

## Guidance Note on the Multi-Cluster Land (MCLS) Suitability Assessment

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### INTRODUCTION

The Housing, Land and Property Working Group (HLP WG) has developed this Guidance Note to assist the humanitarian community in identifying and assessing suitable land for the relocation or settlement of IDPs in Yemen. This Guidance Note builds on the existing MCLS Land Suitability Assessment Form used by the Shelter/NFI, CCCM, Protection and HLP Partners.

Land suitability is the fitness of a given parcel of land for a defined use<sup>1</sup>. In our context, it is the fitness of the identified land parcel for the relocation and settlement of IDP households. The suitability shall be assessed against four main criteria, as described in Table 1.1 below, across three suitability classifications- suitable, moderately suitable or not suitable classification of each criterion in the form of traffic light colouring, as illustrated in Table 1.2.

A final appraisal is then made on the overall suitability of the land based on the classification of the four criteria. The land can be classified as suitable in its present condition or after a number of land improvements are made as a recommendation.

**Table 1.1 Land Suitability Criteria**

<b>Land</b>	HLP: Landowner, Land Ownership and Permission of activities on the land
	Physical characteristics of the land
	Quality of the land
	Land/Site capacity
<b>WASH</b>	Water source
	Water quality
	Sanitation
<b>Accessibility and Basic Services</b>	Road access and public transportation
	Proximity to the nearest village/market and livelihood opportunities
	Proximity to health and education facilities
	Access to electricity, energy source for cooking, lighting
<b>Protection</b>	Acceptance by the neighbouring host community
	Security Risks

**Table 1.2 Land Suitability Classification**

<b>Suitable</b>	The land has no limitations and meets all the criteria for sustained use and settlement of the IDP households.
<b>Moderately Suitable</b>	The land has limitations and can be suitable based on certain conditions- such as a number of land improvement activities conducted, depending on the available technical and financial resources.
<b>Unsuitable</b>	The land has severe limitations and is not fit for the settlement of the IDP households. The unsuitability of the land can be further classified into <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Currently not suitable or</li> <li>▪ Permanently not suitable</li> </ul>

### LAND SUITABILITY ASSESSMENT PROCESS

The land suitability assessment shall be carried out jointly by a multi-cluster team in consultation and coordination with the ExU or SCMCHA. The responsible cluster/working group for each criterion is identified in Table 1.3 below.

<b>Land</b>	
HLP: Landowner, Land Ownership and Permission of activities on the land	<b>HLP WG</b>
Physical characteristics of the land	<b>Shelter and CCCM</b>
Quality of the land	
Land capacity	
<b>WASH</b>	<b>WASH</b>
Water source	
Water quality	
Sanitation	

<sup>1</sup> FAO, 1976, A Framework for Land Evaluation

<b>Accessibility and Basic Services</b>	<b>CCCM</b>
Road access and public transportation	
Proximity to the nearest village/market and livelihood opportunities	
Proximity to health and education facilities	
Access to electricity, energy source for cooking, lighting	<b>Protection</b>
<b>Protection</b>	
Acceptance by the neighbouring host community	
Security Risks	<b>HLP WG</b>
<b>Finalisation of assessment report</b>	<b>ExU, SCMCHA with the MCLS Team</b>
<b>Review of the assessment report</b>	

Each cluster shall nominate and make at least one technical staff and one alternate staff available for all land suitability assessments. See Annex 1.

The team shall be known as the **Multi-Cluster Land Suitability Assessment Team (MCLS Team)** and use the approved **Multi-Cluster Land Suitability Assessment Form (MCLS Form)** in Annex 2 for the assessment.

**Step 1: Land Assessment Request**

- The HLP WG shall notify the MCLS Team and the ExU or SCMCHA Focal Points of the request for land suitability assessment following the identification of potential land(s) in coordination with the ExU or SCMCHA and CCCM (in the context of relocation from IDP hosting sites).
- The details of the proposed land (location, GPS coordinate and brief background) shall be provided with the proposed date for the joint assessment.

**Step 2: Confirmation of the MCLS team and date of assessment**

- The MCLS Team and ExU or SCMCHA Focal Points shall confirm the a) availability of the technical team member(s) and the Focal Point, b) the preferred date for the joint assessment and c) prepare the forms and any technical equipment (example GPS device, total station, water sample kits and measuring tape) required for the assessment.
- The HLP WG shall prepare a list of the stakeholders for key informant interviews as part of the assessment; they may include, among others:
  - The landowner(s)
  - The Aqel<sup>2</sup> or Aqel al-hara (Host community neighbourhood leaders), Tribal Sheikh<sup>3</sup> and Dhaman Sheikhs<sup>4</sup>
  - Amin
- The HLP WG shall inform the landowner and relevant stakeholders of the plan for the assessment and date.
- Individual cluster/agency shall obtain security clearance and coordinate movement via their respective security officers.

