

## WASH Sector Minutes of Meeting

Meeting Location	Teams online call	Meeting Date	2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2021
Chair and Co-chair	Benjamin Smith	Meeting Time	11:00 pm - 1:30 pm
Note-taker	Samira Smairat [UNHCR Inter-Agency Coordination Associate]		
Attendance	UNICEF, UNHCR, ICMC, NRC, ACF, RHAS, World Vision, TDH Italy, INWARDAM, FAO, SDC, GIZ, Mercy Corps, RHAS		
Purpose of Meeting	WASH Sector Monthly Meeting		
Next Meeting	(Date TBC)		

### Agenda Items

Item	Action points	Focal Point / Organization
1	<b>Agenda Announcements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gender focal point to be nominated</li> <li>- Age and Disability focal point to be nominated</li> <li>- OCHA call for proposals update</li> </ul>	Sector Chair, Benjamin Smith; Samira Smairat
2	<b>JRP Planning and Reporting</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o 2021 JRP status</li> <li>o 2021 JRP Reporting process (PSS matrices)</li> </ul>	Sector Chair, Benjamin Smith; Samira Smairat
3	<b>WASH in HCFs assessment presentation- Postponed</b>	
4	<b>WASH Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Camps, Schools, ITSS, Development (TOR finalization)</li> </ul>	Benjamin Smith Samira Smairat, UNICEF, and Partners
5	<b>AOB</b>	Sector chair and Partners

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<b>Action Points</b>	
1. Introduction and Review of Action Points from the previous meeting, announcements	
<b>Sector Chair [UNICEF]</b>  <b>Announcements</b>	<p>WASH Sector Chair Mr. Ben Introduced the Agenda of the meeting and welcomed the Participants. The Agenda of the third WASH Sector virtual meeting for 2021 was focused on the COVID-19 pandemic, JRP, and reporting on ActivityInfo 2021 data.</p> <p>WASH Sector update Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACF WASH needs Assessment, and their support for Mask support.</li> <li>• FAO Bio -Gas – Solid Waste Management project and</li> <li>• Borda Environmental Health.</li> </ul> <p><b>Action Point on previous Announcement:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interested partners to share with the sector chair the nominations of two focal point per organization to join the DA Sub - working group. No nomination yet for DA and one nomination for SGFPN – Pearl Von Heard from Help Organization. Sector chair confirmed her nomination.</li> <li>• OCHA Call for Proposals: OCHA call for proposal –launched in May June 2021.The allocation will prioritize two sectors: (1) Health and (2) Child Protection.</li> </ul>
<b>Action points:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sector Chair to send the nomination of Ms. Pear Von Heard from Help Int to represent WASH in addition to Ms. Eshraq.</li> </ul>
2. JRP Planning and Reporting	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 2021 JRP status</li> <li>○ 2021 JRP Reporting process (PSS matrices)</li> </ul>	
<b>2021 JRP status</b>  <b>2021 JRP Reporting process (PSS matrices)</b>	<p><b>Update on the JRP</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Samira from IACU-UNHCR informed participants that the PLAN data was reported by Ali (IMO) on behalf of partners who have appeals under JRP. Two training sessions were conducted for all partners on the monitoring data system during May. Samira encouraged partners to report on monitoring data as the database is still open and will be closing soon on 10<sup>th</sup> of June 2021. Data is very important for multiple purposes including producing regional reports and to report on the FTS gaps and advocate for underfunded projects.</li> </ul> <p>Partners can seek the support of Samira and Naseem in case faced any technical problem with ActivityInfo .</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Another training session was conducted on Service advisor which is a very useful tool to share information on Who is doing what where and What. The information is updated by partner at regular bases and managed by UNCH (IM) team.</li> <li>• Sector Matrices and regional indicators were updated, completed and ready for reporting purposes.</li> </ul>
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<b>Action Points</b>	<b>Partner to report on Monitoring data as the monitoring data is still open and will be closing soon by 10<sup>th</sup> of June 2021</b>
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### 3. WASH Update

