

Rakhine NFI Cluster Coordination Meeting

Minutes

Date: 17 September 2014

Time: 15.00 hrs

Venue: UNHCR Office, Sittwe, Rakhine State

Participants: UNHCR CCCM / NFI, LWF, AGE & MAUK (10 pax. in total)

Agenda item	Discussion	Action/Actor	Due date
1. Introductions	The meeting was opened by NFI Cluster Coordinator, who welcomed MAUK who attended the meeting for the first time.		
2. Actions from previous minutes			
Meeting with WaSH Cluster Lead	Meeting with WaSH Cluster Lead for the sanitary kits/items in Yangon warehouse was held on 11 September, 2014. Other WaSH partners, like CDN and SI also interested in the donation of sanitary kits items from UNHCR. Having the sanitary kits distributed by WaSH partners also means they will include hygiene promotion messages (including appropriate disposal) when distributed.	Action closed	
Meeting with Security Minister	Meeting held with Security Minister 8 September, in which he again mentioned a list of vulnerable Rakhine households who could receive individual items. However, government has yet to share any such list of households. NFI distributions remain on hold.		
NFI Strategy	Suggestions given by partners for NFI strategy document were well-received and preparing document is on-going by NFI Cluster Lead. Cluster also received information from Yangon office about NFI strategy in Kachin, where they are also changing from a blanket distribution. This can help inform the Rakhine NFI strategy.		
Longyis as income-	LWF shared their idea to have IDPs make clothes as a form of income. MAUK also has a plan to provide sewing		

generating idea	training to women IDPs in 6 camps, both Rakhine and Muslim IDP camps. The locations were not confirmed, yet. They need to discuss with their counter-part RRD. RRD will decide the location.	MAUK & LWF will have separate meeting/specific discussion	
Assistance cards in camps	Different agencies (such as MRF, WFP, SI & LWF) distributed assistance cards in the camps. The cards include information such as names of beneficiaries, date of distribution, name of camps, distribution agencies. There are problems with many different cards such as overlap in distribution, and potential fraud. LWF advised that since LWF introduced their assistance cards into the camps that they manage some of the other agencies have stopped distributing theirs. However, this needs to be keenly monitored.	All agencies; a matrix of camps with card types to be developed. Cluster Lead will put information together. Plus Cluster partners to send what they know about <i>their</i> camps	
3. Other issues			
a. AGE	AGE confirmed NFI (including children's clothes and school uniform) and additional food distributions were finished, except Nget Chaung IDP camp. AGE mentioned the difficulties of distribution in Nget Chaung IDP camp because of house hold and population differences. They are still discussing with Camp Committees.		
b. MAUK	It was the first time for MAUK to attend the NFI Cluster meeting. They first explained their activities in the camps such as shelters construction, distribution of emergency relief items, complementary food (rice, chili, cooking husk) distribution, NFI distribution (clothes, mosquito nets, longyis, students uniforms), health service provision in collaboration with Mercy Malaysia, hospital/clinic renovation and futures plans for livelihood (clothes making by IDPs). They shared their ideas with partners and asked for suggestions for clients. They have plans to provide sewing training to female IDPs (see above). Plus they mentioned their ideas for agriculture and education promotion for IDPs and host communities.		
7. AOB	n/a		
8. Next meeting	Next meeting will be in 2 weeks' time, same time. 3pm, UNHCR meeting room, 1 October 2014.		