

MEETING NAME	ETHIOPIA EMERGENCY SHELTER AND NFI CLUSTER COORDINATION MEETING		
DATE OF MEETING	25 March 2022	TIME	1000hrs
MINUTES PREPARED BY	ES/NFI Cluster	LOCATION	Virtual

Attendees

Present:

Agenda

1. Action points from the previous meeting
2. The EN/NFI Cluster Response Progress
3. Highlights of the CCCM and ES/NFI Cluster Visit to North Wello and Waghimra Zones
4. ES/NFI Cluster Humanitarian Situation Update
5. SAG Elections
6. AOB
 - a. Project Upload (Q&A)
 - b. TWiG

Agenda and notes. Decisions, issues

1.Action points from the previous meeting	No	Action Points	Responsible	Status
	1	Partners to liaise with the Cluster before intervention to avoid duplication	Partners	Ongoing
2	Partners who have or are planning to divert resources to other regions, please communicate to either sub-national or the national Cluster	Partners	Ongoing	
2.The ES/NFI Cluster Response Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The overall response as of February 2022 is at 7%, which is almost about 300K beneficiaries • In terms of response at the regional level, Amhara Region is highest with 129K beneficiaries, followed by Tigray, Oromia, and SNNP regions with 53,470, 39,268 and 36,900 beneficiaries, respectively. • 79% of beneficiaries have been reached with ES/NFI and NFI whilst 13% were reached with ES support and 8% with Repair kits. • To date, the Cluster has received about 20% of the required USD 142M, based on the planned, ongoing and completed projects from the 5Ws report. • 34 partners have carried out the activities; that is, 2 UN agencies, 11 National NGOs, and International NGOs • The Cluster is facing challenges in reporting of 5Ws, stock, and pipeline reports. There is inconsistencies and delayed reporting from partners. Partners have also been encouraged to report 5Ws using the Report hub. The Cluster remains available to provide training on the Reporthub to partners that are lack training. • Very little progress was reported in February by partners. 			
	Partners that require training on Report hub to send the request to the Cluster with names of focal points			Partners

<p>3.Highlights of the CCCM and ES/NFI Cluster Visit to North Wello and Waghimra Zones</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Waghimra, IDPs were displaced from Zata, Korem, and Arbegele and are mainly concentrated in Sekota and Ziquala. 1409 IDPs were moved from the collective centers to a new site called Wolleh. Between 60-75 people are staying in one tent. The situation of IDPs, both in collective centers and relocated, is dire and requires an immediate response. There is overcrowding a shortage of NFIs in the collective centers in Sekota town. • The government is planning to relocate all IDPs to Wolleh, although there is no capacity and essential services to host more IDPs • In North Wello, 58,000 IDPs were registered from Raya Bala, Raya Alamata, Raya Kobo and Alamat. The government has started relocating the IDPs in Kobo to the Jara site. The Jara site was a construction camp later used as a military camp during the conflict. There is concern that they may be a high possibility of UXOs at the site. To date, 8,000 IDPs have been moved to the Jara site. With only four rub halls installed at the site, each with a capacity of 90 IDPs, shelter is not adequate for the relocated IDPs. There are also plans to relocate all the 22,000 IDPs in collective centers and then the remaining 58,000 to the host communities in Kobo • Site plans for Jara and Wolleh sites are being developed by the CCCM Cluster and will be shared with partners. There is a need to advocate for a phase-based approach to the relocations. The Cluster is also working on the mobilization of resources for both sites.
	<p>SWAN has planned to respond with Cash for rent for 400 households in Sekota. They also plans to provide 40 communal shelters in Sekota, Ziquala and Jara sites. SWAN will also distribute CRI for 1000 sites in Ziquala and Wolleh sites.</p> <p>IOM is planning to construct 250 communal shelters for 1500 households</p> <p>IOM/RRF plans to distribute 2000 NFI kits and 2400 households with communal shelter. For Waghimra RRF has already distributed 2000 NFI kits in Sekota town and will 2000 kits in Ziquala.</p> <p>UNHCR a plan to construct 200 communal shelters in Jara site. UNHCR will support Emergency Shelter and NFI in Sekota after the scoping mission that is currently underway.</p>
<p>4.ES/NFI humanitarian situation update</p>	<p>Tigray</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New displacements continue to occur across all Tigra zones from the West, Afar, and Amhara. ES/NFI response remains limited due to limited stock on the ground. The IDPs in host communities are joining collective sites in significant numbers. The Cluster is working on rental support through partners. • With authorities planning to open schools, there is a need to speed up the construction of relocation sites. Constructions at Mai dimu and Silekleka have started whilst Adi Abay remains pending. There are discussions on the expansion of Sebacare 4, but this has remained pending due to a lack of resources. • There is a scabies outbreak in Shire and Mekelle, highlighting the need to distribute and replenish NFI kits but currently, no stock is available. Also, with the rainy season approaching, there is a need for preparedness activities on anticipated damages to existing shelters. • Two rounds of returns have taken place in Mekelle whilst arrangements are being planned for Shire and Axum. In addition, partners have distributed repair kits and works are ongoing on the establishment of the Durable Solutions Working Group. • As food is currently the deciding factor for IDPs and returnees, NFI kits and CRIs are being sold in markets for food. • Preparations for the use of the 30-day window on use of Abala route for transportation of ES/NFI stock are underway, and efforts remain ongoing on airlifting of certain stock

