



Rakhine WASH Cluster Meeting

Date: 8/9/2017
Venue: UNICEF office
Time: 10:00hr ~ 11:30hr
Duration: 1hr 30 Minutes
Chair: Rakhine WASH Cluster
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Agenda:

Sr.	Topic	Time	Who
1.	Self-Introduction	5 M	All Participants
2.	Review of last WASH Cluster Meeting Action Points	10 M	WCC
3.	Current Working Situation	15 M	WCC/Participants
4.	WASH Cluster Update	15 M	WCC
5.	Partners Update/Challenges	15 M	All Participants
6.	HRP 2018/Future Planning	10 M	WCC/Participants
7	AOB	5 M	All Participants

Minutes:

Topic 1: Review of last WASH Cluster Meeting Action Points	
Summary of discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordination between SI, Oxfam and Christian Aid will resume once MHF for Rakhine is re-announced. • MHF Allocation is being postponed for project proposals in Rakhine. A new allocation will be launched, when the situation is more predictable. • WASH Cluster updated partner's capacity and WASH services in camps and will share with partners with the meeting minutes. • TAs for CDC approved by RSG and survey conducted in different areas.
Action plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
Topic 2: Current Working Situation	
Summary of discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued fragile situation in northern Rakhine state leading to cross border displacement, 123,000 IDPs/refugees have crossed the border to Bangladesh. Rakhine displaced in Sittwe (3,000 new IDPs) • In northern Rakhine, humanitarian provision have ceased completely with no access to humanitarian actors. • In central Rakhine, only critical WASH activities going on in camps in Sittwe with support of national staff members and volunteers living inside camps and adjoining areas. • 50% of WASH cluster partners had TAs been rejected or in delayed status. • Increased pressure on national staff for service provision in camps • Higher reliance on camp-based staff observed during the last two weeks. • Scenarios analysis: WASH Cluster proposed to have a joint analysis of the different level of tension and constraints (normal, moderate and worst scenarios) and prepare SOPs. During a first brainstorming it was raised (from SI) the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In worst scenario, to ensure the lifesavings activities is important to ensure at least access for 1 month. 2. In moderate scenario is important to change the approach for some of the activities (no mass cleaning campaign but more small groups of HHs initiative around their shelters and drainages. Avoid long HHs visits and prefer short messaging if a lot of control)
Action Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WASH Cluster partners requested to closely monitor situation and inform cluster coordinator accordingly of any major issues/challenges for continuation of critical life-saving humanitarian activities. • SCENARIOS: WASH Cluster will share a draft of SOP. INGOs will give inputs and during the next WASH Cluster will be endorsed.
Topic 3: WASH Cluster Update	
Summary of discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IDPs had been accommodated in 38 camps and 240 villages in hosting communities (As of Q2), this might have changed due to on-going issues. • Estimated number of IDP population assisted so far is around 122,000 out of WASH Cluster HRP 2017 target (258, 376 people). • In Q2, no displacements have been observed, however in Q3 with ongoing tension, this number would have been drastically changed. • Per Q2 information acquired from partners, WASH Cluster Rakhine is funded around 54%. So far National WASH Cluster has got 8.7 M USD out of its required 17 M USD for undertaking the humanitarian activities in HRP 2017. Of total amount Rakhine has got 6.3 M USD against 12.5 USD requirement. • In terms of contribution from donors, for Rakhine major contributions are from DFID (46%), ECHO (8%). • Contingency preparedness exercise had been conducted for Rakhine. Per the acquired information from cluster partners, huge gaps had been observed in supplies for sanitation, water storage capacity and IEC materials. Limited ability to continue service delivery,

	<p>Technicians and promoters available in all sites (varying numbers based on partners/areas). (Draft report attached as annexure to minutes of the meeting)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDC CWF study halted and training on Water quality cancelled. • ToT WiE cancelled. • Last cluster meeting was not conducted due to security concerns. • MHF Allocation is being postponed for project proposals in Rakhine. A new allocation will be launched, when the situation is more predictable.
Action Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WCC to share contingency stock with partners.
Topic 4: Partners Update/Challenges	
Summary Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oxfam distributed HK cash vouchers in SYS 1 last week but not yet distributing HK in MinGan camp because need to inform to TA for this activity due to permission of authorization letter by TA. • SI had already distributed HK for Aug in STW camps and planning for distribution for the month of September and foreseeing some delays due to ongoing situation. • Oxfam, CDN, DRC and SCI conducted joint monitoring visit to the camps in STW areas in this week. • National staff members/volunteers are operating per routine in camps but no international staff members could access camps anywhere.
<i>Action Points</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
Topic 5 HRP 2018-Planning	
Summary Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HRP 2018 would be a Simple and light version with very minimal changes in context and approaches. It was also discussed that either we keep village approach for Rakhine or not and Considerations for additional caseload in NRS. • Discussions on Multi-year plan/strategy is ongoing between gov't and HCT. • Some considerations may be for -New displacements, -Resettlement areas, -More accurate budget as some cluster partners faced issues while meeting needs of people with the assumed rate/person/year in 2017. • It was also discussed that targeted population figures, geographical scoping and prioritization, needs to be settled at respective State level.
<i>Action Points</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WASH Cluster Rakhine will undertake a scenario-based exercise with all partners by end of September in order to strategize for HRP 2018.
Topic 7: AOB	
Summary Discussion	<p>Brainstorming on Menstrual Hygiene Management TWG – discussion on priorities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was discussed that the WASH Cluster Myanmar prioritized some topics after voting and apart from other relevant matters, MHM (Menstrual Hygiene management) has to be undertaken as a priority. For which a specific technical working group had been formalized in order to have a desk review of the existing documents, current practices/approaches and challenges/bottlenecks. • The group is in discussion to assess issues like access to pads, taboos, latrines availability, social constraints, financial aspects, disposal chain mechanism, awareness and enabling environment etc. • An action plan will be devised with a budget to pilot some of the activities afterwards. <p>Harmonizing KAP surveys and assessments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was discussed that harmonization of KAP surveys and its frequency needs to be consid-

	<p>ered for the future interventions.</p> <p>Partners update: WASH Cluster asked to share the update by email before the meeting (to save time and address only key updates & issues). It was also proposed to change the meeting day to Thursday instead of Friday.</p>
<i>Action Points</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cluster partners are requested to share their experiences/knowledge of the onground information related to MHM. • Interested Cluster partners may partake in MHM group discussion in Yangon and have their valuable inputs. • <i>KAP surveys needs to be discussed in next meeting.</i>