

## Shelter / NFI / CCCM National Cluster Meeting Minutes

10:00 – 12:00, Wednesday, June 12, 2013

### UNHCR YGN

**Attendees:** UNHCR, LWF, Malteser International, CCCM Cluster Coordinator (Rakhine), Shelter Cluster Global Focal Point for Communication & Advocacy, TIKA, Solidarities, ACTED, Care, UNICEF, IOM, DRC & OCHA

**Advanced notification sent that not attending meeting:** Save the Children & IFRC

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action / Actor / Date
<b>Monthly Data Reporting:</b> “Shelter/NFI/CCCM”	<p>A draft version of the intended monthly <i>Cluster Analysis Report</i> was shown (by use of a projector). It will cover information on Shelter/NFI/CCCM needs and progress. A template has been developed for the Cluster Leads at the state level, which will allow them to provide input on monthly basis, which will be consolidated in a central database. Based on this information the Cluster will work to develop some output products, including dashboards, 3W matrix, infographics and maps. These will be regularly shared with all members plus be available via the website.</p> <p>When looking at the data, Solidarities questioned to what degree will the NFI data reflect the fact that new distributions will be required to replenish items that have reached the end of their life cycle or are consumable? Additionally Solidarities noted for example there was a significant gap in mosquito nets and tarpaulins in Rakhine.</p>	<p>A <u>draft</u> version of the <i>Cluster Analysis Report</i> to be shared with all Cluster members within the next two weeks for their feedback and comments.</p> <p>UNHCR Information Management (IM) Officer to discuss this issue with his IM equivalents in Rakhine and Kachin.</p> <p>CC to liaise with CCCM/NFI Cluster Coordinator in Rakhine on this gap in items issue.</p>
<b>Shelter Cluster Global Focal Point:</b> “Advocacy & Communication”	<p>Timo Luege (TL) was introduced to the participants. TL is the Global Focal Point for Communication &amp; Advocacy for Shelter Cluster. Based in Europe, but with significant scope for travel where Shelter Clusters are active. He has</p>	

	<p>various elements, which includes working with the Cluster on media &amp; social media monitoring. The link for the media monitoring is: <a href="http://storify.com/ShelterCluster">http://storify.com/ShelterCluster</a>.</p> <p>The Cluster Coordinator (CC) noted that in April he had contacted all national cluster members about their interest in receiving media monitoring needs and noted that there had been no feedback or interest.</p> <p>TL is on mission to Myanmar for four weeks. He will work closely with the CC to produce various products for immediate use in-country. In addition TL intends to review aspects of the Cyclone Mahasen response during which OCHA was reputedly receiving 100 calls per day from different journalists around the world. He will look at which things worked well and the challenges associated with communication and advocacy for the Cluster and how key messages the Cluster needs to get across can be communicated/fed into various advocacy/communication channels. This will likely include <i>Key Messages</i> for the Cluster.</p> <p>Additionally a leaflet has been designed, distributed amongst the participants, in English. It will also be available in Myanmar and available on the website. Its title: <i>Working towards Safe, Dignified and Appropriate Living Conditions</i>.</p> <p>TL is also producing a one page infographic, less data dense and more visual to get across some of the key challenges/areas of progress in Rakhine. It is hoped this will have real utility for the media and general public.</p> <p>TL also noted that he intends to</p>	
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	meet Cluster members who have a dedicated media or communications person.	
<b>Meiktila Mission: “Update”</b>	<p>Following the CC’s mission to Meiktila to get a better sense of the displacement, living conditions in camps, particularly the shelter and CCCM situation. In an effort to hone in on some of the key issues witnessed, some photos were displayed, notably of the crowded conditions in the “Stadium” camp.</p> <p>CC particularly appreciated the logistical support provided by OCHA, which has allowed him to visit camps and host families in Yin Daw and then (bar one) all the IDP camps in Meiktila. He also attended a meeting with local Government and the General Coordination Meeting. Attendees were Save the Children, Action Aid and AMDA. Citing OCHA’s report and the recommendations that were more relevant to this Cluster the CC stressed <u>support for CCCM training</u>. It was evident that significant local and/or private assistance was assisting many of the displaced and while this Cluster had supported some NFI gaps during the initial displacement, it had been focussed on gap filling rather than blanket distribution.</p> <p>The CC noted issues/problems with many of the shelters built, notably size/strength and their durability (unlikely to be) no more than six months, <u>maximum</u>. However, the key and pressing issue was those living in the “Stadium” camp.</p> <p>OCHA stated that it was very difficult to get any clarity on the Government Plans and the Chief Minister (CM) had taken charge of</p>	

