

### **WASH Cluster Meeting**

### **Meeting Minutes**

Date: 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2019

Venue: UNICEF Office, Sittwe Time: 10:00 Am to 12:00 Pm

**Duration: 2 hours** 

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## Agenda:

Sr.	Торіс		
1.	Introduction and short welcome to OFDA mission		
2.	Review of last meeting minutes		
3.	<ul> <li>Cluster Updates:         <ul> <li>Update on the recent new displacement in Rakhine State and Response Plan</li> <li>ICCG Update</li> <li>MHF – 1<sup>st</sup> standard allocation</li> <li>Tufts Studies in Rakhine</li> <li>WASH Em' Training feedback</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
4.	Update on Q 2 Reporting		
5.	Cluster Partners challenges/ updates		
6.	AOB		

### Minutes:

Topic 1: Review action points from last WASH cluster meeting				
Summary of discussion	<ul> <li>Ad-hoc Cluster meeting with partners WORKING IN VILLAGES to agree on 4W village indicators that allows us to report on HRP and are based on our existing data. Done</li> <li>Ad-hoc cluster meeting to revise the PDM and incorporate the indicators agreed on today on 4W. Done</li> <li>WASH Cluster team will meet with CCCM, Health and Education for the indicators related to those sectors. Ongoing Discussion with Cluster/Sectors</li> </ul>			
Action Plan	•			



Topic 2: Update on the recent new displacement in Rakhine State and Response Plan		
Summary of	WC prepared the 3W and Dashboard for new displacement sites	
discussion	Plan for coordination meetings with WASH partners bilaterally for hygiene kits	
	distribution to avoid overlapping	
	WASH partners should share their response plan, ongoing activities and distribution	
	of WASH related items to WASH Cluster	
Action Plan	WASH Cluster will conduct a coordination meeting for WASH Response in	
	Mrauk U with RI, PIN, CDN, WVI and UNICEF.	
	WASH Cluster will share monthly to WASH partners.	
Topic 3: ICCG	Update	
Summary of	Restriction of Travel Authorization and Operating Activities due to current security	
discussion	issues by CC	
	Due to the clashes in Rakhine, UN/INGO/NGO organizations (except ICRC and	
	WFP) have been previously informed that access to village tracts in Ponnaygyun,	
	Kyauktaw, Mrauk U, Rathedaung, Buthidaung and Maungdaw townships to	
	implement their operational activities have been restricted, except for	
	downtown.	
	The current clashes between Myanmar Military and Arakan Army are escalating	
	in Minbya township at the moment. Therefore, the organizations are now	
	informed that the access to MoU/regular activities and access is not allowed in	
	village tracts, but ONLY downtown in Minbya.	
	Update on current IDP situation in central Rakhine	
	The government reported number of internally displaced persons (IDPs)	
	approximately 22,113 Population, 5249HHs and 82 locations. There was big	
	discrepancy in the number of IDPs reported by local CSOs and the government.	
	Government sources are known to cover only IDPs living in formal resettlement	
	sites or camps and have been slow to update their data prior to distributing relief	



	assistance. In addition, the government's plan to relocate IDPs in Buthidaung,
	Minbya, Mrauk-U, Ponnagyun, and Rathedaung Townships, has been met with
	little support. Only a small fraction of IDPs agreed to move to the new Structures.
	Consequently, Rakhine State Government announced the reduction of IDP camp
	construction budget from originally five billion kyats of 1.3 billion kyats. The
	State Minister ensured that humanitarian assistances will be continued to grant
	for IDP camps even though the residents do not agree to move to newly-built
	shelter. Please see update 3W for Hygiene Kits distribution in IDPs sites by WASH
	partners.
Action Plan	WASH Cluster need to follow up meeting action points from last Friday meeting
	of new displacement
	Any WASH agency has the plan to support displaced people in new
	displacement sites should firstly consult with ICRC/MRCS
	Partners to consult with Site Focal Points/CCCM Cluster Coordinator before
	distribution.
Topic 4: MHF -	- 1 <sup>st</sup> standard allocation
Summary of	It will be used for flood or cyclone response. Since the priority focus of the
discussion	allocation is IDPs and Rakhine has large requirements because of villages, there
	was also a consensus around covering Kachin/Shan IDP needs. New displacement
	needs in Rakhine were already covered on the last MHF.
Action Plan	•
Topic 5: Tufts 9	Studies in Rakhine
Summary of	• In August (5 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup> August, 2019), the WASH Cluster Hosted Tufts University
discussion	for the sanitation strategy evaluation for Rakhine.
Action Plan	Selected camps are Ohn Daw Gyi south, Ohn Daw Gyi north, Khaung Doke Kharr,
	Basara Camps in Sittwe and Sin Tet Maw camp in Pauktaw. WC will coordinate for
	plan with WASH focal agencies.
Topic 6: WASH	Em' Training feedback



