Minutes of INTER-SECTORAL MEETING
Beirut, 5 August 2016

Meeting Location	UNHCR 1st floor conference room	Meeting Time	10:00 A.M
Chair person	Aimee karam (MoSA)	**Meeting Duration**	2 h
Co-Chair person	NA		
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Purpose of Meeting	▪ Assessments/joint quarterly monitoring ▪ OCHA Lebanon Humanitarian Fund ▪ Community Mapping ▪ AOB		

Summary of discussions and action points

1	**Assessments/joint quarterly monitoring**
	▪ UNDP is implementing a project under the title "Rapid Poverty Assessment in Lebanon" (RPA). This project is being conducted under the leadership of the Ministry of Social Affairs and in partnership with UNICEF and WFP, and AUB. The RPA will be based on a survey of a representative sample of 4,000 households ▪ The project will estimate a poverty interval, relying on Multidimensional Poverty Indicators (MPI); this would be based on an extrapolation of the latest poverty data (2004) ▪ Data collection is finalized - to be released by end September

	- A comprehensive report will be available at the end of 2016, and it will assess the poverty level in Lebanon at the national and regional levels, in light of the Syrian crisis. It will also estimate the poverty gap and recommend measures to decrease poverty in Lebanon - A request was made to share a concept note on the RPA in order to provide sectors more details on the outline/methodology - Social Stability Sector coordinator highlighted the monitoring framework which aimed at mapping of indicators related to community structures for the Social Stability sector on a quarterly basis, the sector is looking to expand key indicators with different sectors - A request was made by the health sector coordinator to flag via email the coordinators when updating assessments on the web portal - The Assessment Registry Can be downloaded directly from the [Inter-Agency Information Sharing Portal](#) For any question related, please contact Typhaine Gendron at gendron@un.org
2.	**OCHA Lebanon HF 2016 2nd Allocation**
	- The Lebanon Humanitarian Fund (LHF) launched the second call for proposals at beginning of August. This allocation aims to address the increasing vulnerability of the communities affected by the Syria crisis in line with the Lebanon Crisis Response Plan (LCRP) 2016 strategic objectives. - The allocation comprises two windows: **Window 1:** Calling for joint programmes targeting urban settings and covering identified gaps within the three following sectors: Energy & Water, Shelter and Social Stability; **Window 2:** Calling for innovative projects covering the top priorities identified across the most under-funded sectors: Shelter, Water and Energy, Protection (GBV/ Disability and Elderly), Health and Social stability

	▪ Prior to submitting application, interested organizations are requested to contact to OCHA Lebanon Humanitarian Financing Unit (HFU) in order to: (1) confirm Due Diligence status and (2) complete required Capacity Assessment.
	▪ All applications should be submitted online via the Grant Management System (GMS) at (cbpf.unocha.org) by COB on 17 August 2016.
	▪ The overall timeline of the allocation was highlighted (presentation attached for ease of reference)
	▪ Sector coordinators are tasked to guide applicants on priorities per sector and confirm availability of committee members as per a schedule to be shared with sector coordinators
	▪ Following the presentation, Food security /LHIF coordinators expressed concerns on the LHF consultations process such as lack of transparency and failure to represent all of the sectors. OCHA fund manager called sector coordinators to develop Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for future allocations in order to have a more clear work flow at the different phases of the allocation taking in consideration the timeframe in the LHF Operational Manual 2015 – 2016
	▪ OCHA Humanitarian Funding Unit is available to receive feedback from stakeholders who believe they have been treated unfairly during any of the Lebanon HF processes. OCHA will compile, review, address and, if necessary, raise the issues to the HC, who will then take a decision on necessary action. All complaints could be sent to Lebanonhumanitarianfund@un.org
3.	**Community Mapping**
	▪ As part of the Community Mapping exercise, sector coordinators were asked to provide basic details on the committee/community groups being formed in their respective sector by 1) checking if any activities related to community groups are missing, and 2) providing a short description of the

		roles and responsibilities of each of the committees/community groups
		▪ Sectors provided Inputs (except Energy & Water and Education).
4	**AOB**	
		▪ **Basic Assistance (BA) Sector:** New targeting approach was endorsed by the BA Working group. When applying the new approach, some cases receiving assistance will migrate from a vulnerability group to another; an in-depth analysis of the profile of those families is being undertaken. In addition, a group of least vulnerable families receiving assistance based on the old system will be discontinued. As a way forward, the sector will adopt the desk formula for all new inclusions – as an immediate effect, 10,000 severely vulnerable households (HH) were added in the August caseload. All discontinuation of assistance will happen through a phased approach. Communication strategies with beneficiaries are being developed in collaboration with the Protection sector. A more detailed presentation of the differences between both system will be made in the next BAWG. **Action Point** ▪ A request was made to develop a one pager on the new desk formula and share it with non-BA actors. ▪ **LCRP Update:** LCRP Steering Committee Meeting to be held on Monday August 8 in order to discuss 1) LCRP 2016: achievements and gaps 2) Planning process and timeline for 2017-2020. The Guidance Note for the planning process of LCRP 2017-2020, which has been previously circulated for comments, will be re-circulated in a revised version that includes the comments made by the GoL counterparts. ▪ **Public Institutions Support tracking (PIST):** The document will be re-structured and uploaded on the web portal by next week. ▪ Next Inter-sectoral meeting will be held on Friday, 2nd of September @10:00AM (Venue TBC).