

Minutes
Nutrition Sector Meeting (National level)
 23 October 2015
 Meeting room 3, UNICEF
 14:00-16:00 hr.

Participating agencies: ACF, SCI, Plan, PACT, UNICEF and WFP

Agenda

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| 1. Follow up on action points of last meeting | 4. Update on 2016 Humanitarian Response Plan |
| 2. Sector updates from partners – Rakhine/ Kachin/ floods | 5. Presentation: Kachin Comprehensive IYCF Assessment (Plan) |
| 3. Update on Flood Response Plan | 6. AOB |

Agenda Item	Discussion Points	Action Point
Follow up on action points of last meeting	<p>SMART survey in flood affected area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Need to discuss with NNC for permission; Sector coordinator will follow up with partners. ○ WFP and FAO plan to a Crop and Food Security Assessment Mission (CFSAM) around Nov.-Dec. Nutrition indicators will be included in this survey. ○ SCI plans to assess nutrition (MUAC and IYCF indicators) and food security situation in Chin around November. <p>Over 5 SAM cases</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Can and should be treated – it depends on the capacity of partners to treat these cases. 	<p>To follow up with NNC for MUAC assessment data from 21 flood affected townships.</p> <p>Save and WFP to share information to avoid overlap.</p>
Sector update from Rakhine / Kachin and Flood	<p>SCI:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Final reports from KAP survey in Kachin and KAP and Barrier analysis survey in Rakhine are ready to be shared. ○ Regional office arranges IFE training in Bangkok next month and some partners from Myanmar will participate in this training. ○ Flood response mainly in Magway and Chin. The main focus is on WASH, Food Security and Child Protection in Magway. In Chin, nutrition activities are included under existing health activities. 	<p>SCI to share final survey reports</p>

	<p>PACT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Plans to respond to the recent landslide in Mawchee (Kayah), affecting about 4,000 people, through distribution of food rations for 10 days. <p>Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Routine activities of IYCF, growth monitoring, community cooking and responsive action in camps and host community through partner. Adolescent reproductive health and nutrition programme targeting adolescent girls is starting this month. <p>WFP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Continue treatment for MAM children, prevention of stunting through partners. ○ Plans to extend treatment of MAM children in 5 townships of Magway to be in line with MoH and UNICEF IMAM program in Magway. ○ Prevention of wasting activities (blanket distribution) continue in Magway and prevention of stunting activities will be expanded to Chin, Magway, Shan and Rakhine. ○ Together with ACF, to develop joint strategy on nutrition and food security for northern Rakhine. ○ Resume treatment of MAM program in northern Rakhine with CERF funding starting from December. ○ MUAC assessment conducted in 700 villages in northern Rakhine, reaching 24,000 children 6-59 months. <p>ACF:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Completed SMART surveys in MgD and BtD which are conducted every 2 years. The result from MgD is not much different from previous survey. BtD analysis is still in ongoing. ○ In 2016, ACF will continue to include SAM treatment for children under five and older than five as well as PLW in BtD and MgD. ○ An increase in SAM admissions -since August related to the flooding has led to shortage of RUTF. ACF seeks support for additional RUTF from 	<p>WFP to share MUAC assessment results</p>
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	<p>UNICEF to respond to this emergency. Related to the shortage, ACF had to implement this week the following dire measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Admission of over-five children with <-4SD only ○ Distribution of only one sachet/day to over-five children ○ Discharge beneficiaries after one week of reaching MUAC and W/H instead of two weeks ○ The situation is critical, noting the high GAM rate and nutrition insecurity in Maungdaw District. ○ Due to the current increase of admissions, ACF had to temporarily stop the flood response with double distribution to TFP follow up + PLW and ration of protection to SAM children <p>UNICEF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Works with government and MHAA in flood affected area. ○ Plans to extend/start projects in Ayeyarwaddy Region with MHAA and Kachin with HPA. 	<p>UNICEF and ACF to discuss bilaterally</p>
<p>Update on Flood Response Plan</p>	<p>Second flood response plan monitoring report is finalized:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2,095 SAM children admitted to treatment. ○ 50, 400 children aged 6-59 months benefit from micronutrient supplementation. <p>Flood response plan activities are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify and provide treatment for acute malnutrition among young children and pregnant and lactating women, including therapeutic feeding for severe acute malnutrition (SAM) and supplementary feeding for moderate acute malnutrition (MAM); 2. Protect, promote and support appropriate infant and young child feeding (IYCF) through support to pregnant and lactating woman and/or caregivers; 3. Prevent/control micronutrient deficiencies among under five children and pregnant and lactating women; 4. Monitor unsolicited donations of breast-milk substitutes (BMS); 5. Nutrition situation monitoring through assessments and/or surveys. 	

<p>Update on 2016 Humanitarian Response Plan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) to be updated to reflect recent survey findings etc. ○ Light process, updating and extending the 2015 Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) into 2016. ○ HRP target revisions with sector partners during November-December. 	<p>Sector coordinator to follow up with partners.</p>
<p>Presentation: Kachin Comprehensive IYCF Assessment (Plan)</p>	<p>Key findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Initiation of breastfeeding in 1 hr – 77% ○ Exclusive breastfeeding – 43% ○ Continued breastfeeding until 2 years – 58% ○ Minimum dietary diversity – 59% ○ Minimum meal frequency – 75% ○ Minimum acceptable diet – 43% <p>Main recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Home counselling visits for diet-related support and postpartum women for exclusive breastfeeding support. ○ Strong messaging in support of exclusive and continued breastfeeding. ○ Provide recipe recommendations and participatory cooking sessions to caregivers. ○ Establish community gardens and explore opportunities for animal husbandry. ○ Collaborate with livelihood actors in the camps to explore ways to diversify sources of income. 	

Next sector meeting (tentatively): In Nay Pyi Taw – to be confirmed.