**Step 3: Assessment**

- The MCLS Team and ExU or SCMCHA Focal Points shall conduct the joint assessment on the agreed date. Several further trips might be required to carry out additional technical assessments.
- The MCLS Team shall complete the MCLS Form and share their assessment results and recommendations with HLP WG within a week. More days, if further technical reports need to be obtained example- water quality reports, topographic survey results etc.

**Step 4: Consultation and Finalisation of the Assessment Report**

- The HLP WG shall compile the final report and call a meeting.

<sup>2</sup> The Aqel is a typically male official or an elder who resides in the local neighbourhood and plays a role in the local administration. The Aqel is recognised by the Local Governance Law (2000) as a provider of dispute resolution services and their attestation is formally accepted.

<sup>3</sup> Each level of the tribal structure is represented by a sheikh. The sheikh is usually a wealthy and generous tribesman with a thorough knowledge of customary law and the ability to solve problems and conduct mediation in their tribe/community and sub-district level. He can be formally elected by his fellow tribesmen or simply acknowledged as a shaykh by virtue of his prestige and influence.

<sup>4</sup> Dhaman sheikh are the highest level of customary authority and can have jurisdiction over both district and sub-district levels. Their main role is to represent their tribal group in relationships with other tribes, as well as to oversee the other shaykh of their tribe.

- The MCLS Team and ExU or SCMCHA Focal Points shall discuss and jointly endorse the report with the final classification and recommendation of the land.

## MULTI-CLUSTER LAND SUITABILITY ASSESSMENT (MCLS) FORM

### 1. ASSESSMENT TEAM

Team member, name and position	<input type="checkbox"/> CCCM	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Shelter	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Protection	
	<input type="checkbox"/> HLP	
	<input type="checkbox"/> WASH	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
Date of Assessment		
Final report prepared by		

### 2. KEY PLANNING FIGURES

Number of IDPs	<input type="checkbox"/> Individuals _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Households _____
Name of the current IDP Hosting Site	
Address of the IDP Hosting Site District, Sub-district, Village	

Note: If IDPs are being relocated from more than one site, you can add an additional table on the form.

### 3. LOCATION

Land/Site Name		
Governorate		
Address of the Land District, Sub-district, Village		
GPS Coordinates (min four or multiple points depending on the shape)		
Geography	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Peri-Urban	<input type="checkbox"/> Semi-Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Rural

### 4. LAND

#### 4.1 Landowner

Responsible: HLP WG

Criteria	Input	Source of information
Status of the Land	<input type="checkbox"/> State Land ( <i>Aradi al dawla</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> State Public Land <input type="checkbox"/> State Private Land <input type="checkbox"/> Private (Milk Khas or Mulk) <input type="checkbox"/> Religious Endowment Land ( <i>Aradi Waqf</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> Communal Land <input type="checkbox"/> Unclear Land (Unsuitable) <input type="checkbox"/> Disputed Land (Unsuitable)	- KII with the landowner and community representatives
The Landowner	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Business/Company <input type="checkbox"/> Government, <input type="checkbox"/> Other, _____  The exact name _____	

<b>Address of the Landowner/Representative</b> District, Sub-district, Village		
<b>Contact Details</b> Mobile, Phone/Email		
<b>Does the landowner live on the proposed land?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Close/adjacent to it	
<b>Verification of the Legal Identity of the Landowner or Representative of the Landowner if private or government entity</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> National ID Card (Old and New) <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary ID card <input type="checkbox"/> Family Card <input type="checkbox"/> Passport <input type="checkbox"/> Driving license <input type="checkbox"/> Election card <input type="checkbox"/> Attestation Letter from the Aqel or Aqel al-hara <input type="checkbox"/> None	
<b>Verification of Legal Identity is</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Clear <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Unclear (Unsuitable)</b>	