	<p>the matter. They were in the process of trying to get a meeting with the CM. ACTED raised their concerns about the lack of trust amongst the affected population in terms of their security. Solidarities raised the security issue for the “Stadium” camp in terms of lack of clear evacuation plan.</p> <p>Responding to the last point the CC noted that with the exception of one camp in Meiktila, the overwhelming response of the IDPs is they wanted to return to their place of origin saying they felt safe to do so. Whether they received assistance or not, this would not hold them back were if they were given the right to return. However, particularly in central areas of Meiktila Town huge amounts of rubble still remained and even if they wanted to return it would not be feasible. In other situations almost all evidence of people previously living on the land was gone.</p> <p>The CC stressed that solutions for this caseload of IDPs, over 8,000 in total, seemed very unclear. More immediate issues such as freedom of movement for those in the camps, particularly the “Stadium”, should be a priority.</p> <p>Concluding this item, the CC had welcomed the chance to visit the area but any sort of engagement would remain a very “light touch”. The Cluster has been activated for Rakhine and Kachin States and the demands on resources just to meet these priorities / responsibilities remained intense. Other incidents of similar displacement elsewhere in the country further illustrated the fact that at this juncture the Cluster did</p>	
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	not have the capacity or resources to engage in all these different areas across Myanmar. The focus remains firmly Kachin and Rakhine, the two states where the Cluster had been activated.	
<b>Rakhine &amp; Kachin: “CCCM Critical Needs”</b>	<p>Noting his most recent mission to Rakhine (5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> June) the CC stressed the critical need for more CCCM activities in Rakhine. Particularly now the shelters were going up fast, the need for CCCM was becoming acute. Currently there was only approximately US\$100,000 available to meet all CCCM needs in Rakhine. This stood against between US\$10 million and US\$20 million being spent on temporary shelters.</p> <p>To make the point the CC showed two pictures of two different camps in Rakhine, one where the land was unsuitable to build temporary shelters but there was something of a CCCM presence due to the very engaged presence of Solidarites in WASH, and another where significant numbers of shelters were built but there was no CCCM presence. The squalid nature of the latter was clear for all to see (see photos below).</p> <p>Noting this massive CCCM challenge, Jolanda Van Dijk (<a href="mailto:vandijkj@unhcr.org">vandijkj@unhcr.org</a>) was introduced to the group. Jolanda will be working as the overall CCCM Cluster Coordinator in Rakhine. There will now be two internationals in Rakhine solely dedicated to CCCM Cluster Responsibilities, the other being Andrea Paiato (AP) who had been based in Sittwe since March. She mentioned that there were 89 total camps in total. However, the priority was the 14 camps in <u>rural</u></p>	<p>Cluster members who are interested to work on CCCM issues in Rakhine were requested to contact either the CC in Yangon or the CCCM Cluster in Rakhine. All necessary details can be found on the website.</p> <p>The CC stressed the need to advocate with the donors about critical shortfall in CCCM funding needs. He would be doing as much through various channels. Initial estimates suggest the critical CCCM needs for the next <u>six months</u> requires US1 million. The CC noted the “tragedy” it would be if having made major inroads on shelter (numbers built, money spent and Government engagement) much of this progress was eroded. If the</p>

