



SNFI CLUSTER MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Date: July 06, 2023

Time: 2:00 – 3:30 PM

Venue: OCHA Conference Room

AGENDA

1. Self-introduction
2. Review of the action points
3. Cluster update
 - National Cluster update
 - RRF update
 - Pipeline update
4. Partner update
5. AoB and Closure

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AGENDA 1: INTRODUCTION

The meeting chaired by the Cluster Coordinator started at 2.00 pm with a round of introduction.

AGENDA 2: REVIEW OF ACTION POINTS

	Action point	Who?	Progress
01	Develop a response plan/guideline for the Sudan Crisis	National CC	ICCG decision on this was shared with partners
02	Expression interest for the Roving Coordinator and SFPs position deadline	HRP partners	Done and results will be shared soon
03	Follow up with OCHA on the possibility of entering the backdated data	IM	NC to follow up

AGENDA 3: CLUSTER UPDATES

a) National Cluster

- **HPC and HRP 2023-24:** This is rolling out soon. This week, a workshop for all the coordinators was organized to discuss and agree on the different methodologies and approaches to be employed.

Indications: We will have a shorter HPC process than the usual one to allow proper planning by partners and time to fundraise for resources. More details will be shared as they become available, and OCHA will organize training for all partners who are willing to apply for HRP.

- **HRP vs HPC partners:** There is an ongoing effort to deviate from calling partners 'HRP but HPC Partners'. HRP only talks about partners who have projects accepted into the system by the Cluster. This excludes all the other partners who do not have accepted projects yet are doing shelter-related work or any other cluster-related work. HPC covers basically the entire program cycle for humanitarian.
- **Reminder of the SFP and Roving Coordinator adverts:** The Cluster sent out emails to partners regarding expressing interest in the different roles. The Cluster has received several responses and will finalize the selection process very soon, keeping the partners in the loop. To this effect and for transparency of the selection process, an online survey was sent out to the partners to vote for their preferred candidate for the Roving Coordinator. You are all requested to vote for your candidate based on capacity to do the job, not friendly terms.
- **PSEA issues flagged:** Recently, there have been increased reported PSEA cases. As humanitarian partners, everyone is responsible for acting professionally and responsibly in all our operations, especially how we interact with the communities we serve. Remember, we all signed up to the PSEA guidelines that we must adhere to. A request is to remind ourselves and flag off PSEA in any discussion continuously.
- **Global CCPM results:** The Cluster sent an online survey to the partners to assess the SNFI Cluster performance. Analysis of the results (done at the HQ) indicates that globally, South Sudan was second best in participation after Afghanistan among all the Clusters that participated in the survey. Preliminary results show South Sudan scored well in many areas (above 80%). Only preparedness scored less than (76.6%) - an area where we need to focus more and see how we do better regardless of the challenges we face in the country. We need to develop an action plan for the areas (Cluster roles) and see how we improve and serve the Cluster better.
- **Global shelter week in Geneva:** The Coordinators participated in the one-week meeting organized by the Global Shelter Cluster held in Geneva. Key highlights of the meeting: a) The impact of shelter cluster interventions on the environment and the need to devise mitigation measures to reduce the



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carbon print and environmental destruction. The message is that we need to plan for environmental protection right from the beginning, not from the end (the entire programme cycle). b) There was also a lot of emphasis on the Nexus Approach going forward. Basically, how do we integrate humanitarianism with development? c) Discussions on durable solutions because we should be starting to step towards achieving durable shelters – facilitate people to achieve or adopt sustainable solutions with the intervention of the humanitarian assistance we are currently providing. Partners are encouraged to share any ideas that they could have on durable solutions in the shelter programming. Going forward, we also need to strongly coordinate with donors (both humanitarian and development partners). **Action:** we need to initiate a technical working group on durable solutions.

- **Sudan crisis update:** There is a planned technical working group meeting tomorrow, and most of the information shall be shared.

b) RRF Update

See the presentation below.



RRF PRESENTATION
- FUNDING MECHANISM

AGENDA 4: PARTNERS' UPDATES

Central Equatoria

- PAH completed the SNFI responses in Kajo Keji reaching out to 1733. The distribution report is to be shared in a week's time.

Lakes

- No update

Eastern

- No update

Upper Nile

- IOM responded with in-kind distribution in Malakal, reaching out to 1500 people with plastic sheets, rubber ropes, and mosquito Nets.
- IOM, with partners ADA and HDC, distributed cash to 2,000 people. A PDM is planned in the coming weeks.
- **Update from the SFP:** In Malakal, there have been SNFI responses in Merut, Bailet, POC, Malakal town, and Kodak.
- In Renk, it is a different approach that will be discussed further in the Sudan Crisis TWG
- IOM, UNHCR, SLI, and HDC are implementing SNFI activities in Merut.
- DRC static and MRT teams have SNFI interventions, mainly constructing 50 emergency shelters in Bailet and 36 in Kodak, with 60 in process under the UNHCR-funded project targeting Kodak IDPs settled close to UNMISS - people isolated and exposed to the effect of the rainy season approaching.
- **General gaps:** Because of the anticipated rains, the caseload is high, and security threats still remain a big risk, with rumors in and around the Malakal, Bailet, and Fashoda because of recent inter-conflict.
- NRC in Renk is constructing communal shelters. Six of them are complete, with one remaining but to be completed soon.
- NCA –WASH update
- Caritas South Sudan conducted a rapid assessment in June 2023 and used the data for fundraising through the RRF mechanism. Caritas has received funds to respond in Renk and Wau (550 hhs-NFI, 500hhs for food, and 300hhs transportation from Renk to Wau)

