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### 3RP-Turkey Food Security and Agriculture Sector WG Meeting Minutes Thursday March 18, 2021 at 14:00hrs

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**FAO Participants:** Ertan Aktan, Ercan Dansuk, Orhan Afşin, Shaila Tarannum, Deniz Egerci, Kiyal Akmatbek

Agenda	Discussion	Action Points
<b>Introduction of new participants and agencies/organizational updates on ongoing activities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- New FSA sector coordinator Mr Ertan Aktan was introduced, and he will be leading the FSA sector and related 3RP inter-agency Turkey activities from now onwards.</li><li>- <b>Update from IOM:</b> IOM has livelihoods activities in Gaziantep, Sanliurfa, Hatay offices. As a cash grant intervention; 50 beneficiaries have been supported by IOM in Urfa, Gaziantep, Kilis, Sanliurfa, Hatay. IOM distributed cash and in kind grants to the beneficiaries. Preperation of success stories process is ongoing for Public Information (PI) publishment. Community farming activities are ongoing, training has been started to produce dried fruit and vegetable products for sale and distribution to the market. Under the Entreprize Development Fund (EDF), negotiations will start with the private companies.</li><li>- Two new entrepreneurship activities have initiated, with a collaboration with Mustafa Kemal University in Hatay and the other one is Cukurova University in Adana. The call for applications will last til the end of March.</li><li>- IOM is providing livestock to support 40 beneficiaries, which includes 50% SuTPs and 50% host communities, to the households in rural area located in Gaziantep and Sahinbey. Beneficiary selection criterias are, vulnebality, not having any income, living in rural areas, having livestock experiences, has been trained or willing to be trained by Sahinbey Municipality. The aim of the project is to increase economic and social status and quality of life of rural poor.</li><li>- <b>Update from Concern Worldwide:</b> Small grant and entrepreneurs training support activities are planned for 150 beneficiaries in Hatay, Kilis, Sanliurfa and Gaziantep. Applicaion link for grants will be shared with the FSA WG.</li></ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Update from ESN Programme:</b> ESN programme has been extended for 1 more year until March 2022. So far, 9899 individuals are reached. Camp Food Programme has been extended until the 31 December 2021. Beneficiary cross-checking mechanism is changed to Kizilay Kart Platform Exchange Mechanism, thus widening the scope of its use by other organizations.</li> <li>- <b>Update from MoAF:</b> Potential partnerships have been discussed between GIZ, FAO and MoAF. EU funded MADAD project is ongoing in a collaboration with FAO and MoAF. Training of Trainers (ToTs) will be organized next week. For the visibility of the project, interviews will be held with Director General and counterparts. Farmer Field Schools will start next week. Under 2021 activities, refugees from any nationalities will benefit from the project.</li> <li>- Strategic Development Department of MoAF is working on the Internal Strategy Document for Agriculture Sector. Updates will be shared with the FSA WG.</li> <li>-</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Presentation by UNHCR on FSA sector new indicators 2021-2022 and reporting under Activity info</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- At the start of the year, sectors set objectives, outputs and activity indicators were updated by the sector partners in order to measure progress towards the sector goals and to monitor activities of FSA Sector.</li> <li>- Reports and correct data are coming from FSA sector partners through ActivityInfo, the extracted data then goes to the sector IM/sector coordinator for clearance before publishing on the sector dashboard for that month.</li> <li>- The objective 1 is to improve the food security of Syrians under Temporary Protection and vulnerable communities and prevent them from resorting to food-related negative coping strategies. The objective 2 is to strengthen the resilience of Syrians under Temporary Protection and host communities by increasing self-reliance through employment, increased income and financial assets in the food and agriculture sectors. The objective 3 is to improve local and community-level public and private sector and civil society capacities to respond to the food and agriculture needs of impacted communities.</li> <li>- Total Sectoral Appeal of FSA is 23,196,134 USD for 2021. Appealing agencies are ATAA, FAO, IOM, SHAFAK, UNDP, UNIDO, WATAN, WHH.</li> <li>- The responsibilities of partners are to report on monthly achievements against the set indicators for each geographical location by the 10<sup>th</sup> of every month. It is important that all reporting partners submit the data in timely manner otherwise it would not be reflected in the sector dashboard and there might be a need to have a discussion around sector indicators to see what needs to be changed to report properly. The sector appealing partners can always reach out to the sector IM for clarity and guidance for reporting under any of the indicators.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation to be shared with the FSA partners along with the minutes</li> </ul>
<p><b>Presentation on Social Protection in Agri-food sector by FAO</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>SRRP of FAO:</b> Syrian Refugee Resilience Plan is a guiding document for FAO to support the Government of Turkey in addressing the needs of SuTPs and vulnerable host communities in Turkey.</li> <li>- <b>FAO Assessments and Studies:</b> Agricultural livelihoods and labor market assessment for Syrian refugees and host communities in Turkey implemented in collaboration with Ankara University in 2019. An Analysis of social protection of vulnerable agricultural populations including seasonal agricultural workers and Syrian refugees in Turkey implemented in collaboration with Sosyoloji Derneği in 2018, and Assessment on Social Protection and</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation to be shared with the FSA partners along with the minutes</li> </ul>

