

### **Introduction and review of previous action points**

- Deputy Governor of Mudug region has welcomed the participants in the opening statement along with introductions. The agenda of the meeting was adopted and action points of the previous meeting minutes were reviewed.

### **Brief update from the authority on relocation of IDPs.**

- Deputy Governor informed participants that the relocation of the drought displaced people to a permanent settlement is a directive from the Puntland ministry of interior in collaboration with the authorities in Gaalkacyo. The IDP settlements of drought displaced are temporary, spontaneous and scattered. The challenges from the landlords of private lands and gate keepers become recurrent and unmanageable. This has resulted in increased IDP settlements due to split and evictions.
- The relocation will assist IDPs to acquire permanent land and relief challenges from the gate keepers.
- There is a need of close collaboration between humanitarian partners and authorities for the resettlement exercise. Government is securing permanent site of size 3x1km, some 3km behind the prison.
- Deputy Governor advises partners to provide long time interventions to the IDPs with permanent settlements but not to those in temporary sites. Deputy Mayor also reiterated the same and noted that there is a need of effective cooperation and commitment for the exercise. Relocation exercise will take place within period of three months from this date.

### **Formation of task force for the resettlement.**

- Establishment of task force has been discussed and formed. The Task force members comprise authorities and humanitarian agencies. Thirteen humanitarian partners confirmed to be part of the task force, comprising UNHCR, UNICEF, OCHA, NRC, SCI, DRC, RI, IRC, SRCS, TASS, PMWDO, GECPD, and DRDO. Government Agencies include- MoI, Office of Governor, and Local authority, MoH, MOWSFA and MoE.
- Task force members will commence drafting the TOR and strategies for the exercise with guidance and support from the protection cluster. The task force is led by the Government and co-chaired by the protection cluster.

### **Issues of concern impacting on relocation.**

- Partners have raised concern over the impact of relocation on the existed facilities in the temporary IDPs settlements that may affect the relocation. Authorities have been advised the exercise to be voluntary and coherent.
- It is emphasized that the resettlement may raise expectation among the IDPs with regard to the durable assistance.
- Authorities have been advised to ensure prevent fake IDPs from the host community that may join the new permanent site during the exercise. Limited sources from the humanitarian partners may have impact on the exercise.
- Humanitarians estimate that the relocation will affect over 17,000 drought displaced people in more than 14 temporary IDP settlements in north Gaalkacyo. The settlements were reportedly established between December 2016 and July 2017.
- The nutrition situation among IDPs in Gaalkacyo is critical, according to the FSNAU 2017 post *Deyr* nutrition assessment. The survey recorded a 21.8 percent GAM and 4.8 percent SAM, while in June 2017 the GAM and SAM prevalence were 21.6 percent and 4.1percent, respectively.
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### **Action points and recommendations**

1. Authorities to ensure IDPs relocation exercise to be coherent and voluntary in closely collaboration with the task force.
2. Protection cluster to come up with approach and guidelines on the exercise as well as frequent advises to the task force.
3. Clusters and humanitarian partners to mobile resources to the IDPs affecting the relocation.
4. Task force members to draft TOR and develop relocation strategies with support and guidance from protection cluster. Members will meet on Sunday 25 February at the local authority office in north Gaalkayo. The meeting will focus on drafting the TOR.

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