#### 4.2 Land Ownership

Responsible: HLP WG

Criteria	Input	Source of information
<b>Land Ownership or Tenure Documentation</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Title Deeds ( <i>Basira</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> Land Inheritance Certificate ( <i>Fasl</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> Land Lease Agreements ( <i>Waraqat Eyjar</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> Customary Documentation <input type="checkbox"/> Attestation Letter from the Amin <input type="checkbox"/> Others, please specify _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>None (Unsuitable)</b>	- KII with the landowner and community representatives
<b>Clear Land Ownership Documentation</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No (Unsuitable)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Unclear	
<b>Type of Land Ownership</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual Ownership <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Ownership (Joint)*  *If there is multiple ownership, get the name and details of all the owners and permission from all.	
<b>Currently, any land disputes on the land?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes (Unsuitable)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know/unclear	

#### 4.3 Permission of Activities on the Land from the Landowner

Responsible: HLP WG

Criteria	Input	Source of information
<b>Permission to allocate land to the IDPs</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No (Unsuitable)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Maybe <input type="checkbox"/> Others, please specify _____	- KII with the landowner, get their agreement for each of the activities and also their conditions on allocating the land.
<b>If yes, for how long (duration)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Years _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Months _____	

	<input type="checkbox"/> Till the end of the conflict	
<b>Permission for</b> Tick as relevant	<b>Site development work</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Leveling, earthworks, <input type="checkbox"/> Access roads, <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage <b>Shelter</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Enhanced Emergency Shelter <input type="checkbox"/> Transitional Shelter <input type="checkbox"/> Durable Permanent Shelter (bricks/cement/foundation) <b>WASH</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Use of the existing water source on the land <input type="checkbox"/> Use or rehabilitate borewell <input type="checkbox"/> Construct / rehabilitate overhead water tanks <input type="checkbox"/> Use, construct/rehabilitate water piping and water points <input type="checkbox"/> Construct/rehabilitate latrines (pit latrine/flush toilet) <b>Education</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Child-Friendly Spaces <input type="checkbox"/> Schools <input type="checkbox"/> Others, _____	
<b>Conditions set by the Landowner</b>	Note: Most landowners have conditions like the agencies must provide improve their water supply system or set up solar panels and make them available to the HC as well.	

#### 4.4 Physical Characteristics of the Land

Responsible: Shelter/NFI and CCCM Cluster

Criteria	Input	Source of information
<b>Size</b> The total surface area of the proposed land parcel	_____ (m <sup>2</sup> )	- Physical assessment based on transect walks. - GPS device.
<b>Clear Boundary</b> Are there clear boundary markers around the proposed land parcel? Is the proposed parcel easy to identify?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please note what below <input type="checkbox"/> No _____ (Fencing, stones, pillars, trees etc.)	
<b>Current Land Use</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Empty <input type="checkbox"/> Crops <input type="checkbox"/> Housing <input type="checkbox"/> Others, please specify _____	
<b>Nearest landmarks to the Land</b> Example empty land, mosque, road, host community settlement, another IDP settlement etc	<input type="checkbox"/> North _____ <input type="checkbox"/> South _____ <input type="checkbox"/> East _____ <input type="checkbox"/> West _____	
<b>Contiguous Land</b> The land adjoining the proposed land parcel	<input type="checkbox"/> North _____ <input type="checkbox"/> South _____ <input type="checkbox"/> East _____	- KII with the landowner and community representatives

<p>(360*) is owned by whom?</p> <p>Note if it is owned by :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The same landowner</li> <li>- Another private owner</li> <li>- Government,</li> <li>- Other,</li> <li>- Unclear</li> </ul> <p>And specify the name</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> West _____	
<p><b>Vegetation</b> Are there any trees and vegetation on the land?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please note what below <input type="checkbox"/> No, barren land  _____ (Small bush, medium-sized trees, high trees like acacia, date palm, dwarf shrubs etc., please highlight the density of trees.	<p>- Physical assessment based on transect walks.</p>
<p><b>White Termite</b> Is there a risk of white termites in the area? Are the wood materials affected by white termite?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please note what below <input type="checkbox"/> No, there is no white termite in the area  _____ (is it a severe effect, how long do the wood materials last etc.)	

**Sketch of the Land**

Please sketch the map and note all the physical attributes and landmarks, in the four corners.