<p><b>WASH-Sub-Working group</b></p> <p><b>WASH in Camps WG</b></p>	<p><b>WASH in Camps COVID-19 update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Himalaya Gautam (UNICEF) who is chairing the WASH coordination in Za’atari and Azraq camps, provided an update on the Camps. As per the government announcement the camps will be open slowly and gradually. Waiting for SRAD and the camps management for the opening advice and instructions.</li> <li>• For the year 2021, WASH sector will face more shortage of water in the kingdom and in the camps. Boreholes are declining and the demand is higher) during the hot Summer. We must rely more on external water trucking to fulfil the demand in (Zatari and Azraq) through summer.</li> <li>• WASH situation in all camps so far is normal. In terms of Covid-19; We don’t have too many cases and work is continuing on WASH supply in the isolation and transit areas.</li> <li>• Progress on registration for the vaccine is very good, around 8000 people have registered in Azraq and nearly half of them (around 4408) vaccinated with first dose. Out of that 555 received a second dose and people are still enrolling. In Za’atari 12007 of which 2309 received the second dose.</li> </ul> <p>Samira from UNHCR provided a general overview on the vaccine status:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More than two million and two hundred thousand people registered (Syrian and Jordanian) for the Vaccine on the MOH platform <a href="http://www.vaccine.jo">www.vaccine.jo</a>, since the beginning of vaccination. 15 % of total registered were among age group of 60 +.</li> <li>• Gender distribution of confirmed cases :49% Female and 51% Male.</li> <li>• One million and eight hundred thousand have been vaccinated as per 26 May out of them 481,000 received two doses.</li> </ul> <p>In general people encouraged more to register to receive the vaccine, MOH opened new vaccine centers in addition to the drive-thru services and increased the number of vaccination teams. As per MOH policy, those who have been registered don’t need to wait to receive appointments, they can receive at schools, workplace and universities where MOH deployed their teams to do the vaccinations. Around 87 % of registered teachers have been vaccinated; the plan is to complete all university/school, teachers, medical staff and other critical staff before the summer closure from 15 June. The planned target to reach for vaccination is 100,000 people per day.</p>
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**Discussion:**

- ACF asked if there is a water table monitoring system in Azraq and Zatari camps . Any awareness activities on water conservation?.

Himalaya, answered, yes there is a monitoring system in all camps and Ben added, regarding the awareness activities on water conservation, we already engaged the local community volunteer in awareness activities:

- INWARDAM: Asked about sustainability of water supply in camps (In Azraq Water availability is higher than Za'atari)

Sector Chair updated the participants on the operation in the camps, UNICEF is working closely with WAJ to meet the water demand. In wintertime boreholes meets the demand while in Summer time, the demand increase with 55- 60 L per person/day and the borehole can't meet the demand, the deficit is covered by external water trucking.

Sustainability of water supply in Za'atari is the same issue facing the whole northern region and a concern. There were several studies and discussions presented in different fora (HPF, HDPGs etc..) and discussed in the sector meetings. The main water aquifers supplying the country are declining more than 2 meters per year in some areas. For camps we are tracking the water level and have data on that. The long-term strategy is to work on Humanitarian Development projects Nexus, to secure a new water resources to supply Za'atari, UNICEF is working with WAJ to find sustainable water resources.

Community mobilization -UNICEF engaged local community volunteers and their role is:

- To promote water conversation
- Covi-19 response
- Hygiene promotion and
- Community accountability

**The** critical challenge is the scarcity of water at the kingdom level.

- **World Vision** is planning to do Needs Assessment for latrines in Azraq Camp.

**WASH updates:****KAP**

- UNICEF is Providing water supply regularly.

### **WASH in Institutions and Schools**

Mark from UNICEF provided an update on WASH for schools: UNICEF is working on new strategic direction, calibrating WASH in schools with focus on hard pillars:

1. Improve linkages to climate change vulnerability,
2. Include Vulnerable communities
3. Promoting Social inclusive
4. Promote national solutions for WASH in Schools
5. Improve linkages to Youth.