Neighboring approach

- IOM is piloting the Neighbouring Approach project in Tigray. The pilot project will target 300 households in host communities.
- The intention survey was developed to seek consent from the beneficiaries and the host families. FDGs were also conducted. A preliminary analysis focusing on shelter was conducted, and the results were used to develop different interests for the IDPs.
- The results from the analysis were
 - Expansion of existing structures (25%)
 - Renovation of buildings (45%)
 - Rehabilitation of existing buildings (30%)
- Based on the scenarios, kits development followed.

Challenges

- Security continues to be one of the biggest challenges in Shire, Sheraro and Adwa
- There is also a cashflow issue affecting the response
- Airlifting has seen limitations on some material types
- Limited ES/NFI stocks in Tigray Region
- There is a decline in response activities in the region, putting IDPs and host communities in a dire situation
- Tarpaulins distributed last year are damaged and need replenishing
- Lack of detailed data on returns for planning and implementation of activities

Key asks

- Utilizations of the opportunities to use road corridor window and airlifting of ES/NFI stock
- Continuation of shelter construction at new relocation sites
- To plan for Emergency Shelter construction in upcoming projects
- Plan for shelter maintenance and repairs considering the upcoming rainy season
- To plan for rental assistance and neighboring approach for IDPs in host communities
- To plan for shelter repair kits for returnees
- Maintaining strong communication with the Cluster team in Tigray and having regular information flow.

Afar

- There are 706,422 People In Need in the region, with 360,258 targeted by the Cluster. 268,474 of the targeted are IDPs, while 3,112 are returnees and 88,672 people are generally non-displaced.
- 13 partners are operating in Afar; 2 UN agencies, three national NGOs and 8 International NGOs.
- In terms of responses, 43% of the targeted 156,351 people have been reached in Awsi/Zone 1, whilst 17% of the targeted 239,199 have been reached in Kibati/Zone 2 and 17% of the targeted 91,398 people have been reached in Hari/Zone 5. Only 2% of 94,670 people in Fanti/Zone 4 have been reached so far. Despite the improvement in the security situation and large-scale returnee movement in the region, the ongoing conflicts in the northern part of the region, and hostilities in the Oromia Region, humanitarian needs continue to increase.
- In Zone 2, conflict is escalating to all woredas, with many people experiencing displacements for the second or third time. Currently, Damaale site is inaccessible due to the conflict. There are a total of 336K sites in 17 sites. Due to inaccessibility, partners are responding in only a few woredas of the Zone. Priority woredas in Zone 2 are Afdera, Berahile, Dalol, Erebt, Kori, and Megale
- IOM, AISDA, ANE, and NRC, among other partners, are responding in the different zones in Afar region.