Criteria	Input	Source of information
<p><b>Topography and Drainage</b> What is the topographic slope percentage of the land?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Flat (0-2%) <input type="checkbox"/> Ideal (2-4%) <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate (4-6%) <input type="checkbox"/> Steep (6-10%) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Severe over 10% (Unsuitable)</b>	<p>- Physical assessment - Total Station, GPS device.</p>
<p><b>Hazards (Landmines, UXO)</b></p>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes, please note details below (Unsuitable)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<p>- KII with the landowner and community representatives</p>

<p>Presence of any landmines or UXO currently on the land or the adjoining land/village (within a 30km radius)?</p>	<p>If yes, how long ago</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Less than one year</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Between one and two years</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> More than two years</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> More than three years</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>- Confirmation with Mine Action AoR and YEMAC.</p>
<p>If not, do you know if the area was previously surveyed and cleared for landmines or UXO? When was the last landmine, UXO-related incident on the land?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please note the details below</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Don't know</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Date _____</p>	
<p><b>Climatic Condition</b> What is the climate of the area?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Hot and humid (west coast)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Temperate with seasonal monsoon (western mountain area)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hot, dry and harsh (east)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p>	<p>- Physical assessment</p>
<p><b>Hazards (Natural Disaster)</b> Is the land at risk of severe hazards/natural disasters</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>- Physical assessment</p> <p>- KII with the landowner and community representatives</p> <p>- Confirmation with REACH Hazard mapping</p>
<p>If yes, what kinds? Tick all relevant Please provide details of the frequency and severity.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> High rainfall</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Flash flooding</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Landslides</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Soil erosions</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Earthquakes<sup>5</sup></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Volcanic activity<sup>6</sup></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Drought</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> High winds</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Deforestation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Water contamination</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Others _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	

#### 4.5 Quality of the Land

Responsible: Shelter/NFI and CCCM Cluster

<sup>5</sup> Western and southern portions of Yemen are located in the seismically active zone between the Arabian and African tectonic plates, at risk from earthquakes.

<sup>6</sup> Yemen forms the southwest corner of the Arabian Peninsula and is located at the triple junction between 3 rifts: Gulf of Aden, the Red Sea and the Eastern African Rift. This is one of the most active tectonic plate boundaries. Yemen has 11 volcanoes.

Criteria	Input	Source of information
<b>Soil Condition</b> What is the condition of the soil on the land?	<input type="checkbox"/> Sand (easy drainage) <input type="checkbox"/> Rock (impermeable soil) <input type="checkbox"/> Clay <input type="checkbox"/> Silt <input type="checkbox"/> Gravel <input type="checkbox"/> Others _____	- Physical assessment
Is the soil permeable?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Drainage</b> What are the drainage patterns on the land?	<input type="checkbox"/> Dendritic <input type="checkbox"/> Trellis <input type="checkbox"/> Rectangular <input type="checkbox"/> Radial <input type="checkbox"/> Others _____	
Is the site or part of it located in the way of flood during rainy season?	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No  Please, clarify _____	
Is there stagnant water within the site during rainy season?	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No  Please, clarify _____	

### Land Criteria Classification

Land	
HLP: Landowner, Land Ownership	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable
Physical characteristics of the land	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable
Land Capacity	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable
Quality of Land	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable

## 5. LAND CAPACITY

### 5.1 Land/Site Capacity

Responsible: Shelter/NFI and CCCM Cluster

Criteria	Input	Source of information
<b>Size</b> The total surface area of the proposed land parcel	_____ (m <sup>2</sup> )	- Physical assessment - GPS device.

<b>Total usable area</b>	_____ (m <sup>2</sup> )	
<b>The absorption capacity of the land*</b>  *The minimum usable surface area is 45m <sup>2</sup> per person in camp-type. But more as the potential for expansion (kitchen garden/ livestock/ livelihood)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shelter Units _____ <input type="checkbox"/> HH/individual _____  _____	
<b>Requirement for land earth improvement work, levelling</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please elaborate below <input type="checkbox"/> No  _____	
<b>Foreseen Environmental Impact</b> How will the settlement of the IDPs impact the environment in the area? e.g. is any deforestation necessary etc	_____	

### Sketch of Land/Site Capacity

Please sketch the map and note the usable area, areas needing earthworks, causing environmental degradation etc.

