



Minutes of meeting of the Shelter Sector Grand Bahama (SSGB) (ESF3&6)

Date	1 November 2019
Venue	C.A. Smith Building
Time	9h – 10h am
Present	Caritas / CRS ; GBPA ; GER3 ; IFRC ; IRIS Relief / URA ; NEMA GB ; Salvation Army ; Samaritan's Purse (SP) ; SBP ; Qualfast construction ; Team Rubicon (TR) ; UNICEF
Chair	Chair : GB Port Authority (GBPA) , Ministry of Public Works (MoPW) Co-chair : Sahdia Khan – Shelter Sector co-coordinator
Next meeting	Friday 20191108; 9h @HQ GB Port Authority

Items shared with these minutes

- Annex 1 : Agenda of the meeting ;
- Annex 2 : Minimum mandatory inspection list (MoPW) ;
- Annex 3 : List of qualified construction individuals and their skill / contacts (Department of Labour) ;
- Annex 4 : GBPA certified electrician (GBPA) ;
- Annex 5 : Template 3W (who does what, where) to be filled out by partners by Tuesday November 5th.

Actions	Responsible	timeline	Update
Point 4 : Programme succinct reminder of humanitarian principles	IFRC	20191108	IFRC is willing to conduct a small presentation during the next meeting.
Point 1 : Develop a simplified guide for inspection process in line with the Building Code.	MoPW	DONE	A one-page is already existing - > will be shared
Point 2 : TR is demobilising and wants to pass on some cases of households they have identified (primarily muck outs & roof tarps).	TR / SP / IRIS relief	DONE	SP and IRIS relief can potentially take over those cases. The 3 partners will discuss this among them.
(20191101) Identify the areas where actors work or intend to work to start allocating the activities on a map for entire GB. The new information manager of the Shelter Sector will support this activity. Partners can contact Thuong on im.bahamas@sheltercluster.org – if needed.	Coordination SSGB / all partners	20191105	3W has been discussed during this meeting and sent out for partners to inform.
(20191025) Sharing : Rapid Assessment : How far was the Surge ? (GBPA / Nema)	GBPA		Internal approval required before sharing.
Set-up technical working group (TWiG) to address specific technical and process related issues.	Technical working group (TWiG)		Two (interlinked) TWiGs are proposed : sharing lessons learnt on most occurring technical issues (electrical, structural, etc.) ; design support process in affected areas.
Weekly update the group on progress of Social Services Assessment and Property Evaluation.	Representative of Social Services	Continuous	



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General observation : Coordinate with all Authorities NEMA, Social Services, GBPA, Ministry of Public Works.	Coordination SSGB	Continuous	
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0. General observations

Social Services excused themselves.

1. Updates

MoPW : MoPW is expediting demolition permits in view of the great need.

Understanding that reconstruction / rehabilitation processes need to be simplified within the framework of the Bahamian Building code. Temporary shelter solutions need to be found for households while they are being supported for reconstruction of their house.

Understanding of new challenges in building : for instance water pressure was main issue during the hurricane. Integrate that aspect within new design.

There is need for more manpower to address the scale of reconstruction / rehabilitation : MoPW is scaling up licensing of contractors and encouraging the current licensed contractor to return to GB.

-> **Action** : Share minimum mandatory inspection list.

GBPA : Scope of work for Engineers Without Borders is being defined.

Main issues with electrical installations were shared. Chief among them :

- neutralising salt in conduits ;
- getting rid of standing water inside of conduits.

-> **Action** : Share list of skilled / semi-skilled workers coming from Ministry of Labour.

Share / Address main technical issues (electric, structural, plumbing, etc. related) in a TWiG.

2. Partners have the floor

TR announced they are demobilising. They have outstanding cases.

- > **Action** : SP and IRIS relief can potentially take over those cases. The 3 partners will discuss this among them to hand over these cases properly.

3. Follow-up previous action points

- > **Action** : TWiG should be initiated. Potential tasks of this group : define process of intervention, minimal & minor repair, major repair, temporary shelter (what, in which situation), what are the major challenges in terms of reconstruction / rehabilitation of homes (sharing of knowledge), what material are allowed (in case of international purchase) etc.

4. AOB

The Shelter Sector has a dedicated information manager Thuong (im.bahamas@sheltercluster.org). She will start with supporting the development of a 3W.