

ORMOC – Shelter Cluster Meeting
Friday 29th November, 5pm
OSOCC, Ormoc City

Agencies present: DSWD, PSWD, OCD, DepED, IOM, MSF, CRS, UNHCR, OCHA, Plan International, World Vision, IFRC, All Hands Volunteers, Help Age

1. Updates from Shelter Cluster:

Strategic Response Plan (SRP)

- Agencies submitting projects for the revised appeal are reminded that the deadline for submission on OPS is midnight on Sunday 1st December. For questions regarding the submission or OPS uploading of projects, please see the cluster team after the meeting.

Technical Working Groups

- The shelter technical guidance is in the process of being finalized with comments from different partners. The guidance contains overview of technical strategy, sample shelter and NFIs packages, specifications, and other key notes on shelter delivery. Once finalized, this will be shared with the wider cluster and be available on www.sheltercluster.org
- Along with the technical guidelines are key IEC material for use of tarpaulins and plastic sheeting which agencies are encouraged to use along side their distribution – preferable as part of an orientation. It has been noted that many households are using tarps incorrectly which will shorten their lifespan.
- The IEC material on Build Back Safer is being developed and will be shared with technical experts from agencies.

Assessments

- REACH assessments are in process – this is a detailed shelter assessments that will look to provide better understanding on types and level of damage, with ties to livelihood and WASH. It is estimated that the assessment will be completed by 10th December.
- OCHA has also carried out assessments into 5 surrounding municipalities and presented its finding in the general coordination meeting.

2. Updates from PSWD/DSWD:

Currently feedback from communities is that they prioritise shelter support over relief goods as people are re-building their homes. Each barangays are in the process of assessing the damage houses.

PSWD would also like to remind agencies that all municipalities will require shelter support, even if they are marked as partial damage. It is important to understand that some families in ‘totally destroyed’ category will have more resources and capacity to rebuild than some in ‘partially damaged’ category.

3. Updates from Partners

- UNHCR is conducting assessment in hard to reach locations and is looking to target these families for further emergency shelter and NFIs distribution.
- MSF carried out assessments in Leyte Municipality, and see around 80% of buildings severely damaged or totally destroyed. MSF is looking to provide shelter support in Leyte (from the bridge down into municipality centre) with shelter repair kit (3,000). It is expected that distribution can start within 8-10 days.

- CRS have nearly completed relief distribution, these included tarpaulins with fixings and community tool kits.
4. Evacuation Centre situation updates from CCCM:
 - The displacement tracking matrix (DTM) have record of 19 ECs still open as well as 1 spontaneous settlement site in Linao. Four further ECs were found outside of Ormoc.
 - With the planned opening of schools this coming Monday 2nd December, there is pressure for families to return to their place of origin. CCCM cluster is working to advocate against forceful evacuations of families. Ormoc's superintendant of education says that it's likely exception will be made for special cases where extended stay is needed.
 - For most families currently staying in ECs, shelter support for return will be needed. Agencies who will be able to provide this support in the weekend (or as soon as possible) are to meet after the cluster meeting to discuss assistance (IFRC, MSF, Help Age, UNHCR)
 5. Information Management
 - Shelter cluster is centralizing it's data collection process for all response. Agencies are request to use the reporting template (attached) and send weekly update to reporting.phil@sheltercluster.org by Sunday.
 - The cluster will in turn share 3W maps and summary tables back to each hub for analysis and discussion.
 6. Given that not everyone has access to emails, OCHA asked to have shelter cluster members contact information to include in master list for SMS messages about updates, meetings, etc
 7. Ormoc Coordination: As CRS is currently in the process of relocating its main hub to Palo, the agency will no longer be able to provide coordination support in Ormoc. The shelter cluster team is in discussion with interested partner to take on this role and will look to carry out the handover at the next week cluster meeting.
 8. Next Meeting: Friday 5pm, following the general coordination meeting, OSOCC, Ormoc City Hall.

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