

CHILD PROTECTION in EMERGENCIES WORKING GROUP – LEBANON

Minutes of Meeting

DATE : 08 April 2013

LOCATION : Unicef Office

CHAIR : Natacha Emerson, CPIEWG Coordinator

PARTICIPANTS: 18 organisations (22 participants)

AGENDA :

1. Introduction
2. CPIEWG Member List
3. General Update
4. RRP5
5. Meeting location and time
6. AoB

I. Introduction of CPIEWG Coordinator

- ProCap Senior Protection Officer, Natacha Emerson, has been deployed for 6 months at the request of Unicef, to support in the coordination of the child protection sector's response to the Syrian crisis. As the CPIEWG Coordinator, her tasks include:
 - Collective planning and strategy development
 - Effective use and transfer of information between members
 - Development of CP coordination tools
 - Ensure application of appropriate standards
 - Promote the use of common reporting and referral mechanisms
 - Analysis of child protection needs assessment and identification of gaps
 - Facilitate consensus on decision making
 - Joint assessments
 - Training and Capacity Building of CP actors
 - Advocacy to strengthen the CP response
 - CP mainstreaming
- Best practices for coordination – a positive attitude and active participation of members; and respect for the principles of Partnership (equality, complementarity, transparency, results-oriented & responsibility) developed by the Global Humanitarian Platform.

II. CPIEWG Member List

- Organisations were requested to update the Members List and send contact details of persons to be included in the CPIEWG mailing list.
 - ✓ Finalise CPIEWG Members List and email distribution list (CPIEWG Co)

III. General Update

- Current Situation: 403,766 registered refugees and awaiting registration (number has more than doubled since December 2012)
- GoL has authorized the establishment of one transit/reception site in Bebnine, N-Lebanon
- Education sector has reported an increase in school drop outs due to bullying and seeks CPIEWG support to address this child protection-related concern.
- RRP4 funding at 38% for Lebanon
 - ✓ CPIEWG and Education lead/co-lead to meet re: CP mainstreaming in Education (CPIEWG Co)

IV. RRP5

- The CP sector outputs for the purpose of RRP5 were revised and finalized based on submissions from members:
 1. Violations against girls and boys are prevented, monitored and addressed;
 2. Capacities of child protection actors are strengthened and existing child protection coordination mechanisms are enhanced;
 3. Unaccompanied and separated children are documented and appropriate care arrangements are promoted;
 4. Refugee and Lebanese children and their caregivers have increased access to spaces providing psychosocial support services and recreational community activities;
 5. Girls and boys are protected against the presence of landmines and UXOs.
- The RRP5 template was presented along with the timeline shared by UNHCR:
 - 6 March - 10 April : Work at sector level
 - 10 April : Sectors leads/ co-leads submit consolidated Sector drafts
 - 11- 15 April : RRP focal points consolidate Lebanon Country Chapter
 - 18 - 19 April: Draft RRP country chapter circulated to all agencies for comments after approval
 - 19-25 April: Review of country chapters at regional level
 - 28 May: Launch of RRP5 in Geneva
- Child protection variables to assess a household's economic vulnerability for the purpose of a targeted assistance approach were identified (ie. CP proxies for household poverty) :
 - Children below 15 years who have dropped out of school and are forced into child labour
 - Household with children working / informal labour
 - Household with more than 6 girls
 - Families in which a girl under 18 yrs has been married off in the past year for economic reasons
 - Household with presence of UASC / orphan
 - Child-headed household
- ✓ Members to submit proposed appeals and provide comments on RRP5 draft version to CPIEWG Coordinator (Members)
- ✓ Finalise Child Protection RRP5 (CPIEWG Co)

V. Meeting Location and Time

- CPIPEWG meetings to be held fortnightly on Mondays at 11am to accommodate for field-based members who are in Beirut over the weekends
- MoSA office in Badaro-National Museum area identified as preferred venue for CPIPEWG meetings
 - ✓ Discuss with MoSA the possibility of holding CPIPEWG meetings in MoSA main building (CPIPEWG Co)

VI. AoB

- Child Protection Syria Remote Needs Assessment – led by Unicef and supported by CPIPEWG members will be taking place in Bekaa and North Lebanon regions throughout the month of April. The CP assessment in Lebanon is to be led by Makiba Yamano from World Vision International's Global Technical Team. The remote assessment aims at identifying child protection needs and capacities of affected populations in Syria through refugee populations in the 4 countries neighbouring Syria.
 - ✓ Organisations willing to provide assessors for the CP assessment in Lebanon to contact Makiba Yamano at makiba_yamano@wvi.org or 71074210.
- Members raised concern that Syrian Refugees in Saida, South Lebanon were not able to access registration centres due to transport costs
 - ✓ Explore possibility for outreach registration in Saida (UNHCR)
- Next meeting to be held at 11am on Monday, 22 April 2013 (venue tbd)

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