

## **WASH Cluster Myanmar**

## **Minutes of National WASH Cluster Meeting**

Date: 2018 December 7, Friday Venue: UNICEF Yangon Office

Time: 2 pm – 4 pm Duration: 2h

Chair: Sunny Guidotti, National WASH Cluster Coordinator

Minutes: WASH Cluster

Participants: Malteser, Arche Nova, HARP-F, USAID, WVI, MSF-H, UNFPA, ACF, Samaritan's Purse, CDN, Coraid, PIN, INGO Forum, OXFAM, SCI, UNICEF

Sr.	Topic	Time	Who
Agenda	<ol> <li>Intro (5min)</li> <li>Strategy         <ul> <li>Tiger Worms Toilet – Sanitation pilot innovation from Rakhine by Oxfam (30min)</li> <li>Kachin WASH Cluster Hygiene Kit Assessment Results – strategy to follow (30min)</li> <li>Outcome of Kachin Hygiene Promotion Strategy development workshop (10min)</li> <li>Outcome of Kachin WASH Cluster Strategy Review workshop (10min)</li> </ul> </li> <li>2019 Planning (20min)</li> <li>Pending action: inputs from partners on Closure of Camps Position Paper? (10min)</li> <li>AOB (5min)</li> <li>For the presentation given with all the details, please click on the below:         <ul> <li>December</li> <li>7_2018_Natl WASH (</li> </ul> </li> </ol>		
1	Intro	2:00	All Participants
2.a	Tiger Worms Toilet – Sanitation pilot innovation from Rakhine by Oxfam  a. Tiger Worms Toilet – Sanitation pilot innovation from Rakhine by Oxfam (30min) – ppt included in the presentation included above.  b. HIF funded. Also piloted in Ethiopia and Liberia  c. Piloted in STMG camp. Oxfam handed over WASH responsibility to SI.  d. Semi-permanent shared latrines, flooding prevalent. OD prevalence especially children.	2:05	OXFAM

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	e. 34 rooms for 680 used of tiger worm toilets, control latrines for 116 people.		
	f. Wormeries installed as supply was challenging. Key behavior change communication done. India Blue worms		
	used here and worked. Latrines were double doors and blended ok.		
	g. Two latrines designs tested: single pit directly under the latrine, and double vault off set design		
	h. Key concepts, considerations, etc presented		
	i. Findings show that users were highly satisfied with incremental improvements. No smell was the key benefit		
	users appreciated. TWTs required substantially less emptying, once in two years. Control latrines 1-3 times a		
	year.		
	j. TWT single vault latrines had significantly lower viability of helmith eggs, if compared to dual vault latrines,		
	k. Key messages: both designs tested in STMG worked well and were well accepted by users. People's feedback		
	felt the single vault latrines were more sturdy (surprisingly because more common in Myanmar is off set pit		
	latrines)		
	I. Success: community engagement, user behavior change not to harm the worms, wormery establishment and		
	upkeep, less frequent desludging, possible effect on helmith egg viability.		
	m. Challenges: initial community acceptance, worm supply and transport was the most difficult part. Water		
	flooding into pits due to high water table, accurate user counts and challenging quantitative data collection.		
	n. Moving forwards: TWTs are replicable for the Rakhine context, community handover in Min Gan (70%		
	satisfaction by users), handover to WASH provider in STMG (SI, less desludging needs, not much uptake),		
	operation manual to support further project development, worms available in Yangon		
	Action point: will share Manual to WASH cluster for circulation and upload in WASH cluster website		
2.b	Kachin WASH Cluster Hygiene Kit Assessment (ppt included on the presentation above)	2:45	HARP
	This was done in response to gaps identified by the WASH Cluster with access to soap and sanitary pads which the		
	WASH cluster prioritized to address. As well as to support HARP F to make a decision on funding hygiene kits with		
	their partners.		
	• Even the HHs with highest income in the NGCA, had a lower presence of soap than the lowest income in HHs in the		
	GCA. This helps with justifying initial targeting to NGCA.		
	People not receiving hygiene kits: 88% of people in GCA could purchase hygiene items. However in NGCA, only 51%		
	could purchase.		
	<ul> <li>Shift to cloth from sanitary pads is less than expected with 12%. Main mechanism by women is borrowing between</li> </ul>		
	households.		
	<ul> <li>Nearly everyone including elderly wants to use sanitary pads.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Key outcomes: soap and pads clear need in NGCA areas: clear case for that. When broken down by income, maybe ¼</li> </ul>		
	top not needed. Whereas in GCA ¼ of most vulnerable would be in need. Partners need to work together on criteria		
	to prioritize based on equity. Hopefully by February a cluster strategy for hygiene kits.		
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	Questions on borrowing.		

