOH and have to be in the same approach.

3. ESWG-Work Plan 2016:

The sector chair share the work plan 2015 and directed the sector members to reviews all the activities in pair. All the sector members review the plan in details and gave their respective feedback for each component. ISWG coordination also highlighted the prominence of inter sectoral coordination. She highlighted that ESWG should stimulate inter sector collaboration to strengthen our response.

Many sector members suggested that it's better to look through work plan in depth and send feedback to sector chair about those activities which went well in 2015 and need to continue in 2016. Sector members may suggest some other activities which can be included in for this year particularly related to capacity building, preparedness and inter sectoral coordination.

4. Updated About HE:

The Tertiary Education Coordination Group met at the beginning of December 2015 to receive a briefing from Al Fanar Media about a higher education conference they held in October 2015 in Istanbul. They are planning at two additional workshops in 2016 and possibly one in Amman.

UNESCO announced its new EU funded project with Al Quds College/Luminus Education that has officially started in 2016. It is a one year diploma program for 400 Syrian and Jordanian youth to study in one of six fields of study leading to an internationally accredited diploma. For more details, please contact: e.dutton@unesco.org

UNESCO also reminded all members that the UNESCO Jami3ti site has been newly updated with scholarship opportunities for Syrians in Jordan. The site is available at www.unesco.org/jami3ti and members are encouraged to direct youth to the site to learn about what opportunities exist in Jordan and also to contact UNESCO if they have opportunities that they would like to advertise. Please contact UNESCO at jami3ti@unesco.org



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UNHCR will prepare an informational brief on the protection issues around the provision of scholarships, particularly opportunities outside of Jordan. Once this is finalized it will be shared with relevant stakeholders.

German-Jordanian University announced its new EDU-SYRIA project, funded by the EU. Scholarships will be provided for Syrians and Jordanians to attend local institutions. The project is led by the German Jordanian University in cooperation with three partner institutes: Zarqa University, Yarmouk University and Al-Quds College. For more details please contact Dhiah.Aboutair@gju.edu.jo

5. YTF updates

British Council English Placement Tests: Next round of English courses to start in March for youth with potential to study Higher Education. Placement tests will be held on Wednesdays from 27th January for four weeks, locations to be confirmed. Agencies are requested to share information about the opportunity with relevant youth.

YTF Fact Sheet: The YTF fact sheet for January 2016 is now in draft form. It will be finalized mid-January and translated into Arabic for distribution among youth in the camp for their feedback. The advocacy message in this issue is around how youth are engaged in the community with various initiatives and activities that are benefitting the community.

YTF Action Plan for 2016: This year, the YTF will not hold a specific workshop to draft the AP. Rather, there will be 2 dedicated regular YTF meetings set aside to go through the AP from 2015 to see what is still relevant for 2016 and what needs to be changed/added. This will be done in coordination with PSWG and ESWG and chairs from relevant WGs such as CM, CP/SGBV and ADTF will be invited to those 2 meetings on 19 and 26 January to provide input.

YTF members and volunteers exchanges: During 2016, YTF members will be hosting the regular meeting once a month in various centers across Zaatari. The main objective will be an exchange of knowledge and best practices of different organisations and their respective centers which will in turn lead to better referral processes for youth activities and services in the camp.

6. AoB – Syrian Education Committee - UNOPS school construction repair project

Syrian Education Committee (SYC): SYC is a national committee constituted under Queen Rania Foundation, Three ESWG members (UNHCR, UNICEF and ARDD) are part of this committee. The mandate of this committee to discuss Syrian refugee education opportunities and how they can move forward and mobilize the resources.

Subcommittee prepared a draft paper to address the challenges for the Syrian education and they proposed solutions for 2016 for the next stage. ESWG members requested to have more information about this committee and its role. Moreover, how they are coordinating with existing coordination structure like ESWG, JRP TF for education.

UNOPS Project update: UNOPS is developing project management and procurement that is implemented on behalf of USAID. They will provide furniture, equipment, and constructing a school in Al-Taiba, UNOPS focused on 18 school that was funded by USAID and 25 school that UNOPS already worked. In total UNOPS is focusing on 44 Schools. Currently, they don't have data for Syrian children who are studying in these schools.

WFP colleagues raised the point that few organizations are approaching to them for date bar distribution for IFE, remedial and NFE beneficiaries. Sector chair suggested include IFE and NFE beneficiaries only because Remedial education recipients have already received date bar in formal school.

SUMMARY ACTION POINTS

Action points	Responsible agency	Deadline
Sector chair will share 2015 work plan to review and feedback by all members about the activities which can be carries forward in 2016	Sector chair	16 Jan
Sector chair will share the school health program presentation	Sector chair	16 Jan
Syrian Education Committee members to provide updates regarding the subcommittee role and plan.	UNHCR, UNICEF, ARDD	Next meeting
Sector chair will share the beneficiaries for IFE and NFE in camp	Sector chair	ASAP

The next meeting will be on **15th Feb, 2016** at UNICEF.

Agenda:

- 1) Review minutes and action points
- 2) Co-chair and ToR review
- 3) Discuss about Work plan
- 4) 4 Ws at national level.
- 5) AoB- updates about Committee for Syrian Education