## 6. WASH

### Water Source/ Sanitation

Responsible: WASH Cluster

#### 6.1 Water Source

Criteria	Input	Source of information
Is there any water source available on the land? <sup>7</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	- Physical assessment

<sup>7</sup> Standards 15 litres per person per day, people should not spend more than 30 minutes getting water. One latrine per 20 persons

	<input type="checkbox"/> No	- KII with the landowner and community representatives
If yes, what is the source type?	<input type="checkbox"/> Public water supply line <input type="checkbox"/> Private water supply line <input type="checkbox"/> Wells <input type="checkbox"/> Springs <input type="checkbox"/> Water trucking <input type="checkbox"/> None (No water source)	
What is the depth of the water table?	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 3m below the ground level <input type="checkbox"/> More than 3m below the ground level  How much? _____	
Is water available year-round?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Nature of the water source</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface water <input type="checkbox"/> Protected well <input type="checkbox"/> Un-protected well, <input type="checkbox"/> Water Supply Networks (public/private)	
If the source is from the Water Supply Network	<input type="checkbox"/> Pipe diameter (in inches) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> # of hours the water is available Per day _____ Per week _____ This will help calculate the capacity of storage required.	
What is the water source capacity? (Connection capacity / can take the increase or not)	<input type="checkbox"/> Pumping rate of ___ litres per hour <input type="checkbox"/> Total pumping hours per day/week _____ For example: 0.5 litres for 10 Hours/day produces 18,000 litres for 900 people.	
Approximate distance to the nearest water source	_____	
<b>Quality of the Water</b> Ask the people in the nearby community how the water tastes and their perception of the water. Later on, additional Water Quality Testing should be done.	<input type="checkbox"/> Fit for human consumption <input type="checkbox"/> Unfit for human consumption	
Permission from the owner to use the existing water source on the land?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
What actions are required to connect the IDPs to the water source if permitted?	<input type="checkbox"/> Extension pipe of ___ inches diameter to the water points <input type="checkbox"/> Submersible Pump <input type="checkbox"/> Well protection <input type="checkbox"/> Others _____	

<b>If there is no water source nearby, what options for water collection for water trucking?</b>		
Distance of the water trucking filling point to the proposed land (in metres)		
Description of the road to the water filling source	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt <input type="checkbox"/> Dirt road <input type="checkbox"/> Bumpy <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy terrain <input type="checkbox"/> Others, _____	
<b>Is the water available for free?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If charged, how much in YER? _____	

## 6.2 Sanitation

Criteria	Input	Source of information
<b>Permission from the owner to construct latrines?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Physical assessment</li> <li>- KII with the landowner and community representatives</li> </ul>
<b>Requirements (Numbers)</b>	Number of IDP individuals being relocated _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Latrines _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Water Taps _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Water Quantity (litres) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Refuse Pit (m3) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Garbage Bin (100 litres) _____	

## WASH Criteria Classification

WASH	
Water source	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable
Water quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable
Sanitation	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable

## 7. ACCESSIBILITY AND BASIC SERVICES

### 7.1 Accessibility and Basic Services

Responsible: CCCM Cluster

Criteria	Input	Source of information
<b>Is the land accessible (including by large vehicles)?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Physical assessment</li> <li>- KII with the landowner and community representatives</li> </ul>
If yes, what type of access?	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt road	

	<input type="checkbox"/> Dirt road <input type="checkbox"/> Others _____
<b>Distance to the main road?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Travel distance is more than 7kms <input type="checkbox"/> _____kms _____ mins
<b>Access to public/private transport?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, how _____ <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Distance from the existing IDP Site</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Travel distance is more than 7kms <input type="checkbox"/> _____kms _____ mins
<b>Distance to the nearest village</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Name of the village _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Travel distance is more than 7kms <input type="checkbox"/> _____kms _____ mins
<b>Distance to the nearest market/commercial centre</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Name of the market/commercial centre _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Travel distance is more than 7kms <input type="checkbox"/> _____kms _____ mins
<b>Distance to the nearest functioning health facility</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Name of health facility _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Type of health facilities _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Capacity (# of doctors/beds) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Travel distance is more than 7kms <input type="checkbox"/> _____kms _____ mins
<b>Distance to the nearest functioning education facility</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Name of education facility _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Type of education facility _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Tertiary <input type="checkbox"/> Secondary <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Others _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Capacity _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Travel distance is more than 7kms <input type="checkbox"/> _____kms _____ mins
<b>Access to electricity or energy source fo cooking and firewood?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ <input type="checkbox"/> No  If yes, what is the source _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____kms _____ mins  Please, clarify the cooking fire practices (wood – gas bottles - ...) _____
<b>Access to livelihood opportunities</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, <input type="checkbox"/> No  If yes, what type of livelihood opportunities, which sector/activities? _____  <input type="checkbox"/> Accessed by walking , how many _____ mins <input type="checkbox"/> Accessed by transportation , how many _____ mins

