

(CCCM and) NFI Cluster Meeting

Rakhine State

Date: Friday 11th November 2016

Time: 10am – 11.15am Location: UNHCR, Sittwe

Chair: Richard Tracey (CCCM Cluster Coordinator)

Participants: DRC (1), LWF (1), NRC (2), RI (1), Solidarities (1), UNHCR (3)

Absences: SCI, MAUK, MRCS, ICRC, MRF

Minutes

1. Introductions

- Welcoming remarks from CCCM Cluster coordinator.
- Round table introductions
- Agreement on the agenda
- Absence of some agencies involved in NFI distributions was noted SCI, MAUK, ICRC, MRCS, IFRC & MRF

2. Lessons learnt from past NFI distributions

Participants conducted a brief round table discussion of past NFI distributions. Key points raised include:

LWF	 Conducted NFI distribution in 2013, 2014 & 2015. 2nd year attempted cash-based assistance – negative reaction from Rakhine community at Muslims receiving cash. Core NFI kits are inappropriate – Items are not required and consequently sold / IDPs voiced a preference for cash. Post distribution monitoring revealed 50-60% of household sold NFIs within a week of receiving them as some items were not required
DRC	 Conducted a cash programming feasibility study in 2015 - Cash appropriate for Sittwe but not Pauktaw with limited access to markets. Pauktaw IDPs voiced a preference to receive NFI items rather than cash. Expressed concern that following the events of 9th Oct in Maungdaw, demand and availability of NFIs in Sittwe markets has reduced. However, these markets may spontaneously rejuvenate if demand increases. Raised concern that CMCs impose taxes on IDPs for NFI distributions of 200-300 MMK/HH. During cash-based assistance for livelihoods activities, CMCs were demanding 20%.
NRC	 Distributed NFIs in Tet Kael Pyin IDP (Oct 2016) – 20HH immediately sold their NFIs to cover medical expenses.
RI	 NFIs distributed in Taung Pa, Myebon were sold almost immediately. IDPs voiced a preference for cash
SI	 Informed partners about a WASH TWiG on hygiene kits. SI will share and update partners on the progress of this TWiG at CCCM meetings

3. Needs Assessment

Partners agreed on the need for a Cluster level harmonized needs assessment on NFIs in order to consult with IDPs on their perceived NFI needs and to develop criteria for targeting if appropriate.

Action Points

- NFI partners to share soft copies of all previous NFI needs assessments and post distribution monitoring (PDM) with DRC and CCCM/NFI Cluster for compilation.
- DRC to be focal point for the development of methodology & needs assessment tool for future NFI distributions

4. Implementation Modalities

- CCCM/NFI Cluster to conduct NFI distributions every 6 months to ensure appropriate
 NFIs are distributed relative to the season to reduce the risk of resale.
 - Dry/cool season NFIs
 - o Rainy season NFIs
- CCCM/NFI partners believe a combination of NFI distributions of key high quality items as well as targeted cash distributions to support equity will be required. A Cluster level decision will be taken following the findings from the Cluster NFI needs assessment.

5. AOB

a) Solar Lanterns

- CCCM Cluster coordinator presented a range of new solar lanterns (Awango).
- CCCM / NFI partners were impressed with the product and will feedback to their offices.

Action Points

 CCCM coordinator to share the technical specifications and presentation made by Total at the last national shelter/CCCM/NFI meeting in Yangon (26th Oct).

Contact for Awango solar lanterns

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b) Stakeholder / conflict analysis study in Ah Nauk Ywe

- LWF updated partners on the progress towards conducting the study. CDA have been contracted to conduct the study.
- LWF invited all CCCM partners to participate in a 3-day training on the conflict / stakeholder analysis.