	<p>Employability for Syrian Refugee and Host Communities in Agricultural Structure of Turkey conducted in 2020. Basic findings and recommendations will be shared through presentation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- In light of these studies FAO designed its programmes and it aims at promoting self reliance through improved livelihoods and employment creation, self employment, socio-economic integration of refugees and host communities through vocational trainings/language skills, job fairs, and entrepreneurship support. High Woman Participation, Successful Partnerships, Improved Capacity of IPs, Transformation in the perception of Companies about refugees, Social Cohesion &amp; Integration, Adaptation to Work life, 25% Increased Employment, are some of the landmarks achieved.</li> <li>- <b>Social protection and rural poor:</b> Interventions are targeting on improving the labour qualifications, cash support, job and employment creation, supporting formal employment, providing referral services. Mainstreaming issues are gender equality and women’s empowerment and prevention of child labour.</li> <li>- <b>ISKUR Service Points:</b> 10 new ISKUR service points are established to provide the job placement ISKUR services to the rural poor, such as registering trainees into the ISKUR system, while working closely with PDoAF, ISKUR and private sector on generating job opportunities for trainees of skill development cources referral service for intermediaries to ISKUR system, preparing labour market analysis for each province.</li> <li>- There are still gaps at policy level such as seasonal agricultural workers’ access to social assistance schemes. More policy level dialogue with relevant actors and Ministries, the same is planned to start mid of the year, under FSA sector strategy 2021.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Presentation by Kirkayak Kültür on Social Cohesion and Agriculture Sector</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kirkayak Kültür Arts and Nature Association was established in 2011 to open up a space for culture in Gaziantep. The organization aims to open an independent cultural area in Gaziantep and to contribute to cultural heritage by carrying out cultural and artistic activities, to produce areas of social cohesion using art and cultural diversity as means of living together, to raise awareness and visibility on the cultural diversity of Gaziantep at national and international level.</li> <li>- Kirkayak Kültür Art Center has been organizing International Zeugma Film Festival, Mutfak - Matbakh Women Workshop, Center for Migration and Cultural Studies, Dom (Gypsies) Research Workshop.</li> <li>- Women Solidarity for Art is using the power of art to establish ways to live together in the city, thus bringing together refugees and host communities through social and cultural engagement.</li> <li>- Voice of the Subject: Migrant Women’s Labor During the Pandemic Period Kirkayak Kültür pays attention to the problems of immigrant women who became invisible during the pandemic period. As a result of interviews with ten women living in Gaziantep and working in different sectors, it makes the voice of the actors heard with his video and report study.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Presentation to be shared with the FSA partners along with the minutes</li> </ul>
<p><b>AoB</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>FSA sector Survey-update;</b> Technical committee meeting with the technical committee members was held on 9 March 2021. The modality of the survey was discussed, questionarre was shared with members, feedback from partners has been received to the survey questionnaire. Once survey tools are finalized, the same will be shared with all FSA sector partners and a list of interested partners to participate in the survey, will be preraed, inter-</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The draft of the survey questionarre will be shared</li> </ul>

	<p>sector consultations will take place around the survey tools and the survey will start in June 2021. The survey will be conducted on biannual basis. It will inform FSA sector programming and response to address the needs and to identify the gaps.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>FSA sector Technical Advisor nomination for 2021</b>; WFP was nominated in previous FSA sector meeting, WFP agreed to take up the role of Technical Advisor for FSA WG for 2021.</li> </ul>	<p>in the next FSA Sector meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- MoAF will share the survey with PDoAFs and they will send feedback on this.</li> </ul>
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*Next Meeting will be a Workshop: FSA Sector Working Group: Third Thursday of the month i.e. 22<sup>nd</sup> April*