

## MEETING NOTES

### EMERGENCY SHELTER/ NFI CLUSTER MEETING (FEDERAL)

Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> of September 2017, 14:00, NDRMC, Addis Ababa

**Present:** IOM, ICRC, IRC, NDRMC, NRC, ERCS, UNICEF

#### Agenda

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The meeting was chaired by Mr Tadesse from NDRMC.

The cluster coordinator welcomed all attendees and explained the need to convene this ad hoc cluster meeting to discuss the shelter/NFI cluster response to the new needs and notably due to the recently erupted conflict between Oromia and Somali regions as well as evaluate current cluster capacities and engagement from cluster members and agree on an update of the cluster prioritization of needs to include these new developments.

It was first reminded that the cluster had conducted its bi-monthly need prioritization in early September which had enabled classifying the 172,000 HH in need of shelter/NFI into priority 1 (83,000 HH) and priority 2 (89,000 HH), to which the new needs induced by the regional conflict and the floods had to be added. For the flood induced needs, the cluster advocated towards NDRMC to share regular consolidated updates on the regional reported needs and for official requests on unaddressed needs to be officially conveyed to the cluster for the planning of the response, as agreed upon during the Flood Task Force meetings.

On the Somali-Oromia conflict, Mr Tadesse informed the cluster that it had been decided for NDRMC to be the institution to channel the requests for assistance in shelter/NFI and that although regional discussion and exchange of information may take place at regional levels, requests should only be received at federal level. Information on the situation would be shared during bi-weekly updates chaired by Mr Tadesse at NDRMC to which although all cluster members may be invited, the cluster coordination offered to ensure representation of the cluster and share further updates with cluster members (next one scheduled on the following Thursday afternoon).

NDRMC further conveyed the request to assist 20,080 HH in Somali region, received from the Somali DPPB. See in annex. NDRMC informed that they would share the figures of the HH in need of shelter/NFI assistance in Oromia as they had recently been assisting previously affected HH and had to evaluate the remainder of HH in needs. Mr Tadesse also mentioned that NDRMC does not have any current response capacities and that cluster members would have to cover all the shelter/NFI identified needs, based on response capacities. The cluster coordination proposed to update the overall cluster need prioritization with new needs once Oromia need figures would be communicated whereas further prioritization discussion would happen among the cluster for the specific conflict response. It was commonly agreed between humanitarian partners and NDRMC to provide a balanced response along both sides of the border, for which the Oromia figures would be needed to plan the prioritization and response activities.

On the response modality, NDRMC informed that the verification of the needs figures alongside a rapid delivery of Shelter/NFI assistance was expected from cluster members, while they would ensure security and access. Cluster members suggested to allow some time for assessments/verifications to be conducted jointly with the authorities prior to distributions, due to the rapid evolution of the needs in terms of population movements, to assess the different types of displacement settlements and subsequent needs and because

of the scarcity of resources that would require a prioritization of needs. The cluster coordination suggested to discuss this issue during the EHCT meeting convened for the next day.

A tour de table among cluster members confirmed the overall availability of 10,400 kits in stock (2,900 kits in Somali region at present and the rest in Addis), that they are willing to engage in the joint Somali-Oromia response. There are an additional 12,000 kits under procurement that could be available within 1 to 3 months for the overall multi-driver response. Furthermore, 600 EHF funded HH cash grants could be used for the response in areas where markets have been assessed, should security and logistics allow it. Lastly, the ongoing EHF allocation of 3 MUSD to IOM, NRC and IRC will further enable the delivery of 9,800 kits and 3,100 HH cash grants.

Lastly, cash was commonly agreed upon between NDRMC and humanitarian partners as a modality that could be used to allow a quick response, should additional resources be mobilized, security allow it and markets be sufficiently stocked in the targeted areas.

In conclusion, most cluster members advocated for the overall conflict response to be coordinated at multi-sector level and for assessments/verifications to be conducted jointly with the authorities prior to distributions. Once the response modality will finally be agreed upon and Oromia figures shared by NDRMC, the cluster coordination will draft and circulate an advocacy note on the cluster current capacities and needs, to mobilize further resources.

Action	Who	When	Status
Sharing of conflict-induced needs in Oromia region	NDRMC	21 <sup>st</sup> of September	Pending meeting at NDRMC to be held on this day
Expression of cluster recommendations on response modality	Cluster coordination	20 <sup>th</sup> of September	Pending the EHCT meeting on this day
Development of an advocacy note on response capacity and needs	Cluster coordination	Asap	Pending communication of Oromia needs figures and definition of response modality

**NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, 28 September, 2:00 pm, IOM office