

Typhoon Mangkhut

Shelter Cluster Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 25th September 2018, 10:00

This was a first technical WG meeting to discuss needs and agencies availability for an inter-agency rapid market assessment for shelter, to be conducted in Metro Manila, the affected areas of Region II, CAR and Ilocos.

Minutes

1. Introductions

Partners attending the meeting: Build Change, WV, HfH, IOM, PRC, IFRC, IMC, OCHA (Cash WG FP).

2. Update on ongoing assessments from partners

- **OCHA:** there is no ongoing shelter market assessment in the affected areas, or agencies having performed any shelter RAM in TY Haima affected areas in 2016. Once we define the cash amounts for shelter repair assistance based on the shelter RAM, SC will need to agree and harmonise amounts with DSWD.
- **IMC:** Undertaking small scale assessments focussed on NFIs. There are a number of items on the market that are suitable and the main issues seems to be replenishment of stocks with traders mentioning it takes weeks or months to arrange new supplies.
- **CARE:** coco lumber is not available/used in the affected areas, people build either lightweight houses with lumber and bamboo or in concrete masonry. Good lumber will be difficult to procure and expensive (due to log ban in the regions, local suppliers will have to procure from elsewhere. However in the past IPs were allowed by the Government to cut trees for self-recovery purposes). People do tend to use higher quality lumber but in past experiences they need messaging around Building Back Better to improve construction and ensuring cuts of lumber are more standardised to minimise wastage
- **IOM:** Concern over lack of timber was reported during assessments. The nearest point to affected areas for large scale lumber supply is Isabela province. There is a need for cash for shelter assistance with flexible conditionality – large numbers of Haima recipients haven't received the Government cash assistance yet. There is also many IP communities that prefer/insist on communal cash giving where they then prioritise within their own communities both the cash and who needs other assistance with rebuilding.

3. Preparations to the RAM

- There is no shelter RAM form ready to be used. BuildChange will work on the **google form** including:
 1. Current supply chain, supply levels and prices for standard shelter kit materials such as lumber, CGI, cement, nails, tools, etc
 2. Cost of labour (skilled and unskilled, daily labour)
 3. Material haulage costs

- PRC and IFRC to provide the rapid assessment teams with a **list of pre-identified hardware suppliers** by Friday 28 sept COB. The group agreed to obtain the information from the following:
 1. Chamber of Commerce
 2. DTI (Department of Trade and Industry)
 3. LGUs
 4. PCAP (Philippine Contractors Association)
 5. Local PRC Chapters
- **CARE** to provide info on availability of current supply level, supply chain and prices for local/organic/indigenous materials for roofing (sawali, cogon).
- The RAM will involve **3 teams** splitting into different areas. Areas to be assessed:
 1. Team 1: Cagayan and Kalinga (e.g. Tuguegarao) + Isabela and Apayao (e.g. Tabuk)
 2. Team 2: Ilocos Norte, Sur and Benguet (e.g. Baguio, Vigan and Laoag)
 3. Team 3: Metro Manila
- The inter-agency shelter rapid market assessment (RAM) will be led by Build Change as Team Leader and take place with the following schedule:
 - **Sun 30 sept:** departure from Manila
 - 1-2-3 Oct: RAM exercise
 - **Thu 4 Oct:** return to Manila
 - Fri 5 Oct: consolidation of findings and submission to SC lead.

Action points

- The SC coordinator to circulate the final assessment plan by Thu 27 COB.
- PRC and CARE to provide the information on suppliers by assessment area by Fri 28 COB.
- A 30min orientation on the use of the digital assessment form will take place on Sunday 30th prior to departure from Manila (each TL in charge of organising it directly).