	<p><u>Oromia</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Wellega, the conflict has affected all the woredas of the 4 Wellega zones. To date, 425,420 people have been displaced. The humanitarian situation has deteriorated and dire living conditions are reported. There is a huge need in the Wellegas, but the funding is very limited. Huge assets loss has been reported and the ZDRMOs are collecting the data • 85,000 IDPs have been reported in West Showa due to conflict within the 18 woredas. There is a need to launch a joint field mission to monitor the situation and plan for humanitarian responses. However, there is no response planned yet. • In East Bale, a drought crisis resulted in 17,817 IDPs being displaced with Dawe Serer woreda. • West Guji has been affected by both drought and conflict, resulting in 126,571 IDPs in 9 woredas of the Zone. • 13 woredas in Borena Zone have been affected by the drought situation. There is a huge gap in ES/NFI in all the woredas. There is no ES/NFI response in the Zone. • In East Hararge, all IDPs living in the 3 sites in Chanaksen are living in sub-standard conditions. UNHCR/ANE are providing shelter support in Chanaksen, Mayu, and Kumbi woredas. IRC is providing support in 4 woredas of the Zone. <p><u>Challenges</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are difficulties in having official IDP and Damage and Loss Assessment data within the region • Lack of prepositioned ES/NFI kits to immediately respond to the need due to the crisis • Unpredictable security situation in West, Central, and Southern parts of the region • Unmet ES/NFI needs in almost all affected locations of Oromia region.
<p>5.Strategic Advisory Group Election (SAG)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to lack of participation of some members of the SAG and the need to increase the number of National partners, the Cluster requested for applications from members to join the SAG. • The agenda sought to elect new additional members of SAG by partners from the partners of the existing 5 members (UNHCR, NRC, COOPI, CRS, and ANE). • The applications were open to all organizations, UN agencies, and National and International NGOs. • 4 new organizations were to be selected, 2 INGOs and 2 NGOs. • For international NGOs, nominations came from People to People USA, ZOA, GOAL, SCI, CARE, and Christian Aid whilst from National NGOs; nominations were received from ASDEPO, DPO, and OWSDF. • For National NGOs, DPO and ASDEPO were elected members of the SAG, having received 68% and 31% of the votes, respectively • For international NGOs, ZOA and CARE were also elected members of the SAG, having received 33% and 24% of the votes.
<p>6.AOB</p> <p>a. Project Upload</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This was an update on the ongoing Project Module upload by partners • Funding would be linked to this exercise • Partners are recommended to add both new and funded projects for the year 2022, according to the HRP. • The Project to include IDPs, Returnees and the General non-displaced population • The costing for projects includes everything, including administrative and operational costs

b. TWIG

- The Technical Working Group (TWiG) to look at the standard ESNFI kit was activated.
- Partners are encouraged to join the TWiG
- The Group meets once every week for close to one hour and is held virtually.
- The consolidated list had the following members
 - Kalkidan Getahun, UNHCR
 - Moges Abebe, Caritas Switzerland
 - Fitsum Beyene, Dorcas AID
 - Silas Omondi, UNHCR
 - Misgana Wolderufael, IRC
 - Haregewoin Bekele, UN Habitat
 - Tofik Delil, ANE
 - Mesfin Gizaw, People In Need
 - Hewan Tibebe, FIDO
 - Astakie Fitsum, SWAN
 - Andualem Yilma, IRC
 - Tesfaye Diro, IOM
 - Biruk Alemayehu, World Vision
 - Yared Gutema, COOPI
 - Eyob Iisfawossen, NRCAlemu Solomon, ZOA

NEXT MEETING – 29 April 2022