	Question is whether data will raise awareness		
	Include some of these of PDMs		
	Action point: Kachin WASH cluster to define targeting criteria in January 2019 and write a hygiene kit strategy.		
2.c	Outcome of Kachin Hygiene Promotion Strategy development workshop (ppt included on the presentation above)  Presented vision of the workshop  Workshop covered 4 keys:  Key behaviors  Key behaviors  Channels & activities  Behavioral objectives  Behavioral Focus:  Need to think of community wide change too  Channels:  Mixture of channels operating at different levels to the SEM  Looked at creative approaches  How to reach people without expecting them to come/attend special session or go to special locations  Next steps:  Evidence review  Consider tools for all camps  Consultation  Final Strategy with plan  Action Point: Kachin WASH Cluster will go through a consultation with C4D UNICEF Specialist and finalize the strategy by Feb 2019.  Action Point: cluster partners have to share PDMs, KAPs and any qualitative data to cluster	3:10	Sunny
2.d	<ul> <li>Outcome of Kachin WASH Cluster Strategy Review workshop (ppt included on the presentation above)</li> <li>Review and update 2017-2019 strategy         <ul> <li>March: focus on technical WASH issues</li> <li>November: focus on overarching issues</li> </ul> </li> <li>4 groups with geo focus (NGCA Kachin, GCA urban Kachin, GCA rural Kachin, N.Shan)</li> <li>Partners and governments (DRD, DBE, DOPH, TDA, SDA) are participated</li> <li>Presented quick wins: issues and solutions and long term issues and solutions in 4 groups/area</li> <li>Localization areas</li> <li>Governance &amp; decision making (SAG- local partner, co-chaired TWG between NGO and Gov't)</li> <li>Influence &amp; participation</li> </ul>	3:20	Sunny

	o Partnerships		
	o Funding		
	<ul> <li>Institutional capacity</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Localization and Hum-dev nexus (detail are in reports which is uploaded in WASH cluster website under training and</li> </ul>		
	workshop)		
	Presented Resettlement plan		
	Presented Long term plan/vision from 4 groups		
	Action point: update the strategy		
3	2019 Planning	3:40	Sunny
	January workplan session at national and sub-national cluster meetings to identify together key priorities for the		
	WASH cluster in 2019		
	<ul> <li>Priorities set by partners for 2019 to be discussed in meetings in January 2019</li> </ul>		
	Calendar of meetings		
	Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> week of Mondays ; Afternoon: 2-4 PM		
	<ul> <li>Agree on : Minutes takers will be alternatively</li> </ul>		
	Calendar of events		
	To provide in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> week of January 2019 cluster meeting		
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	Action point: WASH cluster have to update in the calendar in WASH cluster website reflecting the new arrangements agreed.		
4	Pending action	3:50	Sunny
	Camp closure		
	INGO forum gathering all partners/ inputs (not through clusters)		
	GoM closure of camps strategy circulated		
	Protection sector position paper		
	WASH cluster position paper – your inputs?		
	<ul> <li>Partners didn't have much to share except one partner that shared on the discussions of scenarios</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>One donor shared the importance of defining what constitutes life saving to WASH specifically</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>We agreed that a decision tree would be helpful but not the specifics</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>We will keep the Position Paper as a live document for update</li> </ul>		
	Deadline is extended to January when perhaps partners will have more of a position from their agencies		
	Action point: Rakhine WASH cluster to share the google doc created by IM for partners' feedback from communities on camp		
	closure. Camp closure doc is live documents and you can directly input.		

5	Pending action points from last meeting  1: Rakhine WASH cluster contractors vs direct implementation position paper  OXFAM: took Cluster coordinator last month while state cluster coordinator is away from office. We collected feedback from the partners from different ways in Rakhine  One of the issue in the meeting is to have the right people from agencies attend so that they can provide feedback.  2: camp closure: as per above, will be a live document and deadline extended to January.		
6	AOB (5 min) Cordaid and Arche Nova introduced themselves. Happy to be part of the WASH cluster! Nil		Sunny

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