Are the livelihood opportunities commensurate with the IDP's past jobs (would they be qualified to work in the shops/places nearby based on their past work experience)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, <input type="checkbox"/> No  <hr/>	

**Accessibility and Basic Services Criteria Classification**

Accessibility and Basic Services	
Road access and public transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable
Proximity to the nearest village/market and livelihood opportunities	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable
Proximity to health facilities	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable
Proximity to education facilities	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable
Access to electricity, energy source for cooking, lighting	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable

**8. PROTECTION**

**Responsible:** Protection Cluster

**8.1 Characteristics of the IDPs being relocated**

Criteria	Input	Source of information
<b>What is composition of the IDP community?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Same tribe _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Different tribes _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Muhamasheen minority <input type="checkbox"/> Others, please specify _____	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Physical assessment</li> <li>- KII with the IDPs and IDP community representatives</li> </ul>
<b>Conflict</b> Probe to understand if IDP groups who do not get along well with each other might be considered for relocation to the same site because this might cause tensions in the new site.  If a different part of the site or an adjacent site hosts IDPs – understand where do these IDPs come from originally?  Are the two IDP communities different in terms of origin? For example: is		

one community from the Muhamasheen while the other is not?		
Have the IDPs been included in the discussion on their potential relocation already? If so, in what way?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

**8.2 Protection Risk: IDP- Host Community Relationship (Social Cohesion)**

Criteria	Input	Source of information
<p><b>Is the Host Community (HC) in or surrounding the proposed land aware of the assessment and plans for potential allocation of the land for IDP?</b></p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  Specify who is the HC _____	- KII with the host community representatives
<p>If yes, do they have any concerns with the potential relocation of IDPs to the land?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, please elaborate below <input type="checkbox"/> No  _____ _____	
<p>What are the HC's existing (negative) preconceptions of IDPs?  Probe to understand if they think that the IDPs are trouble makers/transmitters of COVID-19 or endangering the HC's security and safety</p> <p>What are their specific concerns?</p>	_____ _____	
<p>Would they reconsider if their concerns were addressed?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<p>What specific suggestions do they have to make the relocation acceptable to them?</p> <p>Probe to understand if HC's suggestions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- support the integration of the IDPs into the surrounding HC (positive/constructive, e.g. suggestion to establish coordination committees with HC and IDP members)</li> <li>or if they are aimed at separating the IDPs from the HC (negative/destructive), which would undermine integration efforts and contribute to further isolating the IDPs (e.g. through walls, fences etc.)</li> </ul>		

**Protection Risk: Security**

Criteria	Input	Source of information
Are there any security risk that can affect IDPs?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	- Physical assessment - KII with the host community representatives
If yes, please clarify		

**General considerations related to the relocation:**

Criteria	Input	Source of information
Relocation should be the last resort considered. Have all viable alternatives for relocation been considered?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	- KII with the IDPs and IDP community representatives
For both yes/no, please specify which solutions have been explored already.		

**Protection Criteria Classification**

Protection	
Acceptance by the neighbouring host community	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable <input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable <input type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable
Security Risks	<input type="checkbox"/> Suitable <input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Suitable <input type="checkbox"/> Unsuitable

**9. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Estimate of the Activities/Investment required by the Cluster/Government/Landowner**

Group	Activities	Unit Costs	Total
Landowner			
Ex U			
CCCM			
Shelter/NFI			
WASH			
Protection			
Education			
Health			
FSAC			
<b>TOTAL</b>			

**Recommendations on the suitability of the land for allocation to the IDPs**

Suitable*	
Moderately Suitable	The land has limitations. Note all the limitations based on each criterion. It can be suitable based on certain land improvement activities.

<b>Unsuitable</b>	<p>The land has severe limitations.  Note all the limitations based on each criterion.</p> <p>It is not fit for the settlement of the IDP households. It is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Currently not suitable or</li> <li>▪ Permanently not suitable</li> </ul>
<b>Land Improvements Required</b>	<p>Note all the land improvement activities that need to be conducted, depending on the available technical and financial resources.</p> <p>Note the amount of investments required.</p>
<p>*The land can be classified as suitable in its present condition or after a number of land improvements are made as a recommendation.</p>	

**Signed:**

<b>Team member and name</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> CCCM	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Shelter	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Protection	
	<input type="checkbox"/> HLP	
	<input type="checkbox"/> WASH	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
<b>Date</b>		

<b>Team member and name</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	
<b>Date</b>		