- Reem from GIZ updated the participants on the WASH awareness videos, they are in the process of developing videos for all WASH content to be prepared for the next academic year.
- They have participated in the Back to school Committee Meeting was held at the MOE on 1<sup>st</sup> June. They discussed that all schools shall be ready for accepting the students, and to start working on the projects to be ready before 19<sup>th</sup> August 2021.
- Eng. Ahmad from **Mercy Corps** provide an update on their WASH projects: in Next few months they have a planned project with the Royal Scientific Society On Water Harvesting Tanks, and small decentralized waste water treatments plants in 25 schools in Jerash, Ajloun, Irbid and Mafraq governorates. They started the construction two weeks ago and will continue until August,2021.

### **WASH in ITSs**

- **UNICEF** successfully implemented a pilot WASH cash transfer project and received very positive feedback from beneficiaries. Currently working on selecting house holds representatives for the second phase of the project planned in June2021
- **World Vision** WASH project in the ITSs is approved by MOPIC. But without any kind of infrastructure works. Ala'a asked for the support of UNICEF to facilitate MOPIC approval of their project.

### **WASH in Development**

- **World Vision** WASH project is approved by MOPIC, they have selected 9 schools for decentralization wastewater treatment unit. the project is implemented in collaboration with Start-up company. the project will start in Summertime to be able testing the units when students returned to schools.
- **FAO** provided an update on their project in district 12 on Waste management and Bio-Gas production, one phase is coming to an end. The Bio-Gas was built last few months and tested successfully. Several training sessions were conducted for the

	<p>government and Engineers FAO, Will move on with Capacity building research activities and their partnership with JUST university. GIZ and European Union shall move ahead with the food scale and bio-Gaz facility.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>FAO</b> is trying to demonstrate a circular economy model and to support the Solid waste management and sludge recycle to produce energy.</li> <li>• Sorting half of the waste generated in Zaatari. Composting and recycle will go for another one year.</li> <li>• <b>Mercy corps</b> is planning water harvesting and large-scale infrastructure project like Dam Rehabilitation. Two dams are coming Al-ghadeer Al-Abiad and Glap Dam to pump 1-2 million km from King Abdallh Canal to Glap Dam..</li> <li>• In collaboration with Dr. Marwan Al-Raqad, Mercy corps is working on Waster saving in the catchment in Al-Azraq area.</li> <li>• Mercy Corps Last Month completed a Health project with MOH Covid-19 , Rehabilitation of more than 15 health centers and hospitals including Al-Basheer hospital.</li> <li>• Ben commented that Mercy Corps project are outside the JRP. He requested Ali to ensure the reporting on Mercy Corps projects are included in the WASH 4Ws.</li> <li>• <b>ACF is</b> conducting a WASH Needs Assessment in Azraq camp and in Irbid region</li> <li>• Ala'a (World Vision) drafted an advocacy material to highlight the funding gap for Azraq Camp. He shared it with Himalaya and awaiting for the feedback. Himalaya suggested a bilateral meeting to discuss it further.</li> <li>• Benjamin Smith answered Ala'a's question on the 4Ws exercise; the exercise is in place and World Vision is to share their inputs with Ali Nasser.</li> </ul>
<b>Action Points</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>FAO to share materials on their project with WASH SWG.</b></li> <li>• <b>To conduct a bilateral meeting Between UNICEF and World vision to discuss it further the advocacy material to highlight the funding gap</b></li> </ul>
<b>4. AOB</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>TOR for Development Sub- work group work group is completed and circulated with the group , Al'aa and Samira to Coordinate for the first meeting and to discuss the Co-Charing</b></li> </ul>
<b>Recommendations and Actions Points</b>	
<b>Action Points</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>UNICEF to share partners with information on the monitoring of Water table in Camps</b></li> </ul>