	<p>Sittwe Township and the seven other camps in Myebon and Pauktaw Townships.</p> <p>DRC also pointed out the need to develop guidelines for Camp Managers, which will also clarify their role and level of their authority.</p> <p>The final point was that in some camps Camp Managers were being appointed by the Government. However, reasons for their appointment or knowledge of their role were not clear. AP had organised a training session for these appointees in rural Sittwe, close to many of the camps, 7<sup>th</sup> June. The material used (which is in Myanmar language) would also be uploaded to the website and listed under the tab that said <i>Trainings</i>.</p>	<p>software needs were not met now, squalid ghettos were inevitable. The CC also stressed that if the some of the worst traits that one can see in camps were not addressed against now they would be all the harder to address further down the line, once embedded.</p> <p>The CC referred to hard copies of the Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM), <i>Roles and Responsibilities &amp; Activities</i>, which would be uploaded to website.</p>
<b>Rakhine:</b> "Shelter Situation one year on"	<p>CC said that ECHO had recently visited Rakhine and though they were not funding shelter he had attended ECHO's debrief for humanitarian actors in Sittwe. There had been modest reference to shelter, positive in terms of the progress that had been made. There was no reference to CCCM or NFI during this debrief.</p> <p>Overall temporary shelter progress was positive and a copy of a PowerPoint presentation called <i>Shelter Cluster Temporary Shelter in Rakhine State (1 year on)</i> was circulated. Again this would soon be on the website. Pictures of one of the camps from Myebon Township from March and then early June was shown to all</p>	

	<p>meanwhile construction continues, despite huge challenges during the rainy season (see photos below).</p> <p>Care informed the forum that they had been requested by the Government to build 227 shelters in rural Sittwe. Their plans were to include soft components, plus meet WASH and education needs.</p>	
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Cluster meeting will be held in Northern Shan 15<sup>th</sup> June, next week. CC was encouraged to see this coordination gap was being addressed.</li> <li>➤ Advocacy notes were circulated among participants, prepared by Humanitarian Protection Working Group (Protection Sector).</li> <li>➤ There was the Lesson Learned w/shop on Cyclone Mahasen, organized by OCHA. CC noted that points raised at the previous national Cluster meeting were fed in and welcomed the fact that other Cluster members were present at this w/shop, which had been a positive exercise.</li> <li>➤ Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) was held, hosted and chaired by DRC, 10<sup>th</sup> June.</li> <li>➤ ACTED is planning to have a contingency stock for Myanmar.</li> </ul>	Minutes to be drafted and circulated by CC.

Next YGN meeting likely to be June 26<sup>th</sup> 10.00, UNHCR YGN Office and members were also encouraged to check the [http://themimu.info/Meeting\\_Schedule/index.php](http://themimu.info/Meeting_Schedule/index.php) for confirmation. Also nearer the time the CC would send an email confirmation and as before, the agenda.



**Documents shared in hard copy with the participants at the meeting included:**

Shelter/NFI/CCCM YGN Cluster Meeting Minutes, 22.5.'13; minutes cleared and uploaded to website

Global Focal point for Communications and Advocacy, Terms of Reference: *Mission to Myanmar*

*Working towards Safe, Dignified and Appropriate Living Conditions, The Work of the Shelter, Non-Food Items, Camp Coordination and Camp Management Cluster*, uploaded to website

Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM), *Roles and Responsibilities & Activities*, uploaded to website

*Shelter Cluster Temporary Shelter in Rakhine State (1 year on)*, June 1st 2013, uploaded to website

Humanitarian Protection Working Group (Protection Sector) Advocacy Note, 30 May 2013, *Two-Child Policy in Rakhine State*

Humanitarian Protection Working Group (Protection Sector) Advocacy Note, 6 June 2013, *Pa Rein Village Rohingya Women Shot Dead*

*Inter-Sector-Cluster (ICC) Meeting Minutes*, 6th June '13

*Update from Shelter-NFI-CCCM Cluster for 6<sup>th</sup> June '13 ICC meeting*

**Photos**



**CCCM Not Present - Say Tha Mar Gyi, rural Sittwe Township, Rakhine State, June 2013**



**CCCM Present - Teh Chaung, rural Sittwe Township, Rakhine State, June 2013**



**Taung Paw, Myebon Township, Rakhine State, March 2013**



**Taung Paw, Myebon Township, Rakhine State, June 2013**



**Constructing Shelters During Rainy Season, rural Sittwe Township, June '13**