Western Equatoria

- YEDA has completed the distribution of SNFIs to 1522 IDP hhs in ezo, Central, and Pagidi payams
- WV completed distribution to 478 hhs in Ezo and is planning to distribute cash next week, targeting 477 hhs.



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- WV is planning a PDM in Ezo and Tambura next week (if any partner is interested in joining WV, please inform the Cluster).
- Situation in Mundri; YEDA Executive Director, who is in the area, reported that herds of cattle crossed from Kajo Keji County into Mundri West last month, destroying residents' properties (fields and beehives). They are well armed, and the County Governor asked them to move, but they are not willing likely to trigger conflict. YEDA has informed OCHA about this, and we are waiting to see more updates about the situation and if there is any need to respond.
- **Observation:** During in-kind distribution in Ezo's different locations, the pipeline items, specifically the kitchen sets, had issues that need to be rectified, particularly changes in packaging.
 - **Action point:** Pipeline to send a reminder about the kitchen set.
 - IOM is planning for the cash distribution in Nagero under SSHF probably next week, with each HH receiving \$54 sectoral cash.
 - **Reminder:** For any partner with SSHF ending next month, please check your numbers, timelines, and activities to ensure you complete the project in time. Always difficult to get a no-cost extension approved.

Jonglei State

- PAH completed training of community committees to supervise the CVA implementation and protection mainstreaming training in Boma.
- PAH is in the process of registering participants for CVAs.
- In Pibor, PAH completed market-based analysis and advertising for the vendors for the CVA. **Observation:** This process is taking a long and PAH is advised to seek support from the Cash Working Group or IOM (cash specialist)
- In Lukongole, PAH has completed a PDM, and a report to be shared soon
- In Pigi Canal, PAH team has been deployed to conduct assessments in Dier, Atar, and Koturus locations that previously has access challenges.
- IOM is implementing cash distribution and distributed tokens in Pibor, though experiencing challenges with service providers. Hopefully, by next week, these issues shall be sorted.

Warrap

- CCOSS implemented CBI responding to 2720 hhs in Twic under the SSHF.
- In Twic, CCOSS with IOM served 1906 hhs with cash (MPCA), and IOM is also targeting 1100 households with sectoral cash equivalent of \$54. A PDM report shall be shared in the coming week.
- Trust Guarantee: Completed RRF project reaching 2000 hhs with SNFIs in Tonj North. PDM is planned in the coming weeks.

Abyei Administrative Area

- CCOSS has distributed cash/MPCA to 2147 hhs (3 hhs did not turn up). PDM is planned for next week.

Northern Bahr el Ghazal

- CCOSS and IOM responded to 3674 hhs with MPCA under the CERF and PDM planned within the coming 3 weeks.
- There is a meeting held by OCHA considering one of the areas to be considered as a camp. This information needs to be confirmed before we escalate it to ICCG.

Unity State

- HRSS completed the RRF project, reaching 2000 hhs
- IOM responded in Rotriak, targeting 680 hhs
- NRC responded to 674hhs in Rotriak, and there is an ongoing registration of 1,550 hhs



Pipeline update

- Prepositioned items in Malakal. Two batches departed Juba and are expected to arrive in Malakal in the next few days.
- Another batch departed this morning to Malakal.
- Planning for other shipments tomorrow to boost pipeline supplies.
- Pibor is still faced with access challenges related to the road condition hampering the movement of supplies, an issue that is being addressed to the logistics cluster for support.
- Pipeline appeals to timely submitting all the outstanding distribution reports. These are very useful in terms of funding and accountability, as well as for donor reporting purposes.
- The need to prioritize sending supplies to Yambio because once they get locked out because of the rains, we will struggle, and it will be costly to do so.

AGENDA 5: AOB

- **5W reporting:** Reminder to submit 5W for June 2023 in the system. In case of any challenges, liaise with the Cluster IMO (Makeen) for support.
- **FT reporting:** If you have a pending SSHF grant that is ending in the next coming months, please check your numbers, achievements, and timelines to ensure you remain on course.
- **Sudan Crisis TWG meeting:** The TWG members will meet in the IOM conference room tomorrow.
- **OWG meeting:** Scheduled for Thursday next week.
- **Pending reports:** Reminder to partners to submit all the pending reports (distribution and PDM).

SUMMARY OF THE ACTION POINTS

	Action point	Who?	When?
01	Send out a message about the changes in the packaging of the kitchen sets.	Pipeline	Immediately
02	Initiate/establish a TWG on durable solutions	National Cluster	End of July
03	Have other partners join the PDM exercise	Partners	Encouraged

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