# Summary of discussion

- Hygiene Promotion Training called "WASH Em", a collaboration between the WASH Cluster/UNICEF and the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM) provided in the Thet Ke Pyin camp on July 3, 2019 to July 5, 2019 with a focus on hand washing practices and attended 33 participants from WASH agencies including camp- based staff. We learned about the five WASH'EM tools Handwashing Demonstrations and Behaviours, Risk perception, Motives and Touchpoints.
- Follow on actions from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine on WASH 'EM to the WASH Cluster is being discussed and implemented. NWC shared via mail

#### **Topic 7: Cluster partners update**

# Summary of Discussion

- Most of the organizations have restricted TA for the project villages in central Rakhine.
- PIN: Consortium Based approach by PIN, CA and CDN will be implemented multi-sectoral Integrated assistance to new displacement sites in Mrauk U, Minbya, Ponnagyun, Kyauktaw and Buthidaung. CDN will lead WASH response in Ponnagyun and Kyauktaw. PIN will lead WASH response in Mrauk U and Minbya. Project will start in End of August with assessment. Submission of TA is ongoing and discussed confirmation for sites locations with Clusters agreed within ICCG level.
- DRC: DRC has planned to construct disable latrines and hygiene kits distribution in
   Ohn Daw Gyi South and Phwe Ywar Gone Camps in Sittwe. Construction of handpumps were done by private donors.
- RI: Regular activities for water supply, O&M is ongoing smoothly and distribution of hygiene kits was done for two months. IDPs move to new shelters and flooded there because of individuals houses relocated area are very low land.
- CDA: Regular activities in Kyauk Ta Lone Camp in Kyauk Phyu. CDA has planned Cleaning Campaign in Sittwe area coordinate with DSW and RSG support by WASH Cluster/UNICEF on 25/8/2019.
- MAUK: TA is rejected for Nidin Camp in Kyauktaw due to security concern and has
  planned construction of drainage, water supply, solar distribution and hygiene kits



distribution. New shelter with drainage construction in Say Tha Ma Gyi Camp. OXSI will repair existing drain channels.

- UNICEF: Distribution of Hygiene kits in new displacement areas was done through DRD and partners together with UNICEF staffs. In NRS, UNICEF distributed HK together with UNHCR, UNFPA in Buthidaung and Rathedaung. Next WASH Sector Coordination Working Group meeting will be held on 1<sup>st</sup> week of September and will invite Task Force Group, WASH Development Partners.
- SCI: Hygiene kits distribution was done for May, June and July in their targeted areas.
   Water Testing Training will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> August in State DRD Office and confirmed.
   Closely coordination with DRC for two camps handover in Sittwe and start processing.
- UN-Habitat: Started program in Rakhine this month and no individual WASH components and Identified gap areas and planned housing community infrastructure development in Rakhine.
- OXFAM: Regular activities in targeted camps and women mobilization assistance in camps and WQT working group in targeted areas. Data for water sources mapping.
- IRW: No update to be shared. OXFAM, NWC and IRW from national level will meet in YGN next week.
- CDN: Planned to implement new villages/sites in Kyauktaw with MHF fund.
- SI: Ongoing regular activities in STW & PKT. TWG was done for reviewing of design for solar panels/lights and discussed on previous design.
- OCHA: Requested inputs for sitrep of new displacement areas and sector guidance on camp closures.

#### **Action Plan**

- UNICEF will share MoM and Presentation of first WASH Sector Coordination
  Working Group meeting to the WASH Cluster partners
- SCI will invite the participants from WASH Agencies through WASH Cluster to attend water testing training and WASH Cluster will support for coordination.



	SI will share design of solar panels and lights that shared action points from TWG
	meeting.
Topic 8: AOB	
Summary of	There will be an upcoming external visit to Rakhine WASH Cluster in early August.
Discussion	Sanitation Review training is being planned with Tufts University and it will focus on
	Sanitation assessment. This was discussed with WASH partners.
Action Plan	Next Rakhine WASH Cluster Meeting is planned on 9 <sup